

| Surface Grinder   SAFE WORK METHOD STATEMENT (SWMS)  |                |   |        |
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| TASK OR ACTIVITY: Surface Grinder  |                |   |        |
| Business Name: [Company Name]  |                | ABN: [ABN]  | SWMS#  |
| Business Address: [Company Address]  |                |   |        |
| Contact Person:  | Phone: [Phone] | Email:  |        |
| THIS SAFE WORK METHOD STATEMENT IS APPROVED BY THE PCBU OF THE PROJECT   |                |   |        |
| Under the Work Health and Safety Regulation (WHS Regulation), a person conducting a business or undertaking (PCBU) is required to ensure that a safe work method statement (SWMS) is prepared before the proposed work starts.   |                |   |        |
| Full Name:   |                |   |        |
| Signature:   |                | Title:  | Date:  |
| Details of the person(s) responsible for ensuring implementation, monitoring and compliance of the SWMS, as well as reviews and modifications of the SWMS.   |                |   |        |
| Full Name:   |                | Title:  | Phone: |
| ALL PERSONNEL PARTICIPATING IN ANY ACTIVITY ON THIS SWMS MUST HAVE THE FOLLOWING COMMUNICATED  |                | NAME AND DATED SIGNATURE OF ALL RELEVANT PERSONNEL WHO HAVE BEEN CONSULTED AND COMMUNICATED TO IN THE DEVELOPMENT AND APPROVAL OF THIS SWMS |        |
| Safety meetings or toolbox talks will be scheduled in accordance with legislative requirements to first identify any site hazards, then to communicate those hazards and then to further take steps to either eliminate or control each hazard.  | NAME           | SIGNATURE   | DATE   |
| If an incident or a near miss occurs, all work must stop immediately. Depending on the severity of the incident, a meeting will be called with all workers to amend the SWMS if required. The meeting may also be an educational opportunity.  |                |   |        |
| Any changes made to the SWMS after an incident or a near miss must be approved by the Person Conducting Business or Undertaking and communicated to all relevant personnel.  |                |   |        |
| The SWMS must be kept and be available for inspection at least until the work is completed. Where a SWMS is revised, all versions should be kept. If a notifiable incident occurs in relation to which the SWMS relates, then the SWMS must be kept for at least two years from the occurrence of the notifiable incident. |                |   |        |

## CLIENT OR PRINCIPAL CONTRACTOR DETAILS

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| Client:                                | SCOPE OF WORKS<br><br>Provide a detailed description of the specific work being carried out (otherwise known as scope of works). |
| Project Name:                          |  |
| Project Address:                       |  |
| Project Manager:                       |  |
| Contact Phone:                         |  |
| Project Manager Signature:             |  |
| Date SWMS supplied to Project Manager: |  |

## ANY HIGH-RISK CONSTRUCTION WORK BEING CARRIED OUT

|   |   |
|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> involves a risk of a person falling more than 2 meters.  | <input type="checkbox"/> is carried out on or near pressurised gas mains or piping.                                     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> is carried out on a telecommunication tower.   | <input type="checkbox"/> is carried out on or near chemical, fuel or refrigerant lines.                                 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> involves demolition of an element of a structure that is load-bearing.                           | <input type="checkbox"/> is carried out on or near energised electrical installations or services.                      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> involves demolition of an element related to the physical integrity of a structure.              | <input type="checkbox"/> is carried out in an area that may have a contaminated or flammable atmosphere.                |
| <input type="checkbox"/> involves, or is likely to involve, disturbing asbestos.  | <input type="checkbox"/> involves tilt-up or precast concrete.  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> involves structural alteration or repair that requires temporary support to prevent collapse.    | <input type="checkbox"/> is carried out on, in or adjacent to a road, railway, shipping lane or other traffic corridor. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> is carried out in or near a confined space.  | <input type="checkbox"/> is carried out in an area of a workplace where there is any movement of powered mobile plant.  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> is carried out in/near a shaft or trench deeper than 1.5m or tunnel involving use of explosives. | <input type="checkbox"/> is carried out in areas with artificial extremes of temperature.                               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> is carried out in or near water or other liquid that involves a risk of drowning.                | <input type="checkbox"/> involves diving work.  |

