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#### Part 1 Preliminary

#### 1 Short title

This regulation may be cited as the Workplace Health and Safety Regulation 1997.

#### 2 Commencement

This regulation commences on 1 February 1998.

#### 3 Definitions—the dictionary

The dictionary in schedule 9 defines particular words used in this regulation.

#### 3A References to standards

Unless otherwise stated, a reference in this regulation to an Australian Standard or to a standard published jointly by Standards Australia and Standards New Zealand is a reference to the standard as in force at 1 January 2006.

#### 3B References to the doing of work by employer

A reference in this regulation to the doing or performing of work by an employer is taken to include the doing or performance of the work by a worker of the employer.

### 3BA References to the doing of work by person who conducts a business or undertaking

A reference in this regulation to the doing or performing of work by a person who conducts a business or undertaking is taken to include the doing or performance of the work by a work activity performer for the business or undertaking.

#### 3C Notes in text

A note in the text of this regulation is part of the regulation.

#### 4 Fees

- (1) The fees payable under the Act are in schedule 1.
- (2) The registration fee for a registrable plant that is first registered after 1 February in any year is adjusted on a proportional basis according to the number of whole months from the end of the month when the plant was first used and 31 January in the following year.
- (3) The chief executive may enter into an agreement with the Authority<sup>1</sup> or another agent for the collection of fees.
- (4) An agreement may provide for an agent to be paid.

# Part 2 Registrable plant and registrable plant design

#### Division 2 Registration of registrable plant

#### 10 Registrable plant not to be used before registration

An owner of registrable plant must not use registrable plant, or allow it to be used, unless the plant is registered.

Maximum penalty—20 penalty units.

<sup>1</sup> *Authority* is a defined term—see schedule 9 (Dictionary).

#### 11 Registration of registrable plant

(1) The owner of registrable plant may apply to the chief executive, in accordance with part 5, division 1A, to register registrable plant.

#### (2) Registration is valid—

- (a) for the initial registration—from the date stated in the certificate until 31 January in the following year; and
- (b) for the renewal of the certificate—from 1 February until 31 January in the following year.

#### 12 Notification of change of ownership of registered plant

A holder of a certificate of registration of registered plant must give the chief executive notice of a change of ownership of the plant in the approved form within 28 days of the change.

Maximum penalty—20 penalty units.

#### 13 Cessation of registration of registered plant

The registration of registered plant is taken to end on the day ownership of the plant changes if the holder of the certificate of registration does not notify the chief executive under section 12.

### 14 Refund of fees because of change of ownership of registrable plant

- (1) This section applies if the chief executive receives a notice under section 12.
- (2) The chief executive must cancel the registration and refund to the former holder of the certificate of registration the unexpired part of the registration fee.
- (3) The refund is to be worked out on a proportional basis according to the number of whole months from the end of the month when the change happened to 31 January in the following year.

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# Division 3 Registration of registrable plant design

#### 15 Application of div 3

This division does not apply to manually powered plant.

### 16 Plant not to be installed or used unless certificate of registration is in force

(1) A relevant person must not install or use plant mentioned in schedule 4<sup>2</sup> unless a certificate of registration of registrable plant design granted under part 5, division 1A for the design of the plant is in force.<sup>3</sup>

Maximum penalty—20 penalty units.

(2) A relevant person who is an employer must not allow a worker of the employer to install or use plant mentioned in schedule 4 unless a certificate of registration of registrable plant design granted under part 5, division 1A for the design of the plant is in force.

Maximum penalty—20 penalty units.

- (3) The owner of any of the following specified high risk plant must not install or use, or allow anyone else to install or use, the plant unless a certificate of registration of registrable plant design granted under part 5, division 1A for the design of the plant is in force—
  - (a) an escalator;<sup>4</sup>
  - (b) an LP gas cylinder;
  - (c) a lift;
  - (d) a specified amusement device.

Maximum penalty—20 penalty units.

<sup>2</sup> Schedule 4 (Registrable plant design)

For when the certificate is in force, see section 16A. See sections 233 and 234 for transitional provisions about certificates, or applications for certificates, of registration of registrable plant design.

<sup>4</sup> Escalator, LP gas cylinder and lift are defined in schedule 2 of the Act.

- (4) A person does not commit an offence against subsection (1) or (2) in relation to plant mentioned in schedule 4 or against subsection (3) in relation to specified high risk plant mentioned in that subsection if—
  - (a) the person holds a certificate of registration, approval or notification of the design of the relevant plant in force under a corresponding law; and
  - (b) the design has not been changed in a way that requires new measures to control risk.<sup>5</sup>
- (5) The chief executive may give a person who relies under subsection (4) on a certificate in force under a corresponding law written notice—
  - (a) requiring the person to give the chief executive a copy of the certificate within 10 days after the day of the notice; and
  - (b) stating that is an offence for the person to fail, without reasonable excuse, to comply with the requirement.
- (6) The person must comply with the requirement unless the person has a reasonable excuse.

Maximum penalty for subsection (6)—10 penalty units.

#### 16A When certificate of registration is in force

- (1) A certificate of registration of registrable plant design continues in force until it stops having effect under this section.
- (2) A certificate of registration of registrable plant design for a design of plant stops having effect if the design is changed in a way that requires new measures to control risk.<sup>6</sup>

Example of a change in design causing certificate to stop having effect—

A certificate of registrable plant design is in force for the design of a mobile crane. The crane's reach is increased by fitting a longer boom, which increases the risk of the crane overturning. The certificate stops being in force because of the change.

<sup>5</sup> See the examples in section 16A.

A fresh certificate will be needed if the plant is to be installed or used after the change.

Example of a change in design not causing certificate to stop having effect—

A certificate of registrable plant design is in force for the design of a fire tube boiler. The boiler's output is raised by increasing its firing rate, but the operating pressure and temperature of the boiler are unchanged. The certificate does not stop being in force because of the change.

#### (3) In this section—

certificate of registration of registrable plant design includes a certificate, approval or notification in force under a corresponding law.

#### 16B Certificate number to be given

- (1) The holder of a certificate of registration of registrable plant design for the design of plant must give the certificate number to—
  - (a) each manufacturer of plant, manufactured according to the design, known to the holder; and
  - (b) each supplier of plant, manufactured according to the design, known to the holder.

Maximum penalty—20 penalty units.

(2) The manufacturer or supplier must give the number to each person to whom the manufacturer or supplier supplies plant manufactured according to the design.

Maximum penalty—20 penalty units.

#### 16C Certificate number to be marked on plant

(1) A supplier of plant mentioned in schedule 4 must ensure that the number of the certificate of registration of registrable plant design for the design of the plant is permanently marked on the plant so as to be clearly visible.

Maximum penalty—20 penalty units.

(2) A relevant person who installs or uses, or a relevant person who is an employer who allows a worker to install or use, plant mentioned in schedule 4 must ensure that the number of the certificate of registration of registrable plant design for the

design of the plant is permanently marked on the plant so as to be clearly visible.

Maximum penalty—20 penalty units.

- (3) Subsection (2) does not apply to the following specified high risk plant—
  - (a) an escalator;
  - (b) an LP gas cylinder;
  - (c) a lift;
  - (d) a specified amusement device.
- (4) The owner of specified high risk plant mentioned in subsection (3) must ensure that the number of the certificate of registration of registrable plant design for the design of the plant is permanently marked on the plant so as to be clearly visible.

Maximum penalty—20 penalty units.

(5) In this section—

certificate of registration of registrable plant design includes a certificate, approval or notification in force under a corresponding law.

#### Part 3 Prescribed occupations

#### Division 1 Work in prescribed occupation

#### 17 Authority to perform work in prescribed occupation

(1) An employer must not employ or otherwise allow a worker to perform work in a prescribed occupation unless the worker has appropriate authority to perform work in the prescribed occupation.

Maximum penalty—40 penalty units.

(2) A person must not perform work in a prescribed occupation unless the person has appropriate authority to perform work in the prescribed occupation.

Maximum penalty—40 penalty units.

