

Treated Timber	SAFE WORK METHOD STA	TEMENT (SWMS)	
Т	ASK OR ACTIVITY: Treated Timb	er	
Business Name: [Company Name]		ABN: [ABN]	SWMS#
Business Address: [Company Address]			
Contact Person:	Phone: [Phone]	E 111:	
THIS SAFE WORK METHOD	STATEMENT IS APPROVED BY 1	THE P. OF THE PROJECT	
Under the Work Health and Safety Regulation (WHS Regulation), a person conduct the proposed work starts.	eting a business or undertaking (N=3U) is	required to ure at a safe work method s	tatement (SWMS) is prepared before
Full Name:			
Signature:		Title:	Date:
Details of the person(s) responsible for ensuring implementation, monitoring a	ompliance of the SWMS well as review	s and modifications of the SWMS.	
Full Name:		Title:	Phone:
ALL PERSONNEL PARTICIPATING IN ANY ACTIVITY ON THIS WMS. ST HAVE THE FOLLOWING COMMUNICATED	N. 1E AND DATED SIGNATURE OF A CO. MUNICATED TO IN THE DEVELO	LL RELEVANT PERSONNEL WHO HAVE BI PMENT AND APPROVAL OF THIS SWMS	EEN CONSULTED AND
Safety meetings or toolbox talks will be sched ed in accordance with egislative requirements to first identify any site hazards, conditions those hazards and then to further take steps to either the conditions of the conditions are or conditional talks.	NAME	SIGNATURE	DATE
If an incident or a near miss occurs, all work must standardly. 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.			



		CLI	ENT OR PRINCIPAL	CONTRACTOR D	ETAILS				
Client:						SCOPE OF WORKS			
Project Name:					Provide a detailed description of the specific work being carried out (otherwise				
Project Address:					known as cope of works).				
Project Manager:									
Contact Phone:									
Project Manager Sig	nature:								
Date SWMS supplie	d to Project Manager:								
		ANY HIGH-	RISK CON PUCT	N' JRK BEING	CARRIED OUT				
☐ involves a risk of a pe	erson falling more than 2 m	neters.		is carried out on or near pressurised gas mains or piping.					
is carried out on a tel	ecommunication tower.		$H \cap H$	is carried out on or near chemical, fuel or refrigerant lines.					
☐ involves demolition o	f an element of a structure	that is load-be n.		is carried out on or near energised electrical installations or services.					
☐ involves demolition o	f an element related to the	physical integrit of a str	3.	is carried out in an area that may have a contaminated or flammable atmosphere.					
☐ involves, or is likely to	o involve, disturbing a	tos.		involves tilt-up or precast concrete.					
involves structural alt	eration or repair that re	upp to p	prevent collapse.	is carried out on,	, in or adjacent to a road, railwa	ay, shipping lane or other to	raffic corridor.		
is carried out in or ne	ar a confined space.			is carried out in a	an area of a workplace where t	here is any movement of p	owered mobile plant.		
is carried out in/near	a shaft or trench deeper th	nan 1.5m or tunnel involvin	g use of explosives.	is carried out in a	areas with artificial extremes of	temperature.			
is carried out in or ne	ar water or other liquid tha	t involves a risk of drowning	ng.	☐ involves diving w	vork.				
		ANY HI	IGH-RISK MACHINER	RY OR EQUIPMEN	IT NEARBY				
Forklift	☐ Crane/s	☐ Hoist/s	☐ Excavator	☐ Backhoe/Loader	☐ Boom Lift	☐ EWP	☐ Genie Lift		
☐ Trencher	☐ Drilling Rig	☐ Trucks	Formwork	☐ Bobcat	☐ Flammable Gas	☐ Fuel	☐ Dozer		
☐ High Voltage	☐ Mulcher	☐ Tilt-up Panels	Roller	☐ Scissor Lift	☐ Tractor	Other -			





PERL NAL TECTIVE EQUIPMENT (PPE)

