

RODENT CONTROL SAFE WORK METHOD STATEMENT (SWMS)

Business Contact:	Phone #:	Principal Contractor (PC):
Responsible person (for monitoring SWMS and work):		PC Address:
Signature:	Date:	PC Phone #: Date SWMS provided to PC:
Contact Phone #:		Job Site Address:

SITE MANAGEMENT PLAN	Is the work associated with a Construction Project? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	If yes – This SWMS must align with requirements of the Site Management Plan in place for the Construction Project.
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THIS WORK ACTIVITY INVOLVES THE FOLLOWING “HIGH-RISK CONSTRUCTION WORK” (HRCW - IDENTIFIED IN THE JOB TASK COLUMN)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Confined spaces | <input type="checkbox"/> Mobile plant movement | <input type="checkbox"/> Demolition of a load-bearing structure | <input type="checkbox"/> Asbestos disturbance |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Using explosives | <input type="checkbox"/> Diving work | <input type="checkbox"/> Artificial extremes of temperature | <input type="checkbox"/> Tilt-up or pre-cast concrete |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Pressurised gas distribution mains or piping chemical, fuel or refrigerant lines energised electrical installations or services | | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Structures or buildings involving structural alterations or repairs that require temporary support to prevent collapse | | | |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Involves a risk of a person falling from 2m or more, including work on telecommunications towers | | <input type="checkbox"/> Work in a ceiling space (W.A. Only) | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Working at depths greater than 1.5 metres, including tunnels or mines | | <input type="checkbox"/> Work in an area that may have a contaminated or flammable atmosphere | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Work carried out adjacent to a road, railway or shipping lane, traffic corridor | | <input type="checkbox"/> In or near water or other liquid that involves the risk of drowning | |

WORKING WITH A RISK OF A FALL OVER 2 METRES. Select the fall from height 'hierarchy of control level' considered when establishing controls:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> L 1: Work on the ground or solid construction | <input type="checkbox"/> L 4: Use a fall arrest system e.g., safety harness, catch platforms |
| <input type="checkbox"/> L 2: Use a passive fall restraint system e.g., guard rails, scaffolding, EWP | <input type="checkbox"/> L 5: Implement administrative controls e.g., signage, or instruction |
| <input type="checkbox"/> L 3: Use a work positioning system e.g., travel restraint, rope access | <input type="checkbox"/> Other? |

More than one of these measures to reduce risk can be used. For example, engineering controls like edge protection can be implemented with administrative controls like training and use of this SWMS, while wearing PPE (non-slip shoes). Please describe why it is not reasonably practicable to use higher-order control measures. E.g. The job is less than 5 minutes on a ladder.

JOB TASK	HAZARDS	IR	CONTROL MEASURES		RR	RESPONSIBLE PERSON
			<i>INHERENT RISK-RATING (IR) BEFORE CONTROLS - RESIDUAL RISK-RATING (RR) AFTER CONTROLS</i>			
	Contact with reptiles, spiders and insects	3H	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Be aware of metallic conduits or other coverings and, damaged or exposed wiring. Carefully inspect the work area to locate any signs of bees, wasps, or other potential animal hazards Keep your eyes fixed on the ground and be aware of where you are stepping at all times Never put your hands or feet somewhere where you can't see them <u>Bee and Wasps.</u> Be aware of surroundings (bee's hives, wasp nests): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Note: Wasps nest in logs, walls or underground. They are generally more aggressive than bees and attracted to food and drink Do not contact/disturb nests/hives <u>Reptiles / Spiders.</u> Be aware of surroundings, reptiles and spiders can be found anywhere 		2M	
6. Environment	Environmental impact	3H	<p>⚠ If there is the contamination of vegetation, waterways or soils, advise the EPA.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Waste - Place all wastes and rubbish in bins or other appropriate containers Separate recycle waste from general waste Do not mix waste with spoil Fuels, oils & chemicals - Minimum amounts of hazardous substances are kept on site Labelled and securely stored Refuelling of vehicles/equipment will be undertaken at least 6m from drains and waterways Follow SDS directions for disposal of chemicals in approved waste containers A spill kit is available at all times & spills will be cleaned up immediately follow SDS directions Waterways & soils - Do not wash out plant, equipment or containers where residue can enter waterways or drains Vehicle movement - Follow the TMP, only travel on established tracks and roads Use designated entry and exit points Terrestrial fauna - No domestic animals are to be taken onsite Ensure all food scraps placed in lidded bins. 		2M	<p>Supervisors to check all controls in place and followed</p> <p>Workers to follow controls and make supervisor aware of any issues</p>
7. House keeping	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Slips Trips Falls 	3H	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Maintain housekeeping throughout the shift & clean-up Ensure sufficient lighting to detect changes in level (using temporary lighting as required) Do not jump from elevated edges >180mm, step carefully and use prepared access areas The work area is clean and uncluttered as possible Do not place equipment where it could become a trip hazard Check for stored items, corners or other obstructions that could cause tripping Check the end destination is prepared correctly for placement of the materials/equipment Clean spills immediately 		2M	<p>Supervisor and workers to ensure control measures followed</p>

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			<i>INHERENT RISK-RATING (IR) BEFORE CONTROLS - RESIDUAL RISK-RATING (RR) AFTER CONTROLS</i>			
			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Use signage or another marked hazard alert to identify the hazard • Wear tool belts, use tool lanyards to pass tools to people at height and use tethers on tools/equipment where appropriate • All workers must wear a hard hat and high visibility clothing • Ensure footwear is suitable. Snug-fitting shoes/boots with flat, non-slip soles, no loose soles, long laces, soles that are oily, or caked with mud or other contaminants. 			
10. Placing & baiting rodent stations	Exposure to rodent bait: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Inhalation (breathed in) • Ingestion (swallowed) • Absorption (via the skin) • Asphyxiation (lack of oxygen) 	3H	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Only licensed pest controllers are permitted to place rodent baits • Ensure a current (issue date with 5 years) Safety Data Sheets (SDS) is obtained for the bait and is accessible on site: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Implement all controls ○ Workers know where to access the SDS ○ If SDS is kept on an electronic database, ensure there is a backup system available in the workplace, such as a hard copy in a filing system ○ Read the SDS before using the bait ○ Wear appropriate PPE at all times recommended on the SDS/label: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Safety gloves, glasses, overalls and enclosed footwear • All containers (original container or decanted portions) supplied for use at a workplace, must have a label with all required details listed. If a container is not correctly labelled, it must not be used at the workplace <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ⚠ NEVER decant chemicals into food or beverage containers • Ensure the correct chemical handling equipment is available and in good condition <ul style="list-style-type: none"> × <i>DO NOT eat or drink when handling chemicals</i> × <i>DO NOT eat or drink without washing hands thoroughly first</i> × <i>DO NOT take food into the work area where chemicals are being used or stored</i> × <i>DO NOT wear contaminated PPE in areas outside the work zone, such as eating areas.</i> • Small spills: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Wear recommended PPE ○ Wipe up with absorbent material, allow it to dry and then dispose of in normal garbage bins • Large spills: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Wear recommended PPE plus breathing protection for dust ○ Work upwind or increase ventilation ○ Cover with damp absorbent material (sand or soil) ○ Sweep or vacuum avoiding dust generation ○ Collect and seal in properly labelled containers or drums 		2M	<p>Supervisors to check all controls in place and followed</p> <p>Workers to follow controls and make supervisor aware of any issues</p>