

Utility Vehicle   S	SAFE WORK METHOD STA	TEMENT (SWMS)	
1	TASK OR ACTIVITY: Utility Vehic	le	
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	
Under the Work Health and Safety Regulation (WHS Regulation), a person conduct the proposed work starts.	cting a business or undertaking (N 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	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 and in accordance with regislative requirements to first identify any site hazards, conditions unical those hazards and then to further take steps to either the conditions of the co	NAME	SIGNATURE	DATE
If an incident or a near miss occurs, all work must strength and 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	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	rried 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	d 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	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	Poorly maintained equipment, Slips and trips around workspace	3H	<ul> <li>Conduct pre-operational checks and maintenance on the utility vehicle, ensuring it is in good working condition and safe for use.</li> <li>Remove any debris, oil spills, or obstructions can the workspace to prevent slip and trip hazards.</li> <li>Designate specific walkways and separate can from enicle traffic areas to minimise collisions and trips around the works.</li> <li>Provide appropriate signage and warnings around obtential top, trip, and equipment hazards.</li> <li>Implement mandatory stabling sections for employees on proper equipment usage, maintenance or mazard a parene.</li> <li>Ensure all enableses are resident footwear also nigh-visibility vests.</li> <li>Regulate inspect of maintain all tools, storage systems, and other equipment in the worspite to present accidents due to malfunctioning or poorly maintained resources.</li> <li>Develor a systematic work process that includes clearly defined tasks for each enables on efficient reporting system for employees to notify management of any reards or concerns they identify during their work shifts.</li> <li>Senedule and conduct regular workplace safety audits to identify potential hazards and develop corrective actions to address them.</li> <li>Ensure all employees have access to up-to-date safety data sheets (SDS), which provide information on proper handling and precautions for any chemicals or hazardous materials present in the workspace.</li> </ul>	2M	
2. Vehicle Inspection	Falls from heights, Inadequate PPE usage	ЗН	<ul> <li>Conduct a thorough pre-operational inspection of the utility vehicle, ensuring that all its components are in proper working order, including brakes, tires, and warning lights.</li> <li>Ensure that the inspection area is free from obstructions, slip hazards, or other site-specific risks before starting the vehicle inspection.</li> <li>Provide workers with appropriate personal protective equipment (PPE) such as safety boots, gloves, hi-vis vests, and safety glasses to ensure their protection during the inspection process.</li> <li>Implement a strict rule that only authorised and trained personnel should be conducting inspections on the utility vehicles. This includes updating your training documents regularly to stay updated on new hazards and controls.</li> <li>Establish designated access points and clearly marked exclusion zones to prevent falls while accessing elevated areas.</li> </ul>	1L	



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			- Use tools such as ladder access systems and secure footing devices, like step platforms or portable stairs, for safe and stable access to the elevated areas of the utility vehicle.		
			- Develop a standard operating procedure that the specific steps to conduct the inspection safely, and ensure that employees adhere to those procedures promptly.		
			- Set up regular monitoring routines for supervious review and verify that inspection processes align with your company's alth and safe protocols.		
			- Ensure that all necessary emprency equipment is pack available and accessible in case of accidents the injection process.		
			- Encourage of a communication along team ambers to allow them to discuss any potential cards or colors the may counter during the vehicle inspection.		
			- Develop a replying seem that allows employees to report safety-related incidents and replying seems an agement, which helps to identify potential risk factors that may not have been contified previously.		
			- Foster say -focus culture within the workplace by conducting regular safety briefings and to box takes, highlighting the importance of adhering to safety sure during hicle inspections.		
			Control sly review and update your safety management systems, taking into count he dback from workers, incident reports, and industry best practices to have improvements and reduce the risk of accidents related to vehicle inspections.		
			- Proper training: Ensure all personnel have gone through necessary training in manual handling techniques and load securing procedures to reduce the risk of injuries and incidents.		
			- Use of appropriate Personal Protective Equipment (PPE): Providing workers with suitable PPE, such as gloves, safety boots, and high-visibility vests, can increase safety during manual handling and transport of loads.		
3. Load Securing	Manual handling injuries, Unstable loads during transport	2M	- Implement a buddy system: Encourage workers to use a buddy system while lifting heavy or awkward objects, which can help reduce the strain on individual workers and minimise the risk of injury.	1L	
	during transport		- Use mechanical aids: Where possible, employ mechanical aids like trolleys, forklifts, or cranes to help move heavy or bulky items, reducing the reliance on manual handling by workers.		
			- Abide by weight and dimension limits: Always adhere to the recommended weight and dimension limits for both manual handling tasks and transportation of loads, ensuring a stable balance and reducing the chance of overloading.		
			- Inspect the load before securing: Workers should carefully inspect the load to identify any issues or discrepancies before securing it on the utility vehicle to prevent accidents.		



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			- Load distribution and placement: Ensure that loads are evenly distributed and placed on the utility vehicle to maintain stability and avoid uneven weight distribution during transportation, which can lead to an unstable		
			- Employ securement equipment: Use appropriation of destraining equipment such as chains, straps, and tensioners, to restrain and stabilise the load on the utility vehicle, preventing movement during transp		
			- Regularly check securement equipment: Can enspections of load restraining equipment to ensure it remains in good condition and is fit for a replacing damaged or worn equipment encessary.		
			- Establish a safe speciality of the utility vehicle during transport and was coprile control and maction times, especially when carrying vulcasulate or unstably load		
			- Ongoing communication and supplies to identify any potential risks or issues during the load security access, amoting a proactive approach to workplace health and safety.		
4. Route Planning	Vehicle collisions, Exposure to extra le weather	ЗН		2M	



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5. Engine Start-up	Fires, Unidentified hazards during start-up	2M		1L	



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6. Vehicle Operation	Fatigue, Heavy traffic hazards	зн		2M	



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7. Reversing/Parking	Struck by reversing vehicle, Overtight parking spaces	2M		1L	



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8. Refueling	Chemical exposure, Fuel spills causing slipping hazards	3H		2M	
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9. Vehicle Maintenance	Unexpected vehicle movement, Mishandling of hazardous substances	2M		1L	



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10. Emergency Response	Delayed response during emergencies, Ineffective communication channels	4A		ЗН	



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11. Unloading	Unstable cargo, Improper use of lifting equipment	ЗН		2M	



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12. Site Clean-up	Sharp objects, Incorrect waste disposal practices	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

Codes of Practice ACT: https://www.worksafe.act.gov.au/laws-and-compliance/codes-of-practice

#### **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 2011

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

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

#### 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: <a href="https://www.safework.sa.gov.au/wor">https://www.safework.sa.gov.au/wor</a> 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 at Safety Act 34

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: 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	Sup	pervisor	
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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	
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 effecting 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.			
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