- (3) A person has appropriate authority to perform work in a prescribed occupation if—
  - (a) the person holds a certificate to work in the occupation issued by the chief executive or a recognised official; or
  - (b) the person is a trainee in the prescribed occupation; or
  - (c) the person has applied under section 19(1) for a certificate to work in the prescribed occupation but has not received from the chief executive—
    - (i) the certificate; or
    - (ii) notice of refusal to grant the certificate.

#### 18 Work incidental to prescribed occupation

- (1) This section applies to—
  - (a) a person—
    - (i) whose work is primarily—
      - (A) the maintenance, servicing or repair of plant; or
      - (B) the demonstration of plant for sale; and
    - (ii) who performs work not involving use of the plant for the purpose for which it was designed; and
  - (b) a person—
    - (i) whose work is primarily the maintenance, servicing or repair of plant; and
    - (ii) who performs rigging work not involving lifting a load of more than 1t.

Example of subsection (1)(a)—

A person who repairs the boom of a crane if the person does not lift a load with the crane.

#### Example of subsection (1)(b)—

A person who when repairing plant, for example a pump, needs to lift the plant if the plant weighs no more than 1t.

(2) The person is taken not to be performing work in a prescribed occupation.

### 19 Application for certificate to work in prescribed occupation

- (1) A person may apply to the chief executive, in accordance with part 5, division 1A, for a certificate to work in a prescribed occupation.
- (2) The chief executive may grant the application only if the chief executive is satisfied that, within 60 days before the application was made, an authorised accredited provider or a registered training organisation has assessed the applicant, under the appropriate competency standard, as competent to perform work in the prescribed occupation.
- (3) A certificate is valid unless suspended or cancelled.
- (4) In this section—

authorised accredited provider means an accredited provider whose functions under section 178(2)<sup>7</sup> of the Act include assessing a person's competency to perform work in the prescribed occupation.

#### competency standard means—

- (a) for a prescribed occupation in load shifting equipment operation—the standard stated in Information Paper 6 issued by the chief executive; or
- (b) otherwise—the standard for the occupation stated in schedule A, B or C of the national standard.

<sup>7</sup> Section 178 (Functions of accredited providers) of the Act

#### Division 2 Training in prescribed occupations

#### 21 Employer's duty for training in prescribed occupation

A trainee's employer must ensure a trainee in a prescribed occupation—

- (a) is being trained to achieve the standard set in the competency standard for the occupation; and
- (b) is being trained by a person (supervisor) who—
  - (i) holds a certificate to work in the prescribed occupation; and
  - (ii) supervises the trainee as required by section 22 when the trainee performs work in the occupation; and
- (c) keeps the training record mentioned in section 24.

Maximum penalty—20 penalty units.

#### 22 Supervisor's duty for training in prescribed occupation

The trainee's supervisor must directly supervise the trainee when the trainee performs work in the prescribed occupation unless—

- (a) the nature or circumstances of a particular task make direct supervision impracticable or unnecessary; and
- (b) supervision is reduced only to a reasonable level having regard to the trainee's competence in performing the task; and
- (c) the reduced level of supervision will not place the health and safety of the trainee or someone else at risk.

Maximum penalty—20 penalty units.

#### 24 Trainee's duty for training in prescribed occupation

The trainee must keep a written training record that identifies the trainee and includes the following—

- (a) the scope of work performed by the trainee in the prescribed occupation;
- (b) the date on which the work was performed;
- (c) if the performance of work in the prescribed occupation includes the operation of plant—the type of plant operated;
- (d) the date the training was completed;
- (e) the name of the supervisor who supervised the training;
- (f) the number of the certificate to work in the occupation held by the supervisor.

Maximum penalty—20 penalty units.

#### 25 Supervisor to sign entry in training record

The trainee's supervisor must sign an entry in the trainee's training record if—

- (a) the supervisor supervised the training about which the entry relates; and
- (b) the supervisor is satisfied that the entry is correct.

Maximum penalty—20 penalty units.

#### Part 3A Prescribed activities

# Division 1 Certificate to perform prescribed activity

#### 29B Certificate to perform prescribed activity

A relevant person must not perform a prescribed activity unless—

(a) if the prescribed activity is demolition work, and there is a principal contractor—the principal contractor or the

- relevant person holds a certificate to perform the activity issued by the chief executive; or
- (b) otherwise—the relevant person holds a certificate to perform the activity issued by the chief executive.

Maximum penalty—40 penalty units.

#### 29C Application for certificate to perform prescribed activity

- (1) A person may apply to the chief executive, under part 5, division 1A, for a certificate to perform a prescribed activity.
- (2) The chief executive may grant the application only if the chief executive is satisfied that, within 60 days before the application was made, an authorised accredited provider or a registered training organisation has assessed the applicant, under the approved criteria, as competent to perform the prescribed activity.
- (3) A certificate is valid for 2 years from the day it is granted unless suspended or cancelled.
- (4) In this section—

#### approved criteria means—

- (a) for demolition work—the criteria stated in Information Paper D1 (Approved criteria for a certificate to perform the prescribed activity of demolition work) issued by the chief executive; or
- (b) for asbestos removal work—the criteria stated in Information Paper AR1 (Approved criteria for a certificate to perform the prescribed activity of asbestos removal) issued by the chief executive.<sup>8</sup>

authorised accredited provider means an accredited provider whose functions stated under section 178(2)<sup>9</sup> of the Act include assessing a person's satisfaction of the approved criteria.

These information papers may be obtained at no cost from any office of the Department of Employment and Industrial Relations dealing with workplace health and safety, or at <www.deir.qld.gov.au> on the internet.

<sup>9</sup> Section 178 (Functions of accredited providers) of the Act

#### 29D Continuing to satisfy approved criteria

In addition to any other condition imposed by the chief executive under section 39, a certificate held by a person to perform a prescribed activity is subject to the following conditions—

- (a) the person must take all reasonable steps to ensure that the person continues to satisfy the approved criteria;
- (b) if the prescribed activity to be performed under the certificate is demolition work—the performance of the prescribed activity must be restricted to the particular structures, or particular types of structures, stated in the certificate.

# Division 2 Training and supervision in prescribed activities

#### 29E Employer's duty for training in prescribed activity

An employer who employs, or otherwise allows, a worker to perform a prescribed activity must ensure the person has received appropriate training in safe working methods for the performance of the prescribed activity.

Maximum penalty—30 penalty units.

#### 29F Supervision of performance of prescribed activity

(1) The holder of a certificate to perform a prescribed activity must ensure the performance of the prescribed activity is directly supervised by a competent person.

Maximum penalty—30 penalty units.

(2) In this section—

#### competent person means—

(a) for demolition work—a person who is competent under Information Paper D2 (Requirements for a competent person to supervise performance of the prescribed activity of demolition work) issued by the chief executive; or

(b) for asbestos removal work—a person who is competent under Information Paper AR2 (Requirements for a competent person to supervise performance of the prescribed activity of asbestos removal) issued by the chief executive.<sup>10</sup>

# Part 4 Workplace health and safety officers

### Workplaces requiring a workplace health and safety officer—Act, s 93

For section 93<sup>11</sup> of the Act, workplaces (other than workplaces where construction work is performed and a principal contractor has not been appointed for the work) in the following industries are prescribed workplaces—

- (a) building and construction industry;
- (b) community services industry;
- (c) electricity, gas and water industry;
- (d) financial, property and business services industry;
- (e) manufacturing industry;
- (f) public administration industry;
- (g) recreational services, personal services and other services industry;
- (h) retail and wholesale trade industry;
- (i) transport and storage industry.

<sup>10</sup> These information papers may be obtained at no cost from any office of the Department of Employment and Industrial Relations dealing with workplace health and safety, or at <www.deir.qld.gov.au> on the internet.

<sup>11</sup> Section 93 (Appointment of workplace health and safety officer by employer) of the Act. Section 94 (Appointment of workplace health and safety officer by principal contractor) of the Act provides for the appointment of a workplace health and safety officer for a construction workplace.