## ANY HIGH-RISK MACHINERY OR EQUIPMENT NEARBY

|                                       |                                       |   |                                    |   |  |                                  |                                     |
|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|---|------------------------------------|---|--|----------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Forklift     | <input type="checkbox"/> Crane/s      | <input type="checkbox"/> Hoist/s        | <input type="checkbox"/> Excavator | <input type="checkbox"/> Backhoe/Loader | <input type="checkbox"/> Boom Lift     | <input type="checkbox"/> EWP     | <input type="checkbox"/> Genie Lift |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Trencher     | <input type="checkbox"/> Drilling Rig | <input type="checkbox"/> Trucks         | <input type="checkbox"/> Formwork  | <input type="checkbox"/> Bobcat         | <input type="checkbox"/> Flammable Gas | <input type="checkbox"/> Fuel    | <input type="checkbox"/> Dozer      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> High Voltage | <input type="checkbox"/> Mulcher      | <input type="checkbox"/> Tilt-up Panels | <input type="checkbox"/> Roller    | <input type="checkbox"/> Scissor Lift   | <input type="checkbox"/> Tractor       | <input type="checkbox"/> Other - |                                     |

## RISK MATRIX

| LIKELIHOOD     | INSIGNIFICANT | MINOR         | MODERATE      | MAJOR      | CATASTROPHIC | SCORE          | ACTION                            | HEIRARCHY OF CONTROLS                                   |
|----------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|------------|--------------|----------------|-----------------------------------|---|
| ALMOST CERTAIN | 3<br>HIGH     | 3<br>HIGH     | 4<br>ACUTE    | 4<br>ACUTE | 4<br>ACUTE   |                |                                   | <b>Elimination</b><br>Remove the hazard.                |
| LIKELY         | 2<br>MODERATE | 3<br>HIGH     | 3<br>HIGH     | 4<br>ACUTE | 4<br>ACUTE   | 4A<br>ACUTE    | DO NOT PROCEED                    | <b>Substitution</b><br>Replace the hazard.              |
| POSSIBLE       | 1<br>LOW      | 2<br>MODERATE | 3<br>HIGH     | 4<br>ACUTE | 4<br>ACUTE   | 3H<br>HIGH     | Review before work starts.        | <b>Isolation</b><br>Isolate People from the hazard      |
| UNLIKELY       | 1<br>LOW      | 1<br>LOW      | 2<br>MODERATE | 3<br>HIGH  | 4<br>ACUTE   | 2M<br>MODERATE | Ensure control measures in place. | <b>Engineering</b><br>Isolate the hazard.               |
| RARE           | 1<br>LOW      | 1<br>LOW      | 2<br>MODERATE | 3<br>HIGH  | 3<br>HIGH    | 1L<br>LOW      | Monitor and keep records          | <b>Administrative</b><br>Change the work.<br><b>PPE</b> |

**Notes on Hierarchy of Controls:** Elimination methods are the most effective and preferred when controlling a hazard. Substitution is the second most effective method of controlling a hazard. Engineering by isolation is the third most effective, while Administrative Controls by changing the work is the fourth most effective method. PPE (Personal Protective Equipment) is the least effective method.

## PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT (PPE)

| FOOT PROTECTION  | HAND PROTECTION  | HEAD PROTECTION  | HEARING PROTECTION   | EYE PROTECTION   | RESPIRATORY PROTECTION  | FACE PROTECTION  | HIGH-VIS CLOTHING  | PROTECTIVE CLOTHING  | FALL PROTECTION  | SUN PROTECTION   | HAIR/JEWELLERY SECURED   |
|--|--|--|--|--|---|--|--|--|--|--|--|
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/>   | <input type="checkbox"/>   | <input type="checkbox"/>   | <input type="checkbox"/>   | <input type="checkbox"/>   | <input type="checkbox"/>  | <input type="checkbox"/>   | <input type="checkbox"/>   | <input type="checkbox"/>   | <input type="checkbox"/>   | <input type="checkbox"/>   | <input type="checkbox"/>   |

Select the appropriate PPE above suitable for the equipment used or the job task being performed (if applicable).

