

**Bird Dropping and Bat Droppings | SAFE WORK METHOD STATEMENT (SWMS)**

**TASK OR ACTIVITY: Bird Dropping and Bat Droppings**

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**

	NAME	SIGNATURE	DATE
Safety meetings or toolbox talks will be scheduled in accordance with legislative requirements to first identify any site hazards, to conduct and communicate those hazards and then to further take steps to either eliminate or control each hazard.			
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**

Client:	SCOPE OF WORKS 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 supports 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 HIGH	3 HIGH	4 ACUTE	4 ACUTE	4 ACUTE	4A ACUTE	DO NOT PROCEED	<b>Elimination</b> Remove the hazard.
LIKELY	2 MODERATE	3 HIGH	3 HIGH	4 ACUTE	4 ACUTE	3H HIGH	Review before work starts.	<b>Substitution</b> Replace the hazard.
POSSIBLE	1 LOW	2 MODERATE	3 HIGH	4 ACUTE	4 ACUTE	2M MODERATE	Ensure control measures in place.	<b>Isolation</b> Isolate People from the hazard
UNLIKELY	1 LOW	1 LOW	2 MODERATE	3 HIGH	4 ACUTE	1L LOW	Monitor and keep records	<b>Engineering</b> Isolate the hazard.
RARE	1 LOW	1 LOW	2 MODERATE	3 HIGH	3 HIGH			<b>Administrative</b> Change the work. <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/FACE PROTECTION	RESPIRATORY PROTECTION	FACE PROTECTION	HIGH-VIS CLOTHING	PROTECTIVE CLOTHING	FALL PROTECTION	SUN PROTECTION	HAIR/JEWELLERY SECURED
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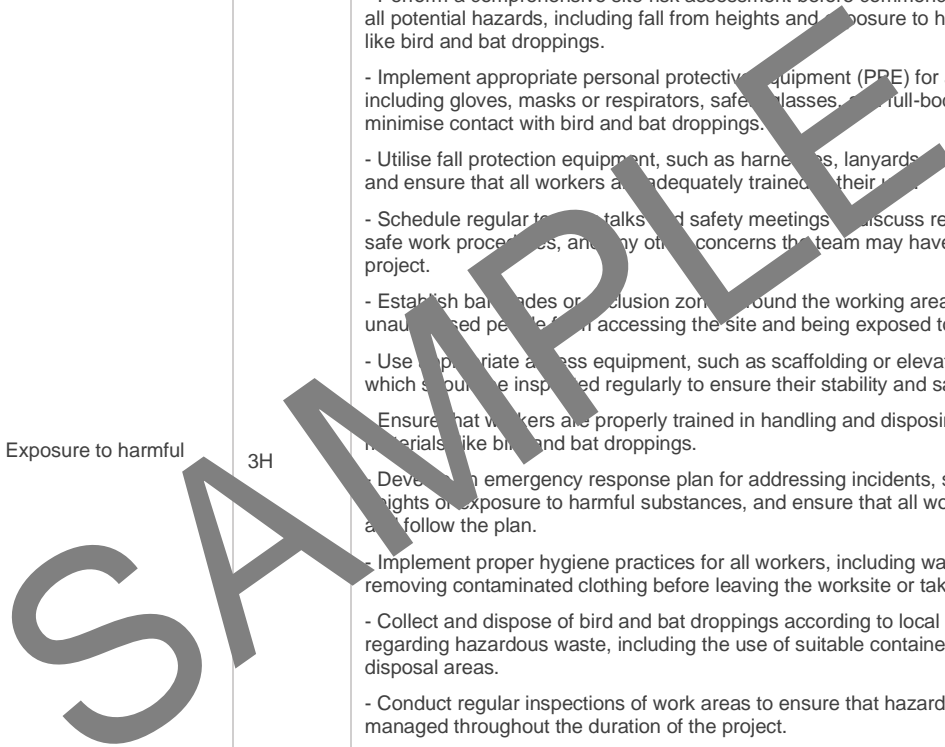
Select the appropriate PPE above suitable for the equipment used or the job task being performed (if applicable).