#### 31 Application for certificate of authority of appointment

- (1) A person may apply to the chief executive, in accordance with part 5, division 1A, for a certificate of authority of appointment of a workplace health and safety officer.
- (2) The chief executive may grant the application only if the chief executive is satisfied that—
  - (a) within 3 months before the application is made—
    - (i) for an application for a certificate—an authorised accredited provider or registered training organisation has assessed the applicant as competent to perform the functions of a workplace health and safety officer under the Act; or
    - (ii) for renewal of an application for a certificate—an authorised accredited provider or registered training organisation has assessed the applicant as competent to continue to perform the functions of a workplace health and safety officer under the Act; or
  - (b) the applicant has other qualifications or experience that would enable the applicant to satisfactorily perform the functions of a workplace health and safety officer.
- (2A) The applicant may satisfy the chief executive for subsection (2) by giving the chief executive satisfactory evidence that the applicant has completed—
  - (a) for subsection (2)(a)(i)—an approved workplace health and safety officer course; or
  - (b) for subsection (2)(a)(ii)—an approved workplace health and safety officer recertification course.
  - (3) A certificate is valid for the term (of a maximum of 5 years) stated in the certificate.
  - (4) In this section—

approved workplace health and safety officer course means a course approved by the chief executive under section 32(1)(a).

approved workplace health and safety officer recertification course means a course approved by the chief executive under section 32(1)(b).

authorised accredited provider means an accredited provider whose functions under section 178(2)<sup>12</sup> of the Act include the conduct of the relevant course.

#### 32 Approval of workplace health and safety officer course

Workplace Health and Safety Regulation 1997

- The chief executive may approve
  - a workplace health and safety officer course; and
  - a workplace health and safety officer recertification (b) course.
- (2) The chief executive must not approve a workplace health and safety officer course or recertification course unless the chief executive is satisfied the course gives adequate instruction about the functions of a workplace health and safety officer under the Act.

#### Part 4A Accredited providers and registered training organisations

#### 33 Application for appointment as an accredited provider

- (1) A person may apply to the chief executive, in accordance with part 5, division 1A, for a certificate of appointment as an accredited provider.
- (2) An appointment is valid for the term (of a maximum of 5 years) stated in the certificate.

Note—

See part 14, division 1 of the Act for further provisions about accredited providers.

<sup>12</sup> Section 178 (Functions of accredited providers) of the Act

## 33A Registered training organisation's duty for assessing competency

A registered training organisation must ensure that each person who trains or assesses the competency of an applicant for part 3, 3A or 4<sup>13</sup> complies with the requirements of—

- (a) the *Vocational Education, Training and Employment Act* 2000 in relation to the training or assessment; and
- (b) any agreement entered into by the registered training organisation for the training or the assessment in the courses accredited under the *Vocational Education*, *Training and Employment Act 2000* that are listed in schedule 2.

Maximum penalty—40 penalty units.

#### 33B Record of assessment

- (1) This section applies if an authorised accredited provider or registered training organisation has assessed an applicant's competency for part 3, 3A or 4.
- (2) The authorised accredited provider or registered training organisation must, after carrying out the assessment, promptly—
  - (a) make a record of the assessment; and
  - (b) give a copy of it to the applicant.

Maximum penalty—20 penalty units.

<sup>13</sup> Part 3 (Prescribed occupations), 3A (Prescribed activities) or 4 (Workplace health and safety officers)

#### Part 5 Certificates

#### Division 1 Interpretation

#### 34 Definition for pt 5

In this part—

*certificate* means any of the following—

- (a) a certificate of registration of registrable plant;
- (b) a certificate of registration of registrable plant design;
- (c) a certificate to work in a prescribed occupation;
- (d) a certificate of authority of appointment of a workplace health and safety officer;
- (e) a certificate of appointment as an accredited provider;
- (f) a certificate to perform a prescribed activity.

#### Division 1A Applications for certificates

#### Subdivision 1 Certificates generally

#### 35 How to apply

An application for a certificate must be—

- (a) made to the chief executive in the approved form; and
- (b) supported by enough information to enable the chief executive to decide the application.

#### 36 Chief executive to decide application within 28 days

The chief executive must decide an application for a certificate within 28 days after the application is made.

#### 36A When chief executive must refuse application

- (1) The chief executive must refuse an application for a certificate if—
  - (a) the applicant had previously been granted the same type of certificate; and
  - (b) the chief executive had cancelled the certificate within the last 2 years.
- (2) In this section—

#### certificate does not include—

- (a) a certificate of registration of registrable plant; and
- (b) a certificate of registration of registrable plant design.

#### 37 Grant of certificate if application approved

- (1) If the chief executive decides to approve the application, the chief executive must grant the appropriate certificate in the approved form to the applicant within 10 days after making the decision.
- (2) The approval must include any conditions to which the certificate is subject.

#### 38 Refusal of application

- (1) If the chief executive decides to refuse the application, the chief executive must give written notice to the applicant of the decision within 10 days after making the decision.
- (2) The notice must state—
  - (a) the reasons for the refusal; and
  - (b) that the person may appeal against the decision under part 11<sup>14</sup> of the Act.

<sup>14</sup> Part 11 (Appeals) of the Act

#### 39 Grant of certificate on conditions

The chief executive may grant a certificate on conditions the chief executive considers appropriate.

# Subdivision 2 Provisions about certificates of registration of registrable plant design

#### 39A Application of sdiv 2

This subdivision applies to certificates of registration of registrable plant design.

#### 39B Definitions for sdiv 2

In this subdivision—

design verifier, for a design of plant, means a person who has acquired by qualifications or design experience the knowledge and skills to accurately state that the design, or the part of the design for which a design verification statement is to be made, complies with a particular technical standard or engineering principles.

engineering principles means principles, stated or outlined in an engineering, mathematical or scientific text, relevant to safe plant design, commonly used in professional engineering practice.

*technical standard*, for a design of plant, means a standard published by—

- (a) the chief executive; or
- (b) Standards Australia; or
- (c) another organisation that publishes standards about the design of plant.

Examples of paragraph (c)—

- American National Standards Institute
- American Society of Mechanical Engineers
- Canadian Standards Association

- International Standards Organisation
- Europaische Norm (European Standard)

## 39C Application for certificate of registration of registrable plant design

An application for a certificate of registration of registrable plant design must be accompanied by—

- (a) a statement in the approved form by a design verifier for the design stating (a *design verification statement*)—
  - (i) either—
    - (A) if the technical standard, or engineering principles, if any, complied with to produce the design or the part of the design for which the statement is made have a title—the title; or
    - (B) otherwise—a way of identifying the technical standard or engineering principles; and
  - (ii) that the design, or the part of the design, complies with the technical standard or engineering principles; and
- (b) representational drawings—
  - (i) on paper not larger than A3; or
  - (ii) in electronic form that when printed will be not larger than A3; and
- (c) the fee under schedule 1, section 3.

#### 39D Prohibitions relating to design verification statements

(1) An applicant for a certificate of registration of registrable plant design must not allow another person to make a design verification statement for any part of the design that the other person was involved in designing.

Maximum penalty—20 penalty units.

#### Workplace Health and Safety Regulation 1997

(2) A person must not make a design verification statement for any part of a design of plant that the person was involved in designing.

Maximum penalty—20 penalty units.

## 39E Chief executive may ask for additional information for registration

- (1) The chief executive may, in writing, require an applicant for a certificate of registration of registrable plant design to give the chief executive any of the following additional information—
  - (a) detailed drawings;
  - (b) design calculations;
  - (c) operating instructions;
  - (d) control system diagrams;
  - (e) the sequence of operation of the controls;
  - (f) maintenance requirements;
  - (g) a statement of the limits on the use of the plant;
  - (h) if the design was produced using a technical standard other than a Standards Australia standard—a copy of the standard;
  - (i) if the design was produced using engineering principles—a copy of the engineering principles.
- (2) The applicant must give the chief executive the information about the design, in English, within—
  - (a) 10 days after the requirement is made; or
  - (b) any further time the chief executive allows.
- (3) The chief executive may refuse the application if the applicant does not comply with the requirement.

### 39F Chief executive may require information from certificate holder

(1) The chief executive may, in writing, require the holder of a certificate of registration of registrable plant design to give the

chief executive any of the information mentioned in section 39E(1).