FOOT PROTECTION	HAND PROTECTION	HEAD PROTECTION	HEARING PPOTECTION	PROTE	SPIRATORY P STECTION	FACE PROTECTION	HIGH-VIS CLOTHING	PROTECTIVE CLOTHING	FALL PROTECTION	SUN PROTECTION	HAIR/JEWELLERY SECURED
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Select me 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	Falling objects from storage, Tripping hazards	ЗН	 Ensure proper storage of timber materials, using designated stacking areas away from walkways and work zones to reduce the risk of diling objects. Optimally organise and secure the timber horizontally to prevent movement and minimise the chance of materials falling or roung off pallets. Implement a regular inspection schedule force a storage area to identify potential hazards and mitigate them before accidents on. Use appropriate signage and harricades to restine access to refisk areas under potential falling objects to una porised personnel. Require all works appearing in a vicinity of stored amber to wear appropriate personal protes are equipment (PPresincluding of diats, high-visibility vests, and steel-toe bot. Mairon clean of uncontructed walkways by regularly cleaning and removing obstroutines like trace, cords, tools, and other tripping hazards. Implement suitate method of housekeeping to store materials in an organised mannel material it east for workers to navigate the workspace safely. Conductraining sessions for workers emphasising the importance of safe working praceses azard ventification, and reporting incidents or concerns in relation to workpace ealth and safety. Incourage frequent and clear communication among team members about positial hazard areas and develop strategies to avoid them or minimise risks. Establish a system for monitoring and confirming that safe work practices are being followed and maintained consistently by all personnel. Install proper lighting to allow for better visibility of potential hazards, including tripping hazards, especially in dim or low-light areas. Assign qualified personnel to supervise and oversee materials handling, ensuring that timber is moved and transported securely and safely. In case of abnormal loads or heavy timber materials, use mechanical lifting aids such as forklifts or cranes to minimise the risk of manual handling injuries and th	1L	
2. Material Handling	Manual lifting injuries, Cuts from sharp edges	2M	 Provide proper training on manual handling techniques to all workers involved in lifting and moving treated timber. Use appropriate personal protective equipment (PPE) such as safety gloves to protect hands from cuts, and sturdy boots to protect feet from dropped materials. 	1L	



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			 Utilise mechanical aids like dollies, trolleys, or forklifts to assist with material handling and minimise the risk of manual lifting injuries. 		
			- Store treated timber on level surfaces with adequation space, allowing workers to access and move materials safely without straining themselves.		
			- Implement a buddy system where worken theavy or the ky materials together to distribute the weight and reduce strain on an advividuo orker.		
			- Stack treated timber neatly and securely to price at it from slipping or falling, which could cause injury.		
			- Display clear signage near store areas to remind techniques and other meanings.		
			- Schedule remain breaks to worke a so the can rest and recover from any potential fatigor or strain coused by in containing tasks.		
			- Ensembat all part are aware of emergency procedures and first aid resources available site in use of an injury resulting from material handling.		
			- Cond t pendic insections and maintenance checks for both mechanical lifting aids as all a personal rotective gear to ensure their continued effectiveness and fety compliant.		
	1		- Ensura a workers to report any discomfort, pain or incidents related to material andling mediately, allowing for prompt assessment and intervention to prevent ther complications or injuries.		
			- Regularly review and update the Safe Work Method Statement (SWMS) for treated dimber material handling, taking into account any changes in procedures, equipment, or workforce requirements to continuously improve workplace safety standards.		
			- Ensure all electrical equipment is tested, tagged, and compliant with the Australian Standards (AS/NZS 3760).		
			- Set up access to sufficient numbers of power outlets to minimise the need for extension cords or power boards.		
			- Inspect all electrical cords for signs of wear, damage, or exposed wires prior to use, and remove faulty equipment from service.		
3. Equipment Setup	uipment Setup Exposed electrical wires, Improper grounding	3H	- Use Ground Fault Circuit Interrupters (GFCIs) on all portable electrical tools and equipment to prevent electric shocks.	1L	
			- Position cables and extension cords to minimise the risk of tripping, entanglement, or contact with sharp or abrasive surfaces.		
			- Ensure all work areas are adequately lit using task lighting where necessary, avoiding direct beam into eyes, glare, and shadows.		
			- Ensure employees are trained to handle electrical equipment safely and recognise potential hazards.		



