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# SWMS FOR WORKING IN A CONTAMINATED OR FLAMMABLE ATMOSPHERE

## SAFE WORK METHOD STATEMENT INCORPORATES RISK ASSESSMENT

<b>Client/Principal Contractor</b>	Insert client and/or PC name	<b>Project Address:</b>	Insert the project's address
<b>Company Address:</b>	Insert your company address	<b>Phone Number:</b>	Insert your business number
<b>SWMS Prepared By:</b>	Insert person	<b>In Consultation With:</b>	Refer to Consultation and Sign-Off Record
<b>SWMS Approved By:</b>	Insert person	<b>Distribution To:</b>	Persons involved in the work scope
<b>SWMS Date:</b>	Insert date	<b>Review Date:</b>	2 months
<b>Person(s) responsible for implementing, monitoring and compliance to the SWMS:</b>	Insert person(s)	<b>Responsible Person Phone Number:</b>	Insert person(s) phone number
<b>Work Scope Description:</b>	General work in a contaminated or flammable atmosphere. This is a 'High Risk Construction Work' under the Work Health and Safety Act 2011.		
<b>List the qualifications and training requirements for the work:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Instruction in safe work method statement.</li> <li>Training and instruction on the use of protective equipment (if any) and any equipment used to manage the contaminants.</li> <li>Personnel to be trained and competent to work in a contaminated or flammable atmosphere.</li> </ul>		
<b>Details of inspections and maintenance checks required for this activity:</b>	Regular checks and maintenance of equipment used.		
<b>Are there any additional risks that may affect the work?</b>	Persons must follow all additional safe work procedures, plans, rules and instructions given by an authorised person in control of the workplace.		
<b>Legislative References:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Work Health and Safety Act</li> <li>Work Health and Safety Regulation</li> <li>How to Manage Work Health and Safety Risks Code of Practice</li> <li>Australian Standard 2381 - Electrical Equipment for Explosive Gas Atmospheres</li> <li>Australian Standard 5601 - Gas Installations</li> <li>Australian Standard 60079 - Explosive Atmospheres (series)</li> <li>Adopted National Exposure Standards for Atmospheric Contaminants in the Occupational Environment</li> </ul>		

JOB STEP		POTENTIAL HAZARDS Identify the hazards relating to health and safety with each step	RISKS Identify the risks to health and safety related to each step	LIKELIHOOD	CONSEQUENCE	INITIAL RISK SCORE	CONTROL MEASURES, CHECKS AND MONITORING Decide on what actions are necessary to eliminate, or minimise risk to a reasonably practical level	LIKELIHOOD	CONSEQUENCE	REVISED RISK SCORE	PERSON(S) RESPONSIBLE
1.	Planning and preparation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Uncoordinated work plan.</li> <li>Unprepared personnel.</li> <li>Unqualified personnel.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Risk of not understanding procedures.</li> <li>Suitable equipment not available.</li> <li>Unprepared personnel.</li> <li>Unqualified personnel undertaking work.</li> </ul>			6 Med	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ensure that consultation with Principal Contractor, Client and Service Authority has been undertaken to identify the hazards associated with the work.</li> <li>Personnel must be assessed for the work in a contaminated or flammable atmosphere and decide if the necessary control measures are in place before rescue plan is understood by all personnel. If a person is not trained from a competent person, they must not be used.</li> <li>Review of the necessary control measures and acquire all the resources needed for the job.</li> <li>Ensure that training and instruction is provided to personnel whose job involves working in a contaminated or flammable atmosphere.</li> </ul> <p><b>Note:</b> Work in a contaminated or flammable atmosphere must only be undertaken by personnel who have received the necessary instruction and training and are deemed competent.</p>	1	2	2 Low	Manager Supervisor Workers