- (2) The holder must give the chief executive the information, in English, within 28 days after the requirement is made.
- (3) The holder must comply with the requirement unless the holder has a reasonable excuse.

Maximum penalty for subsection (3)—20 penalty units.

# Subdivision 3 Provisions about certificates of registration of registrable plant that is mobile crane or tower crane

#### 39G Application of sdiv 3

This subdivision applies to certificates of registration of registrable plant that is a mobile crane or tower crane specified in schedule 3.

#### 39H Definition for sdiv 3

In this subdivision—

#### competent person—

- (a) for an inspection on or after 1 February 2007 of a mobile crane or tower crane that is 10 years old or a multiple of 10 years—means an engineer; or
- (b) for any other inspection of a mobile crane or tower crane—means a person who—
  - (i) has a sound knowledge of relevant Australian Standards, relevant codes of practice and other relevant legislation; and
  - (ii) has a sound knowledge of, and competence in, the risk management process for the erection, operation, maintenance, repair, alteration and dismantling of cranes; and
  - (iii) has acquired, through training, qualifications or experience, the necessary skills to design

procedures for the inspection, maintenance and repair of the crane.

### 39I Application for certificate of registration of mobile crane or tower crane

An application for a certificate of registration must—

- (a) state the age of the mobile crane or tower crane; and
- (b) contain a statement by the owner of the crane that
  - during the period of 1 year before the application was made, the crane has been maintained in accordance with the instructions of the designer and manufacturer, and with relevant Australian Standards, relevant codes of practice and other relevant legislation; and
  - (ii) within 6 months before the application was made, the crane has been inspected by a competent person who has certified that—
    - (A) the crane has been maintained in accordance with the instructions of the designer and manufacturer, and with relevant Australian Standards, relevant codes of practice and other relevant legislation; and
    - (B) the crane is safe to use; and
- (c) state the name, address, contact details and qualifications of the competent person; and
- (d) state the date the competent person inspected the crane.

#### Division 2 Renewal of certain certificates

#### 40 Definition for div 2

In this division—

certificate means—

(a) a certificate of registration of registrable plant; or

(b) a certificate of authority for appointment as a workplace health and safety officer.

#### 41 Renewal of certificate

- (1) The holder of a certificate may apply to the chief executive for its renewal.
- (2) The application must be—
  - (a) made in the approved form; and
  - (b) supported by enough information to enable the chief executive to decide the application.

#### 42 Application for renewal before registration ends

An application for renewal of a certificate, other than a certificate of authority of appointment of a workplace health and safety officer, must be made at least 14 days before the certificate ends.

#### 43 Div 1A applies to application for renewal

- (1) Division 1A applies to an application for renewal of a certificate in the same way it applies to an application for a certificate.
- (2) However, the chief executive may refuse an application for renewal of a certificate if the certificate was—
  - (a) issued in error or because of a document or representation that is false, misleading or omits a material particular; or
  - (b) obtained or made in another improper way.

## Division 3 Replacement and surrender of certificates

#### 45 Replacement of certificate

(1) The holder of a lost, damaged or destroyed certificate may

- apply to the chief executive, in the approved form, for a replacement certificate.
- (2) The chief executive may replace the certificate if satisfied it has been lost, damaged or destroyed.

#### 46 Surrender of certificate

- (1) The holder of a certificate may surrender it by written notice given to the chief executive.
- (2) The notice must be accompanied by the certificate.
- (3) The surrender of the certificate takes effect—
  - (a) on the day on which the notice is given; or
  - (b) if a later day is stated in the notice—the later day.

## Division 4 Suspension and cancellation of certificates

#### 46A Grounds for suspension or cancellation

- (1) The chief executive may—
  - (a) suspend or cancel a certificate; or
  - (b) for a certificate to work in a prescribed occupation—recommend to a recognised official that the official suspend or cancel a certificate to work in a prescribed occupation granted or issued by the official;

on any of the grounds mentioned in subsection (2).

- (2) The grounds are as follows—
  - (a) the holder of the certificate has contravened the Act or this regulation;
  - (b) the certificate was—
    - (i) issued in error or because of a document or representation that is false, misleading or omits a material particular; or
    - (ii) obtained or made in another improper way;

- (c) the holder has not complied with a condition of the certificate;
- (d) the holder has not taken reasonable precautions or exercised proper diligence in performing the occupation, activity or function for which the certificate was granted;
- (e) for a certificate to work in a prescribed occupation or a certificate to perform a prescribed activity—the holder is medically unfit to perform work in the prescribed occupation or to perform the prescribed activity.

#### 46B Procedure for suspension or cancellation

- (1) Before taking the action mentioned in section 46A(1) (the *proposed action*), the chief executive must give the holder of the certificate a written notice (*show cause notice*) that—
  - (a) states the proposed action; and
  - (b) states the grounds for the proposed action; and
  - (c) outlines the facts and circumstances forming the basis for the grounds; and
  - (d) if the proposed action is suspension of the certificate or a recommendation that a recognised official suspend the certificate—states the proposed suspension term; and
  - (e) invites the holder to show, within a stated time of at least 28 days, why the proposed action should not be taken.
- (2) If, after considering all representations made within the stated time, the chief executive still considers grounds to take the proposed action exist, the chief executive may—
  - (a) if the certificate was granted by the chief executive and the show cause notice stated a proposal to suspend the certificate for a stated period—suspend the certificate for a period no longer than the stated period; or
  - (b) if the certificate was granted by the chief executive and the show cause notice stated a proposal to cancel the certificate—
    - (i) cancel the certificate; or

- (ii) suspend the certificate; or
- (c) if the certificate was granted by a recognised official—recommend to the official that the official suspend or cancel the certificate in accordance with the chief executive's recommendation.

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- (3) The chief executive must inform the holder of the decision by written notice.
- (4) The notice must be given within 10 days after the chief executive makes the decision.
- (5) If the chief executive decides to suspend or cancel the certificate, or to recommend that a recognised official suspend or cancel the certificate, the notice must state—
  - (a) the reasons for the decision; and
  - (b) that the holder may appeal against the decision under part 11<sup>15</sup> of the Act.
- (6) The decision takes effect on the later of the following—
  - (a) the day the notice is given to the holder;
  - (b) the day stated in the notice.

## 46C Suspension or cancellation of certificate to work in prescribed occupation on recommendation of recognised official

- (1) This section applies to a certificate to work in a prescribed occupation granted by the chief executive to a person if—
  - (a) a recognised official recommends in writing to the chief executive that the chief executive suspend or cancel the person's certificate; and
  - (b) the recommendation is made only after the official—
    - (i) has given the person a reasonable opportunity to show cause why the certificate should not be suspended or cancelled; and

<sup>15</sup> Part 11 (Appeals) of the Act

- (ii) has considered all written or oral submissions made by or for the person to the official about why the proposed action should not be taken.
- (2) The chief executive may suspend or cancel the person's certificate without complying with sections 46A and 46B.<sup>16</sup>
- (3) If the chief executive decides to cancel or suspend the person's certificate, the chief executive must give the person written notice of the decision stating—
  - (a) the reasons for the decision; and
  - (b) that the person may appeal against the decision under part 11 of the Act.
- (4) The suspension or cancellation of the certificate takes effect on the day stated in the notice, not earlier than 14 days from the day the notice is given.

#### 46D Certificate to be returned

(1) A person whose certificate is suspended or cancelled must return the certificate to the chief executive within 14 days after the suspension or cancellation takes effect, unless the person has a reasonable excuse.

Maximum penalty—20 penalty units.

(2) If a suspended certificate is returned to the chief executive, the chief executive must return it to the holder at the end of the suspension term.

## Part 6 Notifiable building and construction work

#### 47 Notification of building and construction work

(1) This section applies if—

<sup>16</sup> Sections 46A (Grounds for suspension or cancellation) and 46B (Procedure for suspension or cancellation)

- (a) building and construction work is to be done; and
- (b) the cost of the building and construction work is \$80000 or more.
- (2) The person who is mentioned in the *Building and Construction Industry (Portable Long Service Leave) Act* 1991, section 74<sup>17</sup> must—
  - (a) file an approved form with the Authority or its agent; and
  - (b) pay the appropriate fee (if any).<sup>18</sup>

Maximum penalty—30 penalty units.