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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	Fall from height, Exposure to harmful substances	3H	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Perform a comprehensive site risk assessment before commencing work to identify all potential hazards, including fall from heights and exposure to harmful substances like bird and bat droppings.</li> <li>- Implement appropriate personal protective equipment (PPE) for all workers, including gloves, masks or respirators, safety glasses, and full-body coveralls to minimise contact with bird and bat droppings.</li> <li>- Utilise fall protection equipment, such as harnesses, lanyards and anchor points, and ensure that all workers are adequately trained in their use.</li> <li>- Schedule regular toolbox talks and safety meetings to discuss relevant hazards, safe work procedures, and any other concerns the team may have during the project.</li> <li>- Establish barriers or exclusion zones around the working area to prevent unauthorised people from accessing the site and being exposed to hazards.</li> <li>- Use appropriate access equipment, such as scaffolding or elevated work platforms, which should be inspected regularly to ensure their stability and safety for workers.</li> <li>- Ensure that workers are properly trained in handling and disposing of hazardous materials like bird and bat droppings.</li> <li>- Develop an emergency response plan for addressing incidents, such as falls from heights or exposure to harmful substances, and ensure that all workers understand and follow the plan.</li> <li>- Implement proper hygiene practices for all workers, including washing hands and removing contaminated clothing before leaving the worksite or taking breaks.</li> <li>- Collect and dispose of bird and bat droppings according to local regulations regarding hazardous waste, including the use of suitable containers and designated disposal areas.</li> <li>- Conduct regular inspections of work areas to ensure that hazards are appropriately managed throughout the duration of the project.</li> <li>- Monitor weather conditions to avoid working during extreme temperatures, high winds, or heavy rains, which could increase the likelihood of accidents or exposure to harmful substances.</li> <li>- Ensure that workers take regular breaks to minimise fatigue and maintain adequate focus on safety measures while performing their tasks.</li> <li>- Promote a safety-oriented culture within the team and encourage open communication, so that workers feel comfortable discussing any concerns or issues related to workplace health and safety.</li> </ul>	2M	
2. Site assessment	Juvenile birds disturbance, Bat habitat disturbance	2M	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Conduct a thorough pre-assessment of the site to identify potential areas of juvenile bird and bat habitats, including nesting, roosting, and foraging locations.</li> </ul>	1L	



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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Schedule work activities outside of breeding seasons, when possible, to minimise disturbances to juvenile birds and their habitats.</li> <li>- Implement exclusion zones around identified habitats, with barriers or signage in place to restrict access and limit disturbance to surrounding wildlife.</li> <li>- Provide comprehensive training and education to all employees involved in the worksite. This should include information on the importance of preserving these habitats, as well as protocols for reducing disturbances during work activities.</li> <li>- Monitor noise levels throughout the site continuously, ensuring compliance with regulations and minimising disturbances to the local fauna, particularly birds and bats.</li> <li>- Utilise low-impact work methods and equipment where practical, such as less noisy machinery and tools, to minimise environmental impact and disturbance towards wildlife habitats.</li> <li>- Temporarily relocate juvenile birds and bat habitats if necessary, under the guidance of a qualified ecologist, to protect them from potential harm during worksite activities.</li> <li>- Create a clear communication channel between management, workers, and environmental consultants regarding project milestones, tasks, and risks related to wildlife interferences, helping ensure prompt response to any issues that may arise.</li> <li>- Document and report any observed disturbances to juvenile bird and bat habitats throughout the project. Maintain an ongoing log for frequent review and adaptation of control measures as required.</li> <li>- Engage community members and stakeholders to maintain open lines of communication about the project's progress and its potential impact on local wildlife. Encourage public feedback and accommodate concerns where possible.</li> <li>- Conduct regular audits and reviews of the implemented control measures throughout the course of the project to ensure effectiveness and adapt strategies as needed. This should involve analysing incident reports, site assessments, and staff compliance with safety procedures to address any identified deficiencies.</li> </ul>		
3. Equipment setup	Trip hazards, Electrocutation	2M	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Inspect the work area and identify potential trip hazards, such as uneven flooring, loose cords, or debris, and address them by removing clutter, taping down cords, or providing adequate signage for workers to be aware of the potential hazard.</li> <li>- Properly train all staff members on how to safely set up equipment and store unused items to minimise trip hazards in their workspace.</li> <li>- Ensure that all electrical cords and outlets are in good condition and not damaged or frayed, which could cause an electrical shock.</li> <li>- Use ground fault circuit interrupter (GFCI) protected outlets to minimise the risk of electrocution from faulty equipment or devices.</li> <li>- Keep electrical cords neatly coiled and stored away when not in use, preventing potential trip hazards while also protecting cords from damage.</li> </ul>	1L	

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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Conduct regular safety briefings with staff to discuss potential hazards and remind them of proper protocols when it comes to setting up equipment and maintaining a safe work environment.</li> <li>- Equip workers with non-conductive gloves when handling electrical equipment to further reduce the risk of electrocution.</li> <li>- Clearly mark emergency exits and assembly points, ensuring all staff are aware of these locations in case of an emergency or workplace incident.</li> <li>- Utilise caution tape or other visual indicators to demarcate areas where equipment is being set up, alerting workers to proceed with caution in those areas.</li> <li>- Have qualified electricians inspect any electrical equipment that appears to be faulty or shows signs of wear, ensuring it is safe to use before allowing workers to handle it.</li> <li>- Require all employees to wear slip-resistant footwear, minimising the chance of falling onto slippery surfaces caused by bird droppings or bat droppings.</li> <li>- Develop a comprehensive cleaning schedule to maintain a safe and clean working environment, promptly addressing any buildup of bird droppings, bat droppings, or debris in common areas.</li> <li>- Provide adequate lighting for work areas, ensuring that employees can clearly see potential hazards and have the visibility necessary to set up equipment safely.</li> <li>- Establish an ongoing safety committee responsible for reviewing and updating workplace health and safety policies as needed, with a focus on continually improving measures designed to mitigate hazards related to equipment setup, trip hazards, and electrocution risks.</li> </ul>		
4. Dropping collection	Airborne contaminants, Slip and trip hazards	2M	<p>[REDACTED]</p> <p>[REDACTED]</p> <p>[REDACTED]</p> <p>[REDACTED]</p>	1L	