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			- Establish a proper grounding system, following the guidance of licensed electrical contractors or engineers.		
			- Display signage detailing the risks associated with posed electrical wires and improper grounding near the working area.		
			- Develop and implement an emergency reconse plan in this ease of electrical accidents such as shock, electrocution, or fin		
			- Prohibit unauthorised personnel from accessing the treated time her processing area during equipment set-up to the potential exposure hazard		
			 Provide appropriate Personal stective Equipment (2) such as insulated gloves, non-conductors, an englety glasses for workers handling electrical equipment. Regularly receive and upone the SW Sepaccount for new equipment, processes, 		
			or changes in the work purronment. - Encourage an oper communication environment where workers feel comfortable reporting the ords, in lents, or concerns related to electrical safety.		
4. Cutting Timber	Noise emitting tools, Flying Lus	2M	Teponii, in the ens, of concerns related to electrical safety.	1L	



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5. Drilling Holes	Inhalation of dust, Eye injury by swarf or chips	ЗН		2M	



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6. Fastening Components	Incorrect fastener installation, Finger entrapment	2M		1L	



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7. Surface Treatment	Chemical exposure, Flammable materials	3H		1L	



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8. Application of Preservatives	Skin irritation, Eye injury due to splash s			1L	



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9. Painting/Finishing	Inhalation of toxic funds, Slippery surfaces	ЗH		1L	



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10. Assembly Process	Pinched fingers, Incorrect connectors	2M		1L	



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11. Quality Inspection	Ergonomic strain, discharge	ВH		2M	



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12. Clean Up and Disposal	Waste management hazards, Explosion risks	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. ANY STATE OF AT 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

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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/legislative

Codes of Practice NSW: https://www.safework.nsw.gov.au/resource-library/lis codes-of ractice NSW: https://www.safework.nsw.gov.au/resource-library/lis codes-of-ractice NSW

Northern Territory

Work Health and Safety (National Uniform Legislation) Act 2011

Work Health and Safety (National Uniform Legislation) Regulation 2011

Legislation NT: https://worksafe.nt.gov.au/laws-and-compliance/wo_place-syllaws

Codes of Practice NT: https://worksafe.nt.gov.au/f

South Australia

Work Health and Safety Act 2012 (SA)

Work Health and Safety Regulations 2012 (SA)

Legislation for SA: https://www.safework.sa.gov.au/resources/legislation

Codes of Practice for SA: https://www.safework.sa.gov.au/work_aces/codes-of-practice#COPs

Tasmania

Work Health and Safety Act 2012

Work Health and Safety (Transitional and Consequential Provisions) Act 2012

Work Health and Safety Regulations 2012

Work Health and Safety (Transitional) Regulations 2012

Legislation for TAS: https://worksafe.tas.gov.au/topics/laws-and-compliance/acts-and-regulations

Codes of Practice for TAS: https://worksafe.tas.gov.au/topics/laws-and-compliance/codes-of-practice

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.

Victoria

Occupational Health al. Safety Act

Occupational Health and afety gulations 2017

Legis on VIC: https://www.safe.vic.gov.au/occupational-health-and-safety-act-and-

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les on actice VI atps://www.worksafe.vic.gov.au/compliance-codes-and-codes-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

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



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	Pos	sition	Signature	Date	Time	Supe	ervisor	
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REVIEW NUMBER	□ 1	□ 2	□ 3	□ 4	□ 5	□ 6	□ 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.			
Names and signatures of all relevant personnel consulted during the development of the SWMS.		P P	
Name, signature, position and date signed of the person approving the SWMS.			
Specific personnel and qualifications, experience is noted in the SWMS.	P		
Provides a step-by-step process of tasks required to carry out the activity or task.			
Adequate risk assessment of any identified hazards has been completed.			
Foreseeable hazards are identified and documented for each step.			
Any hazards listed in any site risk assessments have been added to the SWh			
SWMS initial risk (IR) column as well as residual risk (RR) columns completed.			
Check control measures added to the SWMS are the most effecting so tions.			
Responsible person is assigned and listed on the SWMS for the imperent of continue assures.			
Permit requirements specified, such as Hot Work, Veralt Heights etc.			
SWMS identifies plant and equipment to be u d.			
Details of inspection checks required for any equipment listed are noted on the SWMS.			
Describes any mandatory qualifications, experience raining skills required to perform the work.			
Applicable personal protective equipment is selected on the SWMS.			
Lists any required permits or licenses.			
Reflects and documents any legislative references and/or Australian Standards.			
dentifies any hazardous substances used with specific control measures in line with any SDS.			
REVIEWED BY	DATE R	EVIEWED	
SIGNATURE	DATE CO	MPLETED	