- (3) The form must be filed and the fee paid when a levy would be payable under that Act, whether or not a levy is actually payable.<sup>19</sup>
- (4) The approved form may be combined in the same document as the form required under the *Building and Construction Industry (Portable Long Service Leave) Act 1991*, section 67.<sup>20</sup>
- (5) In this section—

*approved form* includes a written notice containing the information required by the approved form.

#### 48 Exemption from payment of fees

- (1) A person is not required to pay a fee for the notification of building and construction work—
  - (c) if the work is to be done under an owner-builder permit; or

<sup>17</sup> Building and Construction Industry (Portable Long Service Leave) Act 1991, section 74 (Liability for levy)

<sup>18</sup> Fees are prescribed in schedule 1.

<sup>19</sup> See the *Building and Construction Industry (Portable Long Service Leave) Act* 1991, sections 75 (When levy is payable) and 76 (Government entity to notify authority of building and construction work).

<sup>20</sup> Building and Construction Industry (Portable Long Service Leave) Act 1991, section 67 (Notification of building and construction work)

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- (d) for a voluntary component of the work to be done by, or for, a nonprofit organisation; or
- (e) if the work, or part of the work, is to be done for a person who is not substantially engaged in the building and construction industry by the person or the person's workers—for the work or part of the work; or
- (f) if the work, or part of the work, is to be done for a government by its workers—for the work or part of the work.
- (2) The person must prove the entitlement to an exemption under subsection (1) to the Authority's satisfaction.
- (3) In this section—

**government** means a local government, a government entity, or a non-Queensland government entity.

*government entity* see the *Building and Construction Industry* (*Portable Long Service Leave*) *Act 1991*, section 3.<sup>21</sup>

nonprofit organisation see the Building and Construction Industry (Portable Long Service Leave) Act 1991, section 79.22

non-Queensland government entity see the Building and Construction Industry (Portable Long Service Leave) Act 1991, section 3.

owner-builder permit see the Queensland Building Services Authority Act 1991, section 4.23

substantially engaged in the building and construction industry see the Building and Construction Industry (Portable Long Service Leave) Act 1991, section 4.24

<sup>21</sup> Building and Construction Industry (Portable Long Service Leave) Act 1991, section 3 (Definitions)

<sup>22</sup> Building and Construction Industry (Portable Long Service Leave) Act 1991, section 79 (Voluntary performance of building and construction work)

<sup>23</sup> Queensland Building Services Authority Act 1991, section 4 (Definitions)

<sup>24</sup> Building and Construction Industry (Portable Long Service Leave) Act 1991, section 4 (Meaning of substantially engaged in the building and construction industry)

voluntary component see the Building and Construction Industry (Portable Long Service Leave) Act 1991, section 79.

#### 49 Recovering unpaid fees

- (1) This section applies if the Authority reasonably suspects that someone is liable to pay a fee for building and construction work.
- (2) The Authority may, by written notice, require the person to give the information and documents about the work asked for in the notice within a stated reasonable time.
- (3) The person must comply with the notice, unless the person has a reasonable excuse.
  - Maximum penalty—30 penalty units.
- (4) If the Authority, after considering the information and documents, considers the fee payable for the work is more than the fee that has been paid, the Authority may (by written notice) require the person to pay the unpaid fee within a stated reasonable time.
- (5) The person must comply with the notice, unless the person has a reasonable excuse.
  - Maximum penalty—30 penalty units.
- (6) The Authority must waive the unpaid fee if satisfied—
  - (a) the cost of the work for which the fee has been paid was a reasonable estimate; and
  - (b) the correct fee for the cost of the work was paid; and
  - (c) the difference between the cost of the work for which the fee was paid and the actual cost of the work is \$20000 or less.

#### 50 Refund of fees

(1) A person who has paid the fee for building and construction work is entitled to a proportionate refund of the fee if the person satisfies the Authority that the work—

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- (a) has not been done; and
- (b) is not to be done.
- (2) A person who has paid the fee for building and construction work is entitled to a proportionate refund of the fee if the person satisfies the Authority that—
  - (a) the building and construction work for which the fee was paid is wholly or partly completed; and
  - (b) the actual cost of the work is at least \$20000 less than the cost for which the fee was paid.
- (3) A person must apply to the Authority, in writing, for a refund within 1 year after the work is finished.
- (4) An application for a refund may be made on more than 1 occasion for the same work.

#### 51 Start and finish of building and construction work

The Authority may decide, for this division, the day on which building and construction work starts and the day on which it finishes.

## Part 7 Injuries, illnesses and dangerous events

#### 52 Notifying of particular workplace incidents

- (1) This section applies if any of the following workplace incidents happen at a workplace—
  - (a) an incident resulting in a person suffering a work injury that is a serious bodily injury;
  - (b) a work caused illness;
  - (c) a dangerous event.
- (2) The following persons must give the chief executive notice of the workplace incident—

- (a) for a workplace where construction work is being performed and a principal contractor has been appointed for the work—the principal contractor;
- (b) for any other workplace—
  - (i) if the workplace incident does not cause a death—the relevant person; or
  - (ii) if the workplace incident causes the death of—
    - (A) a relevant person—the person next in charge of the workplace; or
    - (B) any other person—the relevant person.

Maximum penalty—20 penalty units.

- (3) The person must give the notice—
  - (a) in the approved form within 24 hours after the person becomes aware of the workplace incident happening; or
  - (b) if the workplace incident causes a death—
    - (i) promptly after the person becomes aware of the death; and
    - (ii) in the approved form within 24 hours after the person becomes aware of the death.

Example of a prompt notification under paragraph (b)(i)—a notification by phone or fax

- (4) If the workplace incident involves a relevant person, or a worker of a relevant person who is an employer, at a workplace where construction work is being performed and a principal contractor has been appointed for the work, the relevant person must—
  - (a) immediately notify the principal contractor that the workplace incident has happened; and
  - (b) give the principal contractor any help the principal contractor may reasonably require to complete an approved form under subsection (3) for the workplace incident.

Maximum penalty—20 penalty units.

- (5) A person required to notify the chief executive under this section does not commit an offence if—
  - (a) the person did not know, and could not reasonably be expected to know, of the workplace incident; or
  - (b) the person—
    - (i) was incapacitated by the work caused illness or work injury; and
    - (ii) notifies the chief executive as soon as reasonably practicable after the person is no longer incapacitated.
- (6) A relevant person required to notify the principal contractor and give the principal contractor help under subsection (4) does not commit an offence if—
  - (a) the relevant person did not know, and could not reasonably be expected to know, of the workplace incident; or
  - (b) the relevant person—
    - (i) was incapacitated by the work caused illness or work injury; and
    - (ii) notifies the principal contractor as soon as reasonably practicable after the relevant person is no longer incapacitated.

#### 53 Recording particular workplace incidents

- (1) This section applies if a workplace incident happens at a workplace.
- (2) If the workplace incident results in a person suffering a work injury or a work caused illness, the following persons must make a record of the workplace incident—
  - (a) if the workplace incident happens at a workplace where construction work is being performed and a principal contractor has been appointed for the work—the principal contractor;
  - (b) if the workplace incident happens at any other workplace—

- (i) if the incident results in a worker suffering a work injury or a work caused illness—the relevant person who is the worker's employer; or
- (ii) if the incident results in a relevant person suffering a work injury or a work caused illness—the relevant person.

Maximum penalty—20 penalty units.

- (3) If the workplace incident results in a dangerous event, the following persons must make a record of the workplace incident—
  - (a) if the workplace incident happens at a workplace where construction work is being performed and a principal contractor has been appointed for the work—the principal contractor;
  - (b) if the workplace incident happens at any other workplace—the relevant person at the workplace.

Maximum penalty—20 penalty units.

- (4) A record under subsection (2) or (3) must be—
  - (a) made in the approved form within 3 days after the person required to make the record becomes aware of the workplace incident happening; and
  - (b) kept by the person required to make the record for 1 year after it was made.
- (5) If the workplace incident involves a relevant person, or a worker of a relevant person who is an employer, at a workplace where construction work is being performed and a principal contractor has been appointed for the work, the relevant person must give the principal contractor for the construction work any help the principal contractor may reasonably require to complete a record under subsection (2) or (3) for the workplace incident.

