

Floor Sander S	AFE WORK METHOD STA	TEMENT (SWMS)	
-	TASK OR ACTIVITY: Floor Sande	er	
Business Name: [Company Name]		ABN: [ABN]	SWMS#
Business Address: [Company Address]			
Contact Person:	Phone: [Phone]	E jil:	
THIS SAFE WORK METHOD	STATEMENT IS APPROVED BY	THE POST 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 ture 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 B PMENT AND APPROVAL OF THIS SWMS	EEN CONSULTED AND
Safety meetings or toolbox talks will be sched ed in accordance with agislative requirements to first identify any site hazards, conditions those hazards and then to further take steps to either the conditions are or conditions.	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.			



		CL	IENT OR PRINCIPAL	CONTRACTOR D	DETAILS				
Client:						SCOPE OF WORKS			
Project Name:				Provide a detailed description	n of the specific work being	carried out (otherwise			
Project Address:					known as cope of works).				
Project Manager:									
Contact Phone:									
Project Manager Sig	gnature:								
Date SWMS supplie	ed to Project Manager:								
		ANY HIGH	RISK CON PUCT	N' JRK BEING	CARRIED OUT				
☐ involves a risk of a p	erson falling more than 2 n	neters.		is carried out on or near pressurised gas mains or piping.					
is carried out on a te	lecommunication tower.		$H \cap H$	is carried out on	is carried out on or near chemical, fuel or refrigerant lines.				
☐ involves demolition of	of an element of a structure	that is load-be		is carried out on	☐ is carried out on or near energised electrical installations or services.				
☐ involves demolition of	of an element related to the	e physical integril of a str	3	is carried out in an area that may have a contaminated or flammable atmosphere.					
☐ involves, or is likely t	o involve, disturbing a es	stos.		☐ involves tilt-up or precast concrete.					
☐ involves structural al	teration or repair that re	mporal, upp to p	prevent collapse.	☐ is carried out on, in or adjacent to a road, railway, shipping lane or other traffic corridor.					
is carried out in or ne	ear 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/near	a shaft or trench deeper th	nan 1.5m or tunnel involvir	ng use of explosives.	☐ is carried out in areas with artificial extremes of temperature.					
is carried out in or ne	ear water or other liquid tha	at involves a risk of drowning	ng.	involves diving v	vork.				
		ANY H	IGH-RISK MACHINER	RY OR EQUIPMEN	NT 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 -			





FOOT HAND **HEAD HEARING** SPIRATORY FACE HIGH-VIS **PROTECTIVE** FALL SUN HAIR/JEWELLERY CLOTHING **PROTECTION PROTECTION** PROTECTION **PROTECTION** PROTE DTECTION **PROTECTION** CLOTHING **PROTECTION PROTECTION SECURED**

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	Trip hazards, Electrical hazards	2M	 Conduct a thorough risk assessment and identify potential trip and electrical hazards in the designated work area prior to beginnic any work. Clear the workspace of all debris, objects or a perials that may cause obstructions, impede movement or contribute to trip haz at a during the anding process. Install appropriate signage to inform employ as and corors about the presence of trip hazards, electrical hazards, and restricted as a areas throughout the duration of floor sanding activities. Train workers on safe operate and handling procedure of floor sanders, including proper use of a social sarry. Utilise coror or an agement solutions as calcusovers, reels, or organizers to miniminate the notification and good tripping over electrical cords during the sanding procedure. Regular, spectral ctrical cables and floor sander for wear and tear or potential damagnithat hay pool an electrical hazard, and ensure prompt repair or replace ant to an nee al. Solem it locks //tagout procedures as necessary to control the energy source of flooring as when not in use or during maintenance/repairs. Finsure as electrical equipment, including the floor sander and extension cords, is ponerly grounded and regularly tested for compliance with relevant safety standards. Establish clear communication channels between team members, promoting teamwork and vigilance to promptly address any emerging concerns throughout the floor sanding process. Develop an emergency action plan and provide workers with guidance on responding to potential emergencies, such as accidental contact with live wiring, slips or falls, and other incidents resulting from trip or electrical hazards. Monitor and conduct regular audits of work practices and adherence to control measures to ensure ongoing compliance and effectiveness in managing identified hazards, and adjust as needed based on evolving conditions or newly identified risks. 	1L	
2. Setup	Incorrect equipment setup, Heat exposure	2M	 Proper Equipment Setup: Ensure that the floor sander and all associated equipment are set up correctly according to the manufacturer's recommendations and guidelines to prevent accidents caused by incorrect setup. Heat Exposure Prevention: If working in hot environments, schedule work periods with necessary breaks or during cooler times of the day to avoid excessive heat exposure. Personal Protective Equipment (PPE): Provide and utilise appropriate PPE, including anti-vibration gloves, safety goggles, and hearing protection when 	1L	



