

safe work method statement (SWMS)

Generic Safe Work Method Statement

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RULES FOR THE USE OF GENERIC SWMS

1. This generic SWMS is provided as a sample. It is not to be used by a builder or subcontractor for the purpose of managing safety on their projects. It can be used as a template to enable builders and subcontractors to produce their own SWMS.
2. Employers intending to use this SWMS as a template for their own SWMS must ensure they consult with their employees, including their Health and Safety Representatives, prior to its introduction.
3. Builders and subcontractors must ensure that their SWMS is relevant to the project at hand. Generic SWMS should not be used unless precautions have been taken to ensure that the document adequately addresses the hazards and risks relevant to each particular project.
4. Builders and subcontractors intending to use this sample SWMS as a template for their own generic SWMS, without making any changes to the detail, must ensure that they adhere to and implement all of the relevant risk controls.
5. This generic SWMS provided by Easycraft is not sufficiently broad enough to cover “all” hazards or risks encountered by builders and subcontractors. It does not cover the full list of requirements for which SWMS are specifically required under the OHS Construction Regulations. It is important that the builder or subcontractor undertake their own hazard identification and risk control process relevant for each particular task.

It is highly recommended that persons who are responsible for preparing and reviewing SWMS undertake training so as to understand the process of identifying and controlling risks in the workplace.

Remember: Each Safe Work Method Statement should be site specific. Include all workers in the development of the Safe Work Method Statement. All workers should sign off to verify that they understand all the requirements of this Safe Work Method Statement.