Maximum penalty—20 penalty units.

- (6) A person required to make a record under this section does not commit an offence if—
  - (a) the person did not know, and could not reasonably be expected to know, of the workplace incident; or

- (b) the person—
  - (i) was incapacitated by the work caused illness or work injury; and
  - (ii) makes the record as soon as reasonably practicable after the person is no longer incapacitated.

#### 54 Scene not to be interfered with

- (1) This section applies if—
  - (a) a person suffers serious bodily injury or a work caused illness at a workplace; or
  - (b) a dangerous event happens at a workplace.
- (2) A person must not move or otherwise interfere with any plant or other thing connected with the injury, illness or event without the permission of an inspector or, if an inspector is not available, a police officer.

Maximum penalty—20 penalty units.

- (3) A person does not commit an offence against subsection (2) if the movement or interference is necessary—
  - (a) to save life or relieve suffering; or
  - (b) to prevent injury to a person or property damage.

## Part 7A Access—employers doing work that is not construction work

#### 54A Employers—access

- (1) This section applies to an employer doing<sup>25</sup> work, that is not construction work, at a workplace.
- (2) The employer must ensure that—

<sup>25</sup> See section 3B (References to the doing of work by employer).

- (a) there is appropriate, safe and clear access to and from the workplace for each of the employer's workers working or about to work at the workplace; and
- (b) all other means of access at the workplace are safe and

Maximum penalty—20 penalty units.

#### Part 10 Noise

#### 68 What is excessive noise

(1) In this part—

excessive noise is a level of noise above—

- (a) an 8 hour equivalent continuous A-weighted sound pressure level of 85dB(A), referenced to 20µPa;<sup>26</sup> or
- (b) a C-weighted peak sound pressure level of 140dB(C), referenced to 20µPa.<sup>27</sup>
- (2) For subsection (1), the sound pressure level is the level determined at the worker's ear without regard to the protection available to a worker wearing hearing protectors, and measured—
  - (a) for an 8 hour equivalent continuous A-weighted sound pressure level of 85dB(A)—under AS/NZS 1269.1;<sup>28</sup> or
  - (b) for a C-weighted peak sound pressure level of 140dB(C)—by a sound level meter with a peak detector indicator complying with AS IEC 61672.1.<sup>29</sup>

<sup>26</sup> The symbol for this sound pressure level is  $L_{Aeq,8h}$  of 85dB(A). ' $\mu Pa$ ' means micropascals.

<sup>27</sup> The symbol for this sound pressure level is  $L_{C,peak}$  140dB. ' $\mu Pa$ ' means micropascals.

<sup>28</sup> AS/NZS 1269.1 (Occupational noise management—Measurement and assessment of noise immission and exposure)

<sup>29</sup> AS IEC 61672.1 (Electroacoustics–Sound level meters–Specifications)

#### 69 Preventing risk from exposure to excessive noise

- (1) A relevant person who is an employer must not expose the employer's workers to excessive noise at work.
- (2) Subsection (1) is a workplace health and safety obligation for the Act.

#### Part 11 Asbestos

#### Division 1 Interpretation

#### 69A Definitions for pt 11

In this part—

asbestos management code means NOHSC's document entitled 'Code of Practice for the Management and Control of Asbestos in Workplaces [NOHSC:2018 (2005)]'.

asbestos removal code means NOHSC's document entitled 'Code of Practice for the Safe Removal of Asbestos [NOHSC:2002 (2005)]'.<sup>30</sup>

asbestos removalist means a person who holds a certificate under section 29B<sup>31</sup> to perform asbestos removal work.

#### Division 2 Prohibitions relating to asbestos

#### 69B Prohibited substances and prohibited ACM

(1) A relevant person must not use a prohibited substance or prohibited ACM mentioned in schedule 7<sup>32</sup> for a prohibited

<sup>30</sup> Copies of the codes are available on the department's website <www.deir.qld.gov.au>.

<sup>31</sup> Section 29B (Certificate to perform prescribed activity)

<sup>32</sup> Schedule 7 (Prohibited substances, prohibited ACM and prohibited purposes)

- purpose mentioned in that schedule for the substance or material at the relevant person's workplace.
- (2) A relevant person who is an employer must not allow a worker of the employer to use a prohibited substance or prohibited ACM mentioned in schedule 7 for a prohibited purpose mentioned in that schedule for the substance or material at the relevant person's workplace.
- (3) Subsections (1) and (2) are workplace health and safety obligations for the Act.

#### 69C Performing work on ACM

- (1) A relevant person must not perform work on ACM other than in accordance with the asbestos management code.
- (2) A relevant person who is an employer must not allow a worker of the employer to perform work on ACM other than in accordance with the asbestos management code.
- (3) Subsections (1) and (2) are workplace health and safety obligations for the Act.

#### 69D Removing ACM

- (1) A relevant person must not remove ACM other than in accordance with the asbestos removal code.
- (2) A relevant person who is an employer must not allow a worker of the employer to remove ACM other than in accordance with the asbestos management code.
- (3) Subsections (1) and (2) are workplace health and safety obligations for the Act.

#### 69E Cleaning ACM

- (1) A relevant person must not use—
  - (a) a power tool or power appliance to clean ACM; or

Examples of paragraph (a)—

 using an electric sander to clean asbestos-cement sheeting before painting it

- using an electric wire brush to remove an asbestos gasket from plant
- (b) a high pressure water process to clean ACM; or

Examples of paragraph (b)—

- using a water blaster to clean an asbestos-cement sheeting roof
- using a water blaster to clean up debris left after removing an asbestos-cement sheeting roof
- (c) compressed air or abrasive blasting to clean—
  - (i) ACM; or

Example of compliance with subparagraph (i)—

using a vacuum cleaner suitable for use with asbestos dust to clean vehicle brake or clutch systems fitted with parts containing asbestos rather than blowing the dust away with compressed air

(ii) a surface where ACM is present.

Example of noncompliance with subparagraph (ii)—

using compressed air to blow dust from clothing after working with asbestos-cement sheeting

- (2) A relevant person who is an employer must not allow a worker of the employer to use—
  - (a) a power tool or power appliance to clean ACM; or
  - (b) a high pressure water process to clean ACM; or
  - (c) compressed air or abrasive blasting to clean—
    - (i) ACM; or
    - (ii) a surface where ACM is present.
- (3) Subsections (1) and (2) are workplace health and safety obligations for the Act.

#### Division 3 On-site management of ACM

#### Subdivision 1 Particular buildings

#### 70 Application of sdiv 1

This subdivision applies to a building to which part 11, division 1,<sup>33</sup> as in force from time to time before 1 January 2006 (the *repealed division*), applied if—

- (a) the owner of the building had at any time an obligation to comply with the repealed division; and
- (b) the owner had not complied with the repealed division.

#### 71 Compliance with asbestos management code

- (1) The owner of the building must comply with the asbestos management code.
- (2) Subsection (1) is a workplace health and safety obligation for the Act.

#### Subdivision 2 Particular structures

#### 72 Application of sdiv 2

(1) This subdivision applies to a structure or a part of a structure that is a workplace only if all or part of the structure was built under an approval given by a local government before 1 January 1990.

Examples for subsection (1)—

- a structure built in 1989
- a structure started in 1989 but completed in 1990
- a structure built in 1990 under an approval given in 1989

<sup>33</sup> The repealed division was part 11 (Asbestos), division 1 (On-site management of asbestos materials).

(2) However, this division does not apply to a structure used for domestic residential purposes.

Examples of structures used for domestic residential purposes—

- house
- townhouse
- block of units

#### 73 Compliance with asbestos management code

- (1) The owner of the structure or part must comply with the asbestos management code on or before 1 January 2008.
- (2) However, if a relevant event is proposed for the structure or part before 1 January 2008, the owner must comply with the asbestos management code before the relevant event happens.
- (3) If the relevant event is altering the structure or part or offering the structure or part for sale or lease, subsection (2) applies only to the first time the structure or part is offered for sale or lease.
- (4) Subsections (1) and (2) are workplace health and safety obligations for the Act.
- (5) In this section—

dismantle means systematically dismantle or remove a part of a structure for alteration, maintenance, remodelling, renovation or repair.