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			operating a floor sander to reduce the risk of injury due to equipment malfunction or excessive exposure to noise and vibrations.		
			- Employee Training: All staff should be thoroughly unned in the correct use and operation of the floor sander, as well as proper unitenance procedures to help prevent incorrect equipment setup and relationships.		
			- Ventilation and Air Filtration: Make sure the is sufficient ventilation and air filtration in the workspace to prevent excessive up of dust and other particulates, which can contribute to heat exposition hazards.		
			- Regular Inspection of Equipment: Conduct regular species of the floor sander and its components for an amage, replacing a parts as necessary to maintain proper focusioning and proper focusioning and proper focusioning and proper focus on the floor sander and the floor sander and its components of the floor sander and its compo		
			- Emergency esponse Plan Develo, and it mement an emergency response plan that addresses attential in idents relative the identified hazards, such as fire or election shock, it was all workers are familiar with these plans.		
			 Ongoing mmulaintion: Maintain open communication between management and encloying about orkplace health and safety issues, providing a clear channel for repoing or cerns a sted to incorrect equipment setup, heat exposure, or other berelation to be obtained as a communication. Word a Organisation: Set up a designated area for the floor sander and all elated as benefit maintaining a clutter-free environment to prevent trip and fall exards that could further exacerbate the risk of injury from incorrect equipment so or heat exposure. Safety Documentation and Recordkeeping: Maintain detailed, accurate records of 		
			all equipment inspections, hazard assessments, training sessions, and incident reports to identify trends and areas for improvement concerning floor sander operation and heat exposure prevention.		
			- Proper Training: Ensure that all workers operating the floor sander are provided with adequate training and instruction on using the equipment safely and efficiently.		
			- Use of PPE: Workers should be equipped with personal protective equipment, including dust masks or disposable respirators, hearing protection, safety glasses or goggles, and gloves to prevent exposure to excessive dust, noise, and vibration.		
3. Sanding	Excessive dust exposure, Noise & vibration hazards	3H	- Dust-free sanding equipment: Where possible, use floor sanders with integrated dust extraction systems or attach a compatible vacuum system to minimise airborne dust.	2M	
			- Good Housekeeping: Frequently clean work areas during the sanding process to keep the area free from a buildup of sawdust and debris.		
			- Adequate Ventilation: Ensure that the work area is well-ventilated to disperse dust particles and reduce the risk of respiratory irritation.		



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			- Well-maintained Equipment: Perform regular maintenance checks on the floor sanding equipment to ensure it is functioning correctly and minimise any potential hazards.		
			- Isolation of Work Area: Restrict access to the mediate work area to essential personnel only, preventing unnecessary extraction dust noise, and vibration hazards.		
			- Rotation of Tasks: Rotate workers between to assign periodic breaks to minimise exposure to prolonged noise and vibra		
			- Anti-vibration Handles: Utilise por sanders with a wibration handles to reduce the impact of vibration the operator's hands and a		
			- Noise Barrier custall ten rary is the barrier cound the work area to help reduce noise vels and procedure.		
			- Equation - Cose floor salvers with lower vibration and noise emiss a where coole to minimise those hazards.		
			- Company tion Sign ge: Post clear signs and warnings near the work area, informing works and the visitors about the dangers present and necessary safety precautions.		
	7		- handlar lealth orlecks: Encourage workers to report any health issues or concernated to dust exposure, hearing damage, or problems related to vibration posure.		
			- specific Risk Assessment: Before starting work, perform a thorough site- specific risk assessment and adjust control measures accordingly, as needed, to address the unique hazards presented by each work site.		
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4. Edging	Manual handling injuries, Rotating equipment entanglement	3H		2M	



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5. Room Corners	Slips, falls, and improper posture	2M		1L	



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6. Vacuuming	Tripping due to cords, Airborne contaminants	2M		1L	



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7. Filling	Chemical exposure, Fire hazard	3H		2M	



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8. Buffering	Rough surface injury, Falling objects	2M		1L	



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9. Sealing	Inhalation of fumes, Slips on wet surfaces	ЗН		2M	



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10. Drying	Improper air circulation, Tripping hazards	2M		1L	



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11. Inspection	Ergonomic hazards, Inadequate lighting	2M		1L	



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12. Clean up	Sharp or protruding objects, Manual handling injuries	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/legislations/

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/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 all Safety Act

Occupational Health and afety gulations 2017

Legis on VIC: https://www.xsafe.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: 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.

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Worker Name	Pos	sition	Signature	Date	Time	Su	pervisor	
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The SWMS must be reviewed regularly to the ke sure it remains effective and must be reviewed (and revised if necessary) if relevant control measure and support of the symbol of the SWMS and their health and safety representatives who reduces that work group at the workplace. 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.	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 SWI			
SWMS initial risk (IR) column as well as residual risk (RR) columns completed.			
Check control measures added to the SWMS are the most effective sections.			
Responsible person is assigned and listed on the SWMS for the imperent of contameasures.			
Permit requirements specified, such as Hot Work, Electrical Work, Vocat Heights etc.			
SWMS identifies plant and equipment to be u d.			
Details of inspection checks required for any equipment listed at noted on the SWMS.			
Describes any mandatory qualifications, experience reining 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.			
REVIEWED BY	DATE R	EVIEWED	
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