

Working in Isolation	I   SAFE WORK METHOD S	TATEMENT (SWMS)	
TAS	K OR ACTIVITY: Working in Isol	ation	
Business Name: [Company Name]		ABN: [ABN]	SWMS#
Business Address: [Company Address]			
Contact Person:	Phone: [Phone]	E fil:	
THIS SAFE WORK METHOD	STATEMENT IS APPROVED BY	THE PLOOF THE PROJECT	
Under the Work Health and Safety Regulation (WHS Regulation), a person conduct the proposed work starts.	cting a business or undertaking (r 3U) is	required to turn 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	compliance 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 B 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 in those hazards and then to further take steps to either the conditions of the conditio	NAME	SIGNATURE	DATE
If an incident or a near miss occurs, all work must structurately. 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.	`	M + M	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.



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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	Trip hazards, Incorrect lifting techniques	2M	<ul> <li>Carry out a thorough hazard identification and risk assessment of the work area, focusing on potential trip hazards such as loose cable, uneven surfaces, and debris. Implement control measures such as instead cable protectors, leveling uneven surfaces, or removing debris to prevent incidents.</li> <li>Clearly mark any remaining trip hazards we high-visit by tape or signage to warn workers of the potential danger and exercise in tipe men navigating around these areas.</li> <li>Ensure that workspaces are neell-lit, allowing works to easy identify any potential hazards and significantly reduces the risk of trips and the conduct regulate ousekening to eep the workspreadlean and tidy, minimising clutter that prohead to trip in zards.</li> <li>Provide clean struction and training confikers on appropriate lifting techniques, employed the needed before a bend at the knees, maintain a straight back, and avoid twisting the needed bendered the search of th</li></ul>	1L	
2. Assess work area	Poor lighting, Path obstructions	3H	<ul> <li>Ensure that adequate lighting is provided in the workspace, with emphasis on areas where tasks are conducted, to prevent any accidents caused by poor visibility.</li> <li>Conduct regular hazard assessments of the work area throughout the day, especially during the periods of low light or changing weather conditions, and when there's a shift change.</li> <li>Implement a systematic housekeeping programme to keep the work area clean and free from clutter, ensuring unobstructed access to walking paths, emergency exits, and equipment at all times.</li> </ul>	2M	



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			- Provide signs, barriers, or temporary lighting in advance of any obstructions or hazards within the work area to alert workers and prevent accidents.		
			- If portable lighting is being used, ensure it is sectory fastened in place and provide appropriate power sources for continuous operation during work hours.		
			- Regularly review and update risk assessing its based of pedback from workers and supervisors, while implementing control asure ecordingly.		
			- Establish a clear system for communicating all otential risks or hazards among team members, so that they appromptly report a rectify and entified issues related to lighting or path obstactions.		
			- Provide ongoing work and staff about the importance of workplace safety and how identify a lavoid azards such as poor lighting and obstructions.		
			- Monitor and printain any cuminated by ge posted throughout the work area to guide trikers a red any additional risks associated with tripping hazards and other as path chages.		
			- Enco ag, pen comunication between employees and supervisors to discuss any potential encerns agarding personal safety, allowing opportunities for suggest a limp arements to be addressed promptly.		
			Prove propriate training and instructions to workers to ensure the correct setup equipment, minimising the risk of incorrect assembly and usage.		
			- duct regular inspections of the equipment before use to detect any damage, wear, or faulty connections that may lead to electrical faults or other hazards.		
			- Ensure all power sources and electrical connections are appropriately rated for the intended equipment and follow best practice guidelines during installation (e.g., no overloaded circuits, secured outlets).		
			- Incorporate a lockout/tagout procedure to prevent accidental activation and ensure equipment is powered down during the setup process.		
3. Set up equipment	Incorrect setup, Electrical fauns	2M	- Make sure personal protective equipment (PPE) is worn by workers during both the setup and operation of equipment to minimise the risks associated with various hazards.	1L	
			- Implement a permit-to-work system which defines specific conditions and rules for working in isolation, ensuring clear communication and collaboration among team members.		
			- Develop a buddy system where workers would be continuously supported and supervised by another person knowledgeable in the task and safety measures, preventing unforeseen accidents due to isolation-related factors.		
			- Test equipment for proper functionality and electrical safety before use by following predefined testing procedures, including visual inspection and using specialised tools such as multimeters.		



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			<ul> <li>Establish a well-defined procedure for reporting any detected hazards or incidents related to equipment setup and usage, fostering a culture of open communication and continuous improvement in health and safety profices.</li> </ul>		
			- Use warning signs, barriers, or caution tape and the work area to alert others to the potential hazards, ensuring a safe distance from the equipment.		
			- Perform regular maintenance on the equipment to intendry and resolve issues that may lead to hazardous situations, such as electron aults or incorrect setup.		
			- Encourage open channels communication better work a supervisors, and management to report concern observations, or report dations regarding workplace health and the ty, leaving to a safer and be a sinformed work environment.		
4. Communication plan	Miscommunication,	вн		2M	



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5. Emergency response plan	Inadequate training, Limited access to emergency resources	2M		1L	



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6. Lockout/Tagout controls	Incomplete lockout/tagout, Failure to follow procedure	4A		2M	



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7. Monitoring worker's well-being	Unaddressed health issum Fatigue	RISK	SPECIFIC MEASURES TO BE FOLIN PLACE TO ELIMINATE OR CONTROL. THE RISKS	1L	NAWE OF PERSON



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8. Ensure personal protective equipment (PPE)	Incorrect use of PF, Damaged/Poor quality PPE	2M		1L	



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9. Verify work permits	Expired/unauthorise permits, Incomplete docum tation	2M		1L	



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10. Housekeeping	Risk of slips/trips, The hazard from improper storage	ЗН		2M	



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. Conduct regular lety checks	Irregular inspections, Missed hazards	2.		1L	



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12. Debrief and review	Failure to address all issues. Improper documentation	RISK		2M	



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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.gld.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 > odes-or racti

#### **Northern Territory**

Work Health and Safety (National Uniform Legislation) Act 2011

Work Health and Safety (National Uniform Legislation) Regulation 201

Legislation NT: https://worksafe.nt.gov.au/laws-and-compliance/wo\_place-

Codes of Practice NT: https://worksafe.nt.gov.au/5

#### 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/le\_lation

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

Occ. ational Health and afety gulations 2017

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

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#### Western Australia

Work Health and Safety Act 2020

Work Health and Safety Regulations 2022

Legislation Western Australia: <a href="https://www.commerce.wa.gov.au/worksafe/legislation">https://www.commerce.wa.gov.au/worksafe/legislation</a> Codes of Practice WA: <a href="https://www.commerce.wa.gov.au/worksafe/codes-practice">https://www.commerce.wa.gov.au/worksafe/codes-practice</a>

#### 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	
				Date:				
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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	
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