*relevant event*, for a structure or part of a structure, means the structure or part is to be—

- (a) offered for sale or lease; or
- (b) altered; or
- (c) dismantled; or
- (d) demolished.

#### Division 4 Asbestos removal work

#### 74 Performing asbestos removal work

- (1) An asbestos removalist must not perform asbestos removal work other than in accordance with the asbestos removal code.
- (2) The owner of a structure or place where asbestos removal work is to be performed, or a person engaged by the owner to supervise or arrange for the work to be performed, must comply with the asbestos removal code, part 7.2<sup>34</sup> as if the owner or person were a client within the meaning of the asbestos removal code.
- (3) Subsections (1) and (2) are workplace health and safety obligations for the Act.

#### Part 12 Underwater diving work

#### Division 1 Definitions for part 12

#### 76 Meaning of *underwater diving work*

*Underwater diving work* means work conducted underwater while breathing compressed gas.

#### 77 Meaning of construction diving work

- (1) **Construction diving work** means underwater diving work to assemble, construct, demolish, dismantle, install, clean, inspect, maintain, remove, repair, salvage, sample, search for, photograph, film, video or make a sound recording of a thing, or part of a thing, mentioned in subsection (2).
- (2) For subsection (1), the things are as follows—

<sup>34</sup> Asbestos removal code, part 7.2 (Responsibilities of clients)

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- (a) a building;
- (b) a bridge;
- (c) a pile or a structure supported by piles;
- (d) a jetty, pontoon, wharf, mooring or slipway;
- (e) a navigational aid;
- (f) a pipe, cable or tunnel;
- (g) scaffolding, whether or not for use with a building;
- (h) a drilling rig;
- (i) an oil or gas well platform;
- a weir or the structure or machinery of a dam or other artificial water storage, other than a swimming pool or aquarium;
- (k) a craft or vehicle for use in, on or above water or land.
- (3) **Construction diving work** includes underwater diving work associated with dredging, reclamation of land or other earthworks.
- (4) However, *construction diving work* does not include underwater diving work—
  - (a) for inspecting, sampling, photographing, filming, videoing or making a sound recording—
    - (i) for the entertainment or publishing industry; or
    - (ii) for tourism; or
    - (iii) for the print or electronic media; or
    - (iv) for art; or
    - (v) for genuine scientific research; or
    - (vi) for scientific management of natural resources; or
       Example of subparagraph (vi)—
       scientific management of the Great Barrier Reef or fish stocks
  - (b) for inspecting, sampling, photographing, filming, videoing or making a sound recording of—

- (i) a protected object under the *Queensland Heritage Act 1992*; or
- (ii) an object to decide its cultural heritage significance under that Act; or
- (iii) an historic relic or historic shipwreck under the *Historic Shipwrecks Act 1976* (Cwlth); or
- (c) for photographing, filming, videoing or making a sound recording while and for the purpose of conducting recreational diving or recreational technical diving, or training to go recreational diving or recreational technical diving; or
- (d) for photographing, filming, videoing or making a sound recording of persons doing recreational diving or recreational technical diving if the photographing, filming, videoing or sound recording is to be used for a souvenir; or
- (e) done in a marina or the ocean for cleaning, inspecting, maintaining or searching for a vessel or mooring solely or mainly used in the tourism industry.

Examples of vessels used in the tourism industry—

- glass bottom boats used for tours of a reef
- boats used to transport tourists to a reef or island
- yachts hired to sail around islands
- fishing charter boats
- (5) It is immaterial whether or not a thing mentioned in subsection (2) is floating or wrecked.

## Division 2 All underwater diving work—medical fitness to dive

#### 78 Requirements about certificate of medical fitness to dive

(1) An employer, self-employed person or other person who conducts a business or undertaking must not—

(a) do underwater diving work as a work activity performer<sup>35</sup> for the business or undertaking unless subsection (2) is complied with; or

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(b) allow a work activity performer for the business or undertaking to do underwater diving work unless subsection (2) is complied with.

#### (2) For subsection (1)—

- (a) the employer, self-employed person or other person must hold an original or copy of a certificate of medical fitness to dive<sup>36</sup> for the work activity performer for the business or undertaking that appears to be current; and
- (b) the work the work activity performer is to do must not be contrary to any limitations on diving stated in the certificate.
- (3) The employer, self-employed person or other person must keep the certificate or copy for at least 1 year after the certificate stops being current.
- (4) Subsections (1) and (3) are workplace health and safety obligations for the Act.

Note-

See section 24<sup>37</sup> of the Act for the penalty for failing to discharge the obligations.

(5) In this section—

*current* for a certificate of medical fitness to dive means—

- (a) the certificate is not replaced or revoked and has not expired; and
- (b) is not more than 1 year old.

#### 79 Contents of certificate of medical fitness to dive

(1) A certificate of medical fitness to dive must show its date of issue and the certificate holder's name.

<sup>35</sup> See schedule 9, definition work activity performer.

<sup>36</sup> See schedule 9, definition *certificate of medical fitness to dive.* 

<sup>37</sup> Section 24 (Discharge of obligations) of the Act

- (2) If the certificate holder is at least 18, the certificate must also show that—
  - (a) the holder is medically fit to dive in accordance with the relevant fitness criteria; or
  - (b) subject to a limitation on diving stated in the certificate, the holder is medically fit to dive in accordance with the relevant fitness criteria.
- (3) If the certificate holder is under 18, and no limitations on diving are imposed on medical grounds, the certificate must also show that—
  - (a) apart from being under 18, the holder is medically fit to dive in accordance with the relevant fitness criteria; and
  - (b) no limitations on diving are needed even though the holder is under 18.
- (4) If the certificate holder is under 18, and limitations on diving are imposed on medical grounds, the certificate must also show—
  - (a) that subject to the limitations on diving stated in the certificate, the holder is medically fit to dive in accordance with the relevant fitness criteria; and
  - (b) any limitations imposed because the holder is under 18.
- (5) In this section—

*relevant fitness criteria* means the fitness criteria stated in AS/NZS 2299, part 1, appendix K, paragraph K4<sup>38</sup> as published on 5 March 1999.

<sup>38</sup> AS/NZS 2299 (Occupational diving operations), part 1 (Standard operational practice), appendix K (Guidance for medical practitioners), paragraph K4 (Fitness criteria)

# Division 3 Underwater diving work other than conducting recreational diving or recreational technical diving

Note—

See also division 2 (All underwater diving work—medical fitness to dive).

#### Subdivision 1 Preliminary

#### 80 Application of div 3

This division does not apply to underwater diving work consisting of conducting recreational diving or recreational technical diving.

### 81 Meaning of *competent person* for construction diving work

A person is a *competent person* for construction diving work if the person holds an ADAS diving certificate under which the diving involved in the work may be done.

## 82 Meaning of *competent person* for other underwater diving work

- (1) A person described in any of the following sections is a *competent person* for underwater diving work other than construction diving work—
  - (a) section 83;
  - (b) section 84(1) or (2);
  - (c) section 85;
  - (d) section 86;
  - (e) section 86AA.

- (2) However, section 86 does not apply in relation to the use of the words 'competent person' in section 86AC(2) or 86AD(2)(b).<sup>39</sup>
- (3) This subsection and subsection (1)(e) expire on 31 October 2008.

## 83 Competent person for s 82—holder of ADAS diving certificate for the diving

For section 82, the person is the holder of an ADAS diving certificate under which the diving involved in the underwater diving work may be done.

