

Asbestos Materials	SAFE WORK METHOD S	TATEMENT (SWMS)	
TA	SK OR ACTIVITY: Asbestos Mate	rials	
Business Name: [Company Name]		ABN: [ABN]	SWMS#
Business Address: [Company Address]			
Contact Person:	Phone: [Phone]	E gil:	
THIS SAFE WORK METHOD	STATEMENT IS APPROVED BY	THE PL OF THE PROJECT	
Under the Work Health and Safety Regulation (WHS Regulation), a person conducte proposed work starts.	cting a business or undertaking (I BU) is	required to ture at a safe work method s	statement (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	vs 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	ALL RELEVANT PERSONNEL WHO HAVE B OPMENT 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, conduct of unical those hazards and then to further take steps to either charge or control eacy hazard.	NAME	SIGNATURE	DATE
If an incident or a near miss occurs, all work must successfully. 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											
Client:					SCOPE OF WORKS						
Project Name:					Provide a detailed description of the specific work being carried out (otherwise						
Project Address:				ŀ	known as cope of works).						
Project Manager	:										
Contact Phone:											
Project Manager	Signature:										
Date SWMS sup	plied to Project Manag	er:									
		ANY HIG	H-RISK CON TUCT		ARRIED OUT						
involves a risk of	a person falling more than	2 meters.		is carried out on of	near pressurised gas main	s or piping.					
is carried out on	a telecommunication tower			is carried out on or near chemical, fuel or refrigerant lines.							
involves demoliti	on of an element of a struct	ure that is load-be		is carried out on or near energised electrical installations or services.							
involves demoliti	on of an element related to	the physical integrit of a st	ir e,	is carried out in an area that may have a contaminated or flammable atmosphere.							
involves, or is like	ely to involve, disturbing a	estos.		involves tilt-up or precast concrete.							
involves structura	al alteration or repair that re	mporan upp to	prevent collapse.	is carried out on, in or adjacent to a road, railway, shipping lane or other traffic corridor.							
☐ is carried out in c	or near a confined space.			is carried out in an area of a workplace where there is any movement of powered mobile plant.							
☐ is carried out in/r	near a shaft or trench deepe	er than 1.5m or tunnel involv	ving use of explosives.	is carried out in areas with artificial extremes of temperature.							
☐ is carried out in c	or near water or other liquid	that involves a risk of drown	ning.	involves diving wo	rk.						
		ANY	HIGH-RISK MACHINE	RY OR EQUIPMENT	NEARBY						
Forklift	Crane/s	☐ Hoist/s	Excavator	Backhoe/Loader	Boom Lift	EWP	Genie Lift				
Trencher	Drilling Rig	Trucks		Bobcat	E Flammable Gas	Fuel	Dozer				
High Voltage	Mulcher	Tilt-up Panels	Roller	Scissor Lift	Tractor	Other -					







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1. Preparation	Inhalation of airborne asbestos fibers, Skin contact with asbestos materials		 Conduct a thorough risk assessment: Prior to commencing any asbestos-related work, identify potential hazards and assess the risks insociated with the handling and disposal of asbestos materials. This sets the fundation for implementing appropriate control measures. Obtain an asbestos survey or register: Envise that an unestos survey or register is conducted by a qualified person before playing on works involving asbestos materials (ACMs) present incl workplace. Asbestos awareness training, tovide asbestos awareness training to all workers involved in activitie mean under the workplace. Asbestos awareness training, tovide asbestos awareness training to all workers involved in activitie mean under the workplace. Create a safe or k more distatement wwWS): Develop a detailed SWMS outling on the work of the special to the special associated bit hexposure and recognise the importance willowing saft. proceeves, including information on hazard identification, risk manak in it, and utrols for specific tasks related to asbestos materials. Person lip nective willowent (PPE): Ensure that workers wear appropriate PPE, such as isspole to covidils, gloves, goggles, and respiratory protection devices, to intent in correct and inhalation of airborne asbestos fibers. Enconduction of asbestos materials: Where possible, encapsulate asbestos have related to asbestos fibers. Wetting methods: Implement wetting techniques to minimise the release of asbestos fibers during the removal process. This hay involve spraying water mist, applying surfactant solutions or using specialised low-pressure washing units. Local Exhaust Ventilation (LEV): Utilise LEV systems to effectively capture and filter airborne asbestos fibers at the source, preventing them from spreading throughout the workspace. Controlled access zones: Establish designated work areas where asbestos materials are handled or removed, and restrict access to only authorised and trained pers	2М	



