

Picking Freight	SAFE WORK METHOD STA	ATEMENT (SWMS)		
Т	ASK OR ACTIVITY: Picking Freig	ht		
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 POST THE PROJECT		
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Signature:		Title:	Date:	
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requirements to first identify any site hazards, conditions those	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.				



CLIENT OR PRINCIPAL CONTRACTOR 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	s or piping.					
☐ involves a risk of a person falling more than 2 meters. ☐ is carried out on a telecommunication tower.			M + M	is carried out on	or near chemical, fuel or refrig	erant lines.					
				is carried out on	or near energised electrical ins	stallations 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 conta	minated or flammable atmo	sphere.				
☐ involves, or is likely t	o involve, disturbing a es	stos.		☐ involves tilt-up o	r 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, railwa	ay, shipping lane or other tr	affic corridor.				
is carried out in or ne	ear a confined space.			is carried out in	an area of a workplace where t	there is any movement of po	owered 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	f 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	Incorrect equipment choice, Poor communication	2M	 Conduct a pre-start toolbox meeting to discuss the tasks, hazards, and control measures involved in picking freight. Ensure all workers are well-trained and compount in meeting their health and safety responsibilities, including identifying related and analying appropriate risk controls. Utilise clear communication channels and pressor among team members to avoid misunderstandings during the freight-picking pross, possibly a bugh the use of walkie-talkies or hand signals. Provide workers with a prough aspection checklish at includes various equipment feature and religional properties for proper effection, usage, and maintenance. Establish so a guidelines or equipment for proper effection, usage, and maintenance. Impound to clear an ole signage detailing designated loading areas, restricted zones in the feature of low paths. Allocation of a suse. Impound to clear and easy maneuverability, reducing the likelihood of incidents. Involution feed in the freight-picking process. Liventain legularimspections and preventive maintenance schedules for all aquipment issed in the freight-picking process. Liventain legularimspections and preventive maintenance schedules for all aquipment issed in the freight-picking process. Provide workers with appropriate personal protective equipment (PPE) - including high-visibility vests, hard hats, and steel-toed boots - and enforce its consistent use throughout the process. Encourage ongoing communication between workers and management to receive feedback on hazards and control measures, allowing for continuous improvement of workplace safety practices. Implement an equipment allocation system to ensure that only authorised personnel have access to specific lifting devices and machinery required for the task at hand. Ensure emergency response procedures are in place, including first aid facilities and trained personnel, as well as clearly outlined evac	1L	
2. Equipment Inspection	Defective equipment, Lack of training	3Н	Regular equipment maintenance: Implement a routine maintenance schedule for all equipment involved in picking freight, in line with the manufacturer's recommendations. Pre-use inspection: Train workers to conduct a thorough visual and functional inspection of equipment before commencing work to ensure it is in optimal working condition.	2M	



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			 Equipment repair and replacement: Establish a procedure wherein broken or wornout equipment is promptly reported, repaired, or replaced to minimise potential hazards. Proper storage of equipment: Implement procedures to store equipment safely when not in use to avoid accidents from fall by or dislodged items. Training and competency assessment: Ensure that a workers involved in picking freight have undergone adequate training in equation usage and safety, as well as regular assessments to verificative competency. Use appropriate PPE: Enforce the use of personal potence equipment (PPE), such as gloves, safety a twear, and hard hats, to require the risk of injuries resulting from defective experients. Clear combinatication channels: Establish conformunication protocols so workers can qualify report efective experient to supervisors or management. Limitar assist to a pused personnel only: Restrict the use of equipment to trained and compound in indications to prevent accidents due to lack of training or improper equipment to use. Documentative and report-keeping: Maintain detailed records of equipment in the ge. Documentative and replacements to monitor the overall condition of workplace equipment on an ongoing basis. Encourage a proactive safety culture: Foster an environment where workers are expuraged to report any safety concerns, including defective equipment or lack of training, without fear of retribution. Ongoing refresher training: Ensure workers receive regular reminders and updates on equipment safety protocols and any changes in company procedures to maintain awareness and understanding of safety regulations. 		
3. Safety Briefing	Unaware of hazards, Inadequate PPE	ЗН	 Conduct pre-shift safety meetings: Before starting work, organise a safety briefing with all employees involved in the picking freight process to discuss potential hazards, roles, and responsibilities. Regular hazard communication: Continually make employees aware of hazards through visual aids such as signs, labels, and placards placed in high-risk areas. Identify hazards: Assess and identify risks specific to the workplace environment, and establish relevant control measures for each identified hazard. Develop a Standard Work Method (SWMS): Establish a standardised work procedure that covers every step of the picking freight process, including guidelines on handling materials safely and maintaining an organised workstation to minimise unexpected or uncontrolled hazards. Appropriate training: Ensure all workers receive adequate training and certification, tailored to the specific requirements of the job, including manual handling techniques and equipment operation. 	1L	



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			- Personal Protective Equipment (PPE): Confirm employees wear appropriate PPE (such as gloves, steel-toed boots, hi-vis vests, etc.) while performing their tasks.		
			- Pre-use inspection of PPE: Inspect PPE prior to condition and can function correctly.		
			- Maintenance and repair: Maintain all equit tent used design picking freight in proper working order, and report and address to be designed immediately.		
			- Incident reporting: Encourage employees to read accidents, in turies, or near misses immediately to their Coervisors, which we also prevent similar incidents in the future.		
			- First Aid Training and signal staff members invirst aid protocol to assist injured collean as promptly		
			- Emergency paredness Establish ergency response plan and routinely cond strills to milia employees with the plan and procedures.		
			- Clear it of contunication: Maintain open communication channels between supervors nanage ent, and floor employees, addressing concerns promptly.		
			- Attendance in page to the Monitor and manage attendance records to identify ands the may aggest fatigue or lack of attention among workers.		
	1		Recorded update: Frequently evaluate and adjust safety measures based on ngoing ections, feedback from employees, and any recorded incidents to sure the relevance and effectiveness of these control measures in the workplace.		
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4. Site Access	Slips, trips, falls, Unauthorised access	2M		1L	



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5. Loading Freight	Manual handling injuries, Drops from height	ЗН		2M	



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6. Stacking Freight	Crushing injuries, Unstable stacks	ЗН		2M	



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7. Securing Freight	Insecure loads, Incorrect equipment usage	ЗН		1L	



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8. Transportation	Vehicle collisions, Environmental hazards	2M		1L	



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9. Unloading Freight	Falls from height, Manual handling injuries	зн		2M	



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10. Storage	Cluttered pathways, Inadequate storage area	2M		1L	



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11. Area Cleanup	Slips, trips, falls, Hazardous waste disposal	2M		1L	
12. Documentation	Incomplete records, Miscommunication	1L		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

 $\textbf{Legislation QLD:} \ \underline{\textbf{https://www.worksafe.qld.gov.au/laws-and-compliance/work-health-and-safety-laws}$

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/legislat

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

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-

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

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 34

Occ. ational 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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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.			
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