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5. Dropping storage	Spill and leakage, Container breaking	2M	[REDACTED]	1L	

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6. Cleaning surface	Falling objects, Water pollution	3H	[REDACTED]	2M	
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7. Safe work training	Inadequate knowledge transfer, Miscommunication	2M	[REDACTED]	1L	

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8. Dropping disposal	Improper waste disposal, Harm to local ecosystem	3H	[REDACTED]	1L	

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9. Personal protective equipment (PPE) usage	Inadequate PPE, Ill-fitted PPE	2M	[REDACTED]	1L	

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10. Post-cleaning inspection	Bird and bat returning, Structural damage	2M	[Redacted]	1L	

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11. Decontaminating worker's equipment	Cross-contamination, Biohazard exposure	2M	[REDACTED]	1L	
			[REDACTED]		

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12. Post-work review	Undetected hazards, Incomplete procedure	3L	[REDACTED]	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 FOR ANY STATE THAT ARE NOT APPLICABLE

<p><b>Queensland &amp; Australian Capital Territory</b>                  Work Health and Safety Act 2011                  Work Health and Safety Regulations 2011                  Legislation QLD: <a href="https://www.worksafe.qld.gov.au/laws-and-compliance/work-health-and-safety-laws">https://www.worksafe.qld.gov.au/laws-and-compliance/work-health-and-safety-laws</a>                  Codes of Practice QLD: <a href="https://www.worksafe.qld.gov.au/laws-and-compliance/codes-of-practice">https://www.worksafe.qld.gov.au/laws-and-compliance/codes-of-practice</a>                  Legislation ACT: <a href="https://www.worksafe.act.gov.au/laws-and-compliance/acts-and-regulations">https://www.worksafe.act.gov.au/laws-and-compliance/acts-and-regulations</a>                  Codes of Practice ACT: <a href="https://www.worksafe.act.gov.au/laws-and-compliance/codes-of-practice">https://www.worksafe.act.gov.au/laws-and-compliance/codes-of-practice</a></p>	<p><b>Victoria</b>                  Occupational Health and Safety Act 2004                  Occupational Health and Safety Regulations 2017                  Legislation VIC: <a href="https://www.worksafe.vic.gov.au/occupational-health-and-safety-act-and-regulations">https://www.worksafe.vic.gov.au/occupational-health-and-safety-act-and-regulations</a>                  Codes of Practice VIC: <a href="https://www.worksafe.vic.gov.au/compliance-codes-and-codes-practice">https://www.worksafe.vic.gov.au/compliance-codes-and-codes-practice</a></p>
<p><b>New South Wales</b>                  Work Health and Safety Act 2011                  Work Health and Safety Regulations 2017                  Legislation NSW: <a href="https://www.safework.nsw.gov.au/legal-obligations/legislation">https://www.safework.nsw.gov.au/legal-obligations/legislation</a>                  Codes of Practice NSW: <a href="https://www.safework.nsw.gov.au/resource-library/list-of-codes-of-practice">https://www.safework.nsw.gov.au/resource-library/list-of-codes-of-practice</a></p>	<p><b>Western Australia</b>                  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></p>
<p><b>Northern Territory</b>                  Work Health and Safety (National Uniform Legislation) Act 2011                  Work Health and Safety (National Uniform Legislation) Regulations 2011                  Legislation NT: <a href="https://worksafe.nt.gov.au/laws-and-compliance/workplaces-and-laws">https://worksafe.nt.gov.au/laws-and-compliance/workplaces-and-laws</a>                  Codes of Practice NT: <a href="https://worksafe.nt.gov.au/laws-and-compliance/codes-of-practice">https://worksafe.nt.gov.au/laws-and-compliance/codes-of-practice</a></p>	<p><b>Safe Work Australia Links</b>                  Law and Regulation (All States): <a href="https://www.safeworkaustralia.gov.au/law-and-regulation">https://www.safeworkaustralia.gov.au/law-and-regulation</a>                  Model Codes of Practice: <a href="https://www.safeworkaustralia.gov.au/resources-publications/model-codes-of-practice">https://www.safeworkaustralia.gov.au/resources-publications/model-codes-of-practice</a></p>
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<p>Details of permits, licenses or access required by regulatory bodies (add or delete as required):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Permits from local council</li> <li>- Authorisation to commence work</li> <li>- Any required documents.</li> </ul>	

**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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**SAFE WORK METHOD STATEMENT MONITORING AND REVIEW**

**The SWMS must be reviewed regularly** to make sure it remains effective and must be reviewed (and revised if necessary) if relevant control measures are needed. 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.

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**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
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**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"/>	
<b>REVIEWED BY</b>		<b>DATE REVIEWED</b>	
<b>SIGNATURE</b>		<b>DATE COMPLETED</b>	