#### 84 Competent person for s 82—holder of certification under Australian Qualifications Framework

- (1) For section 82, the person is the holder of a statement of attainment from a registered training organisation in relation to training that—
  - (a) is relevant in a substantial way to the work; and
  - (b) is provided within the registered training organisation's scope of registration.
- (2) For section 82, the person—
  - (a) is the holder of a statement of attainment from a registered training organisation in relation to training in performing diver rescues—
    - (i) that includes the elements of competency mentioned in subsection (3); and
    - (ii) is provided within the registered training organisation's scope of registration; and
  - (b) has acquired through training, qualifications or experience, the knowledge and skills mentioned in the elements of competency and performance criteria in AS

<sup>39</sup> Section 86AC (Process to be carried out before work starts) or 86AD (Process to be carried out each time there is a significant change)

2815, parts 1 to 4<sup>40</sup> relevant to the underwater diving work.

- (3) For subsection (2)(a)(i), the elements of competency are as follows—
  - (a) demonstrate knowledge of diver physiology;
  - (b) demonstrate diver rescue skills;
  - (c) use supplemental oxygen.

## 85 Competent person for s 82—holder of certificate for AS 4005.2 subject areas

For section 82, the person—

- (a) is the holder of a certificate showing that the person has successfully finished training in the subject areas mentioned in AS 4005, part 2<sup>41</sup> from a recreational scuba training organisation; and
- (b) has acquired through training, qualifications or experience, the knowledge and skills mentioned in the elements of competency and performance criteria in AS 2815, parts 1 to 4 relevant to the underwater diving work.

## 86 Competent person for s 82—person doing underwater diving work on no more than 28 days in the last 6 months

- (1) For section 82, the person is someone who—
  - (a) is a person mentioned in subsection (2) or (3); and
  - (b) is being personally supervised in the water by a person who—
    - (i) is a competent person for construction diving work; or
    - (ii) is described in section 83, 84(1) or (2) or 85; and

<sup>40</sup> AS 2815 (Training and certification of occupational divers), parts 1 (SCUBA diving to 30m), 2 (Air diving to 30m), 3 (Air diving to 50m) and 4 (Bell diving)

<sup>41</sup> AS 4005 (Training and certification of recreational divers), part 2 (Recreational SCUBA dive supervisor)

- (c) has acquired, through training, qualifications or experience the knowledge and skills to do the work in a safe way, including a sound knowledge of the following—
  - (i) the application of diving physics;
  - (ii) the use of diving equipment, including emergency equipment;
  - (iii) the use of decompression tables or dive computers;
  - (iv) ways of communicating with a diver during underwater diving work;
  - (v) how to safely perform underwater diving work of the same type as the underwater diving work;
  - (vi) the use, inspection and maintenance of diving equipment and air supply of the same type that is being used for the underwater diving work;
  - (vii) diving physiology and first aid;
  - (viii) provisions of the Act, this regulation or AS/NZS 2299, part 1 relevant to the underwater diving work.

#### (2) For subsection (1)(a)—

- (a) the person has done no underwater diving in the 6 months immediately before the underwater diving work is done; and
- (b) before that 6 months, has spent at least 15 hours doing underwater diving, of which at least 8 hours 20 minutes were spent within a depth of 10m above or below the maximum depth at which the underwater diving work is being done.
- (3) Alternatively for subsection (1)(a)—
  - (a) the person has done underwater diving work on no more than 28 days in the 6 months immediately before the underwater diving work is done; and
  - (b) at any time has spent at least 15 hours doing underwater diving, of which at least 8 hours 20 minutes were spent within a depth of 10m above or below the maximum

depth at which the underwater diving work is being done.

## 86AA Competent person for s 82—someone who has spent at least 15 hours doing the same type of work as the underwater diving work

- (1) For section 82, the person is someone who—
  - (a) has spent at least 15 hours doing underwater diving work of the same type as the underwater diving work mentioned in section 82(1), of which at least 8 hours 20 minutes were spent within a depth of 10m above or below the maximum depth at which that underwater diving work is being or is to be done; and
  - (b) has acquired, through training, qualifications or experience the knowledge and skills to do the work in a safe way, including a sound knowledge of the matters mentioned in section 86(c)(i) to (viii).
- (2) This section expires on 31 October 2008.

# Subdivision 2 Proof of competency for underwater diving work other than construction diving work

### 86AB Proof of competency

- (1) This section applies to underwater diving work other than construction diving work.<sup>42</sup>
- (2) An employer, self-employed person or other person who conducts a business or undertaking must not—
  - (a) do underwater diving work as a work activity performer for the business or undertaking unless subsection (3) is complied with; or

<sup>42</sup> For qualifications required for construction diving work, see section 86AM (ADAS diving certificate for the diving is required).

### Workplace Health and Safety Regulation 1997

(b) allow a work activity performer for the business or undertaking to do underwater diving work unless subsection (3) is complied with.

### (3) For subsection (2)—

- (a) the employer, self-employed person or other person must hold proof that the work activity performer for the business or undertaking is a competent person for the work; and
- (b) the work the work activity performer is to do must not be contrary to any restrictions stated in the proof of competency.
- (4) The employer, self-employed person or other person must keep the proof of competency for at least 1 year after the work done under subsection (2) in reliance on the proof of competency ends.
- (5) Subsections (2) and (4) are workplace health and safety obligations for the Act.

Note—

See section 24 of the Act for the penalty for failing to discharge the obligations.

# Subdivision 3 Risk assessment and control measure process at particular stages

#### 86AC Process to be carried out before work starts

- (1) This section applies to underwater diving work to be done by an employer, self-employed person or other person who conducts a business or undertaking.<sup>43</sup>
- (2) Before the work starts, the employer, self-employed person or other person must ensure that the process set out in subsection(3) (the *process*) is carried out by a competent person for the underwater diving work.

<sup>43</sup> See section 3BA (References to the doing of work by person who conducts a business or undertaking).

Maximum penalty—30 penalty units.

- (3) The process is—
  - (a) identify the hazards associated with the work; and
  - (b) assess the risk of death, illness or injury that may result because of the hazards; and
  - (c) decide on and implement control measures to prevent, or minimise the level of, exposure to the risks.
- (4) The assessment of risk must take into account—
  - (a) the level of competence in underwater diving of the person who is to do the work; and
  - (b) each factor mentioned in AS/NZS 2299, part 1, appendix D, paragraph D2.4.44
- (5) In deciding on the control measures, the hierarchy of control measures mentioned in AS/NZS 2299, part 1, appendix D, paragraph D3.2<sup>45</sup> must be taken into account.

## 86AD Process to be carried out each time there is a significant change

- (1) This section applies if the process has been carried out under section 86AC(2).
- (2) Each time there is a change mentioned in subsection (3), the employer, self-employed person or other person who conducts a business or undertaking—
  - (a) if the work has started—must ensure that the work stops immediately; and
  - (b) must not start or restart the work, or allow the work to start or restart, unless a competent person for the underwater diving work, who is out of the water, has carried out the process again.

<sup>44</sup> AS/NZS 2299 (Occupational diving operations), part 1 (Standard operational practice), appendix D (Hazard identification, risk assessment and control), paragraph D2.4 (Factors for consideration)

<sup>45</sup> AS/NZS 2299 (Occupational diving operations), part 1 (Standard operational practice), appendix D (Hazard identification, risk assessment and control), paragraph D3.2 (Control measures)

Maximum penalty—30 penalty units.

- (3) For subsection (2), the change is—
  - (a) a significant change in the way the work is to be done from the way the underwater diving work was to be done when the process was last carried out for the work; or
  - (b) a significant adverse change in the environmental conditions affecting the diving from the conditions prevailing when the process was last carried out for the work.

Examples of adverse changes in environmental conditions—

- reduced underwater visibility resulting from work tasks disturbing sediment
- increased current and surge action

## 86AE Work not to start or restart unless diver has read, understood and signed record of process

- (1) This section applies if the process has been carried out under section 86AC(2) or section 86AD(2).
- (2) The employer, self-employed person or other person who conducts a business or undertaking must not start or restart the underwater diving work as a work activity performer for the business or undertaking unless the employer, self-employed person or other person—
  - (a) has read and understood the record of the process made under section 86AF; and
  - (b) signed an acknowledgement, on the record, that the employer, self-employed person or other person has read the record.

Maximum penalty—30 penalty units.

- (3) The employer, self-employed person or other person must not allow a work activity performer for the business or undertaking to start or restart the underwater diving work unless the