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2. Identification	Incorrect identification of asbestos- containing materials (ACMs), Miscommunication between team members	2М	 Develop a clear and comprehensive identification plan: Create an asbestos management plan (AMP) that incorporates details a but the exact location, type, and condition of any asbestos-containing materials (1018). Conduct thorough inspection and testing: our to any work involving potential ACMs, engage a qualified asbestos assess to conduct detailed inspection, followed by laboratory analysis to confirm the user of asbestos. Regularly update asbestos registers: Keep a up or date registendocumenting identified ACMs, their location and conditions, accussible to an workers on the site. Clear labeling of ACC Trisure at all confirmed Actes are clearly marked with warning signs on clear site of "As usotos - Do not disturb" to prevent accidental exposure. Provide adequate trainition and informent. All workers must receive regular training on a site os away one of which includes recognizing ACMs, understanding potential risks, it all as an eness of safe working procedures and emergency response protocts. Implement no test conclunication strategies: Establish strong lines of minmur ation, there are porting culture: Promote an open environment where workers feel infortable reporting culture: Promote an open environment where workers feel infortable reporting concerns relating to potential ACM contamination without fear oupercussions. Periodic assessments and reviews: Conduct regular risk assessments and revaluations of existing AMPs to ensure all control measures remain current, effective, and appropriate for changing site conditions. Engage qualified professionals for asbestos removal: Employ trained and licensed asbestos removalists to safely and effectively remove confirmed ACMs and dispose of them following the legal requirements and best practices. Emergency preparedness and response: Develop and maintain an emergency response plan that includes processes for managing incidents involving asbestos exposure, including medical monitoring, d	1L	
3. Removal Planning	Insufficient training, Lack of proper equipment	ЗН	 Conduct thorough and up-to-date asbestos removal training sessions for all workers involved, ensuring they are aware of risks associated with the task and how to safely handle and dispose of asbestos-containing materials. Verify that everyone on-site has successfully obtained relevant certifications, licenses, and permits required for asbestos removal tasks. Develop a comprehensive and site-specific Asbestos Removal Plan (ARP) addressing all possible hazards during work, including risk assessment, identification of key personnel and their roles, and an emergency response plan. 	1L	



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			- Provide appropriate personal protective equipment (PPE) for all workers, such as disposable coveralls, gloves, respiratory protection devices (RPD), and goggles, ensuring correct fitting and usage.		
			- Establish designated decontamination areas chapped with showers and changing facilities, providing clear instructions on proceeder decontamination procedures to prevent contamination outside the work area.		
			- Ensure all necessary tools and equipment us to asbestos removal are available on-site, well-maintained, and fit for purpose, including high-efficiency particulate air (HEPA) fitted vacuum cleane, and leak-tight was chags.		
			- Conduct regular instructions also pre-start checks of a machinery, tools, and PPE to ensure consist of performance. If ongoing compliance with regulations.		
			- Implement mit on the results of the short of the substantial acceleration of the short of the		
			- Implement clear strage and barriers around the asbestos removal area to restrict unauth lise ccess d educate others of potential hazards.		
	1		Sched e reg, r brienings and toolbox talks to address any concerns or issues a sing during the amoval process, encouraging open communication amongst the tean. Use were rethods and suppressed dust techniques during removal to minimise a some fibres and reduce potential exposure to asbestos.		
	G		Maintain accurate records of asbestos materials removed from the site, detailing the quantity, location, and disposal methods, ensuring that all legal requirements for disposal are met to avoid potential penalties and fines.		
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4. Establishing Work Area	Slips, trips and falls, Unmarked hazard areas	2M		1L	

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5. Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)	Improper PPE use, Damaged or inadequate PPE	ЗН		1L	

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6. Isolation	Uncontrolled access to the work area, Inadequate signage or barriers	2М		1L	



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7. Wetting ACMs	Accidental ingestion of contaminated water, Excessive moisture creating slip hazards	2M		1L	



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8. Asbestos Removal	Damage to surrounding structures, Improper packaging and labeling of waste materials	ЗН		2M	



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9. Decontamination	Cross-contamination, Insufficient decontamination procedures	ЗН		1L	



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10. Waste Disposal	Leakage of hazardous substance, Hazardous substances being mishandled	2M		1L	



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11. Air Monitoring	Failed air clearance test, Improper use of monitoring devices	ЗН		1L	



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	Incomplete or incorrect documentation,				
12. Documentation	In a small star on the service of the service start of	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.