**Note:** A SWMS must be reviewed regularly to make sure it remains effective. A SWMS must be reviewed (and revised if necessary) if relevant control measures are revised. The review process should be carried out in consultation with workers (including contractors and subcontractors) who may be affected by the operation of the SWMS and their health and safety representatives who represented that work group at the workplace.

When a SWMS has been revised, the person conducting a business or undertaking must ensure all:

1. persons involved in the work are advised that a revision has been made and how they can access the revised SWMS;
2. persons who will need to change a work procedure or system as a result of the review are advised of the changes in a way that will enable them to implement their duties consistently with the revised SWMS; and,
3. workers that will be involved in the work are provided with the relevant information and instruction that will assist them to understand and implement the revised SWMS.

| JOB STEP            | POTENTIAL HAZARDS                     | IR           | CONTROL MEASURES  | RR            | RESPONSIBLE PERSON |
|---------------------|---------------------------------------|--------------|---|---------------|--------------------|
| SPECIFIC WORK STEPS | HAZARDS THAT MAY ARISE                | INITIAL RISK | SPECIFIC MEASURES TO BE PUT IN PLACE TO ELIMINATE OR CONTROL THE RISKS  | RESIDUAL RISK | NAME OF PERSON     |
| 1. Preparation      | Poor workspace layout, Inadequate PPE |              | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Ensure adequate workspace layout: Arrange the working area to provide sufficient space for workers and to avoid any obstructions while operating the surface grinder.</li> <li>- Implement proper housekeeping practices: Regularly clean and maintain the workspace to remove debris, clutter, and grease buildup that may lead to accidents.</li> <li>- Designate specific areas for storage: Create designated locations for equipment, tools, and materials to ensure they are not scattered around the workspace, potentially causing a safety hazard.</li> <li>- Demarcate work zones: Clearly mark the work area to help prevent unauthorised or untrained personnel from accidentally entering it, which can lead to accidents or injuries.</li> <li>- Train employees on safe operation of surface grinders: Properly train all workers involved in this task on the safe use, maintenance, and emergency procedures of the surface grinder to minimise the risk of accidents.</li> <li>- Wear appropriate PPE: Require workers to wear suitable personal protective equipment (PPE) at all times, including safety goggles, gloves, ear protection, and steel-toe boots.</li> <li>- Conduct regular inspections and maintenance: Schedule routine checks of the equipment and the working area to identify and resolve potential hazards before they escalate.</li> <li>- Install guards and safety features on the surface grinder: Ensure the machine is equipped with necessary safety guards, including those around the grinding wheel and other moving parts, as well as an emergency stop button.</li> <li>- Establish emergency protocols: Develop an emergency action plan to address potential incidents, such as fires, power outages, or equipment malfunction, and make sure all workers are familiar with it.</li> <li>- Display warning signs: Post visible warning signs to remind workers of potential hazards related to the surface grinder and the importance of adhering to safety guidelines.</li> <li>- Keep up-to-date documentation: Maintain current safety data sheets (SDS) for all hazardous materials used during the grinding process and make them accessible to employees.</li> <li>- Educate employees on proper body mechanics: Train workers on how to correctly lift, push, and pull objects to avoid musculoskeletal injuries.</li> <li>- Develop a safety committee: Establish a group responsible for identifying potential hazards in the workplace, suggesting improvements, and promoting safety among employees.</li> <li>- Encourage open communication about safety concerns: Create an environment where workers feel comfortable reporting hazards or unsafe conditions without fear of retaliation, allowing for quick identification and resolution of potential risks.</li> </ul> | 1L            |                    |

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| 2. Inspection       | Electrical hazards, Unsafe guards     | 3H           | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Ensure all electrical equipment is inspected and tested regularly by a competent technician, in compliance with Australian Standards.</li> <li>- Use appropriate tools and instruments for electrical inspection, such as multimeters or voltage testers, to avoid electric shock risk.</li> <li>- Establish lockout/tagout procedures to isolate power sources before performing any maintenance work on the surface grinder.</li> <li>- Keep detailed records of routine inspections and maintain a up-to-date register of test results and repairs performed.</li> <li>- Conduct a visual inspection of the electrical cords, plugs, and connections for signs of wear or damage, replacing them if necessary.</li> <li>- Provide suitable personal protective equipment (PPE) like insulated gloves and non-conductive footwear to workers handling electrical equipment.</li> <li>- Verify that the surface grinder's guards are properly installed and functioning effectively to protect against accidental contact with the moving parts.</li> <li>- Inspect the condition of the machine's emergency stop button to ensure it is clearly visible and operational, providing immediate halt to operations in case of an emergency.</li> <li>- Safeguard moving parts such as abrasive wheel with suitable guards, ensuring they are easy to install, remove and clean without causing any obstruction to the operation.</li> <li>- Train employees on proper use and adjustment of safety guards and other protective devices, educating them about the significance of these safeguards in machinery.</li> <li>- Report any damaged or faulty equipment to the supervisor immediately and take it out of service until repaired or replaced.</li> <li>- Encourage employees to follow best practices and exercise caution when working with electrical equipment, fostering a safety-conscious culture at the workplace.</li> <li>- Conduct toolbox talk sessions on a regular basis to discuss safety procedures, updates, and notifications related to surface grinders and associated electrical hazards.</li> <li>- Follow manufacturer's guidelines and recommendations for servicing, maintenance, and adjusting the surface grinder, including any specific requirements or precautions for electrical connections and guarding systems.</li> </ul> | 2M            |                    |
| 3. Machine Setup    | Incorrect tooling, Pinch/crush points | 3H           | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Ensure that operators have received proper training in the use of surface grinders and are competent to perform the machine setup.</li> <li>- Conduct a pre-start inspection of the machine, tooling and associated equipment before commencing work to identify any potential hazards or damage.</li> </ul>  | 1L            |                    |

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|                       |                                |              | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Always follow the manufacturer's guidelines and recommendations when selecting and installing the appropriate grinding wheel for the specific material and task.</li> <li>- Maintain communication between the employees involved in the machine setup process to ensure they are aware of any changes or potential hazards.</li> <li>- Implement a lockout/tagout procedure to isolate the machine from its power source during setup and maintenance activities.</li> <li>- Use correct lifting techniques when handling heavy components or tooling, and use mechanical aids where necessary to minimise the risk of injury from manual handling tasks.</li> <li>- Establish designated pinch/crush point areas around the machine and implement exclusion zones to prevent unauthorised access as well as ensuring operators maintain a safe distance from these hazards.</li> <li>- Inspect guards and safety devices regularly to confirm they are functioning effectively and providing adequate protection against pinch and crush points.</li> <li>- Encourage workers to wear appropriate Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) such as safety glasses, steel-toed boots, gloves, and other necessary gear to minimise the risk of injury.</li> <li>- Provide regular toolbox talks, safety briefings, and ongoing refresher training to reinforce safe work practices and procedures.</li> <li>- Develop and implement Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) for machine setup, including clear instructions on how to safely handle and install grinding wheels and other tooling.</li> <li>- Implement a system for reporting and addressing any hazards, near-misses, or incidents that may occur during the machine setup process, to continuously improve workplace safety measures.</li> </ul> |               |                    |
| 4. Grinding Operation | Dust exposure, Noise pollution | 3H           | <div>[REDACTED]</div> <div>[REDACTED]</div> <div>[REDACTED]</div> <div>[REDACTED]</div>   | 2M            |                    |



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| 10. Emergency Procedures | Inadequate emergency planning, Lack of training |              | <div>1. All employees must be trained in emergency procedures.</div> <div>2. All employees must be trained in the use of fire extinguishers.</div> <div>3. All employees must be trained in the use of first aid kits.</div> <div>4. All employees must be trained in the use of spill kits.</div> <div>5. All employees must be trained in the use of gas detectors.</div> <div>6. All employees must be trained in the use of personal protective equipment (PPE).</div> <div>7. All employees must be trained in the use of emergency exits.</div> <div>8. All employees must be trained in the use of emergency communication systems.</div> <div>9. All employees must be trained in the use of emergency shut-down procedures.</div> <div>10. All employees must be trained in the use of emergency evacuation procedures.</div> | 2M            |                    |

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|                      |   |              |  |               |                    |
| 11. Housekeeping     | Trip hazards, Poor storage management   | 2M           |  | 1L            |                    |
| 12. Final Inspection | Quality control, Possible rework needed | 2M           |  | 1L            |                    |

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## EMERGENCY RESPONSE – CALL 000 FOR EMERGENCIES

Ensure to have an Emergency Management Plan in place as well as adequate numbers of trained first aid staff with easy access to fully stocked first aid kits, rescue equipment, material safety data sheets, adequate access to emergency communication equipment and fire-fighting equipment suitable for all classes of fire and ignition sources.

## LEGISLATIVE REFERENCES

RELEVANT LEGISLATION AND CODES OF PRACTICE. DELETE THE LEGISLATIVE REFERENCES IF ANY STATE THAT ARE NOT APPLICABLE

### Queensland & Australian Capital Territory

Work Health and Safety Act 2011

Work Health and Safety Regulations 2011

Legislation QLD: <https://www.worksafe.qld.gov.au/laws-and-compliance/work-health-and-safety-laws>

Codes of Practice QLD: <https://www.worksafe.qld.gov.au/laws-and-compliance/codes-of-practice>

Legislation ACT: <https://www.worksafe.act.gov.au/laws-and-compliance/acts-and-regulations>

Codes of Practice ACT: <https://www.worksafe.act.gov.au/laws-and-compliance/codes-of-practice>

### Victoria

Occupational Health and Safety Act 2004

Occupational Health and Safety Regulations 2017

Legislation VIC: <https://www.worksafe.vic.gov.au/occupational-health-and-safety-act-and-regulations>

Codes of Practice VIC: <https://www.worksafe.vic.gov.au/compliance-codes-and-codes-practice>

### New South Wales

Work Health and Safety Act 2011

Work Health and Safety Regulations 2017

Legislation NSW: <https://www.safework.nsw.gov.au/legal-obligations/legislation>

Codes of Practice NSW: <https://www.safework.nsw.gov.au/resource-library/list-codes-of-practice>

### Western Australia

Work Health and Safety Act 2020

Work Health and Safety Regulations 2022

Legislation Western Australia: <https://www.commerce.wa.gov.au/worksafe/legislation>

Codes of Practice WA: <https://www.commerce.wa.gov.au/worksafe/codes-practice>

### Northern Territory

Work Health and Safety (National Uniform Legislation) Act 2011

Work Health and Safety (National Uniform Legislation) Regulations 2011

Legislation NT: <https://worksafe.nt.gov.au/laws-and-compliance/workplace-safety-laws>

Codes of Practice NT: <https://worksafe.nt.gov.au/laws-and-compliance/codes-of-practice>

### Safe Work Australia Links

Law and Regulation (All States): <https://www.safeworkaustralia.gov.au/law-and-regulation>

Model Codes of Practice: <https://www.safeworkaustralia.gov.au/resources-publications/model-codes-of-practice>

### Model Codes of Practice

- Managing noise and preventing hearing loss at work
- Confined spaces
- Labelling of workplace hazardous chemicals
- Managing risks of hazardous chemicals in the workplace
- Welding processes
- First aid in the workplace
- Managing the risk of falls at workplaces
- Hazardous manual tasks
- Managing the risk of falls in housing construction
- Managing electrical risks in the workplace
- Demolition work
- Excavation work
- Work health and safety consultation, cooperation and coordination
- Managing the work environment and facilities
- How to manage work health and safety risks
- Managing risks of plant in the workplace
- Construction work

Details of permits, licenses or access required by regulatory bodies (add or delete as required):

- Permits from local council
- Authorisation to commence work
- Any required documents.

## SIGNATORIES OF THE SAFE WORK METHOD STATEMENT

The signed and dated personnel listed below have cooperated in the consultation and development of this Safe Work Method Statement which has been approved by the Person/s Conducting a Business or Undertaking (PCBU). In signing this Safe Work Method Statement each individual acknowledges and confirms that they have read this SWMS in full, having raised any questions for items on this Safe Work Method Statement that require clarification, and confirms that they are competent, skilled and knowledgeable for the task assigned to them. Every person acknowledges that they have received the relevant training and qualifications where required, before carrying out any work contained in this Safe Work Method Statement. By signing this Safe Work Method Statement each individual agrees to work safely, to follow any safe work instructions which are provided, and agrees to use all Personal Protective Equipment where appropriate.

| Worker Name | Position | Signature | Date  | Time | Supervisor |
|-------------|----------|-----------|-------|------|------------|
|             |          |           | Date: |      |            |
|             |          |           | Date: |      |            |
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## SAFE WORK METHOD STATEMENT MONITORING AND REVIEW

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When the SWMS has been revised the PCBU must ensure that all persons involved with the work are advised that a revision has been made and how they can access the revised SWMS, including all persons who will need to change a work procedure or system as a result of the review are advised of the changes in a way that will enable them to implement their duties consistently with the revised SWMS. All workers that will be involved in the work must be provided with the relevant information and instruction that will assist them to understand and implement the revised SWMS.

**The SWMS must be monitored regularly** for the effectiveness of ensuring hazard controls are effective in reducing the risk of incidents, keeping the workplace safe for all personnel. The person responsible for monitoring the effectiveness of the Safe Work Method Statement should employ a multi-faceted approach which includes but is not limited to:

1. Spot Checks.
2. Consultation with workers, contractors and sub-contractors.
3. Internal audits on a continual basis.

An approach of continuous improvement, promptly recording inconsistencies or deficiencies, followed up by immediate corrective action and consultation with all relevant personnel ensures that the PCBU is consistently developing ever-improving systems of safe work principles.

| REVIEW NUMBER | <input type="checkbox"/> 1 | <input type="checkbox"/> 2 | <input type="checkbox"/> 3 | <input type="checkbox"/> 4 | <input type="checkbox"/> 5 | <input type="checkbox"/> 6 | <input type="checkbox"/> 7 |
|---------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|
| NAME          |                            |                            |                            |                            |                            |                            |                            |
| INITIALS      |                            |                            |                            |                            |                            |                            |                            |
| DATE          |                            |                            |                            |                            |                            |                            |                            |

## SAFE WORK METHOD STATEMENT REVIEW CHECKLIST

This Safe Work Method Statement Review Checklist is to be followed and used upon initial development of the SWMS to help ensure that all steps have been adequately taken before work commences. Think of this document as an internal audit review checklist before commencing work, and may form part of a Toolbox Talk (safety meeting) and may be used as an opportunity for education and training.

| ITEMS WHICH MUST BE INCLUDED IN THE SWMS   | COMPLETED                | TO BE DONE               | COMMENTS |
|--|--------------------------|--------------------------|----------|
| The company details have been entered, including the project name and address.                     | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |          |
| Names and signatures of all relevant personnel consulted during the development of the SWMS.       | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |          |
| Name, signature, position and date signed of the person approving the SWMS.                        | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |          |
| Specific personnel and qualifications, experience is noted in the SWMS.                            | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |          |
| Provides a step-by-step process of tasks required to carry out the activity or task.               | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |          |
| Adequate risk assessment of any identified hazards has been completed.                             | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |          |
| Foreseeable hazards are identified and documented for each step.                                   | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |          |
| Any hazards listed in any site risk assessments have been added to the SWMS.                       | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |          |
| SWMS initial risk (IR) column as well as residual risk (RR) columns completed.                     | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |          |
| Check control measures added to the SWMS are the most effective solutions.                         | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |          |
| Responsible person is assigned and listed on the SWMS for the implementation of control measures.  | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |          |
| Permit requirements specified, such as Hot Work, Electrical Work, Work at Heights etc.             | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |          |
| SWMS identifies plant and equipment to be used.  | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |          |
| Details of inspection checks required for any equipment listed are noted on the SWMS.              | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |          |
| Describes any mandatory qualifications, experience, training, skills required to perform the work. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |          |
| Applicable personal protective equipment is selected on the SWMS.                                  | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |          |
| Lists any required permits or licenses.  | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |          |
| Reflects and documents any legislative references and/or Australian Standards.                     | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |          |
| Identifies any hazardous substances used with specific control measures in line with any SDS.      | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |          |
|  |                          |                          |          |
| REVIEWED BY  | DATE REVIEWED            |                          |          |
| SIGNATURE  | DATE COMPLETED           |                          |          |