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	REFERENCES						
RELEVANT LEGISLATION AND CODES OF PRACTICE. DELETE THE LEGISLATIVE REFERENCES. ANY STATE AT ARE NOT APPLICABLE							
Queensland & Australian Capital Territory Work Health and Safety Act 2011 Work Health and Safety Regulations 2011 Legislation QLD: <u>https://www.worksafe.qld.gov.au/laws-and-compliance/work-health-and-safety-laws</u> Codes of Practice QLD: <u>https://www.worksafe.qld.gov.au/laws-and-compliance/codes-of-practice</u> Legislation ACT: <u>https://www.worksafe.act.gov.au/laws-and-compliance/codes-of-practice</u> Codes of Practice ACT: <u>https://www.worksafe.act.gov.au/laws-and-compliance/codes-of-practice</u>	Victoria Occupational Health and Safety Actual/4 Occupational Health and Safety Actual/4 Degis from VIC: https://www.worksafe.vic.gov.au/occupational-health-and-safety-act-and- gular is Colles on vactice VICountps://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: <u>https://www.safework.nsw.gov.au/legal-obligations/legislati</u> Codes of Practice NSW: <u>https://www.safework.nsw.gov.au/resource-library/lis</u>	Western Australia Work Health and Safety Act 2020 Work Health and Safety Regulations 2022 Legislation Western Australia: <u>https://www.commerce.wa.gov.au/worksafe/legislation</u> Codes of Practice WA: <u>https://www.commerce.wa.gov.au/worksafe/codes-practice</u>						
Northern Territory Work Health and Safety (National Uniform Legislation) Act 2011 Work Health and Safety (National Uniform Legislation) Regulation 2011 Legislation NT: <u>https://worksafe.nt.gov.au/laws-and-compliance/worplace-serve-laws</u> Codes of Practice NT: <u>https://worksafe.nt.gov.au/fecture-serve-laws</u>	Safe Work Australia Links Law and Regulation (All States): <u>https://www.safeworkaustralia.gov.au/law-and-regulation</u> Model Codes of Practice: <u>https://www.safeworkaustralia.gov.au/resources-publications/model- codes-of-practice</u>						
South Australia Work Health and Safety Act 2012 (SA) Work Health and Safety Regulations 2012 (SA) Legislation for SA: <u>https://www.safework.sa.gov.au/resources/legislation</u> Codes of Practice for SA: <u>https://www.safework.sa.gov.au/wor</u> /aces/codes-of-practice#COPs	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						
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/codes-of-practice Codes of Practice for TAS: https://worksafe.tas.gov.au/topics/laws-and-compliance/codes-of-practice	 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 						
Details of permits, licenses or access required by regulatory bodies (add or delete as required): - Permits from local council - Authorisation to commence 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 						

- 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
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			Date:		

SAF WC A STHUD STATEMENT MONITORING AND REVIEW

The SWMS must be reviewed regularly to review the sure it remains revised if necessary) if relevant control measure are a conconsultation with workers (including contractors are subcontract of the SWMS and their health and safety representatives who re workplace.

ke sure it remains effective and must be reviewed (and are subcontractions) who may be affected by the operation sentatives who received that work group at the

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	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	
Name, signature, position and date signed of the person approving the SWMS.			
Specific personnel and qualifications, experience is noted in the SWMS.			
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 SWN			
SWMS initial risk (IR) column as well as residual risk (RR) columns completed.			
Check control measures added to the SWMS are the most effecting sections.			
Responsible person is assigned and listed on the SWMS for the imement of cont, measures.			
Permit requirements specified, such as Hot Wey, Electrical Work, Verat Heights etc.			
SWMS identifies plant and equipment to be up t.			
Details of inspection checks required for any equipment listed approved on the SWMS.			
Describes any mandatory qualifications, experience vaining 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.			
Identifies any hazardous substances used with specific control measures in line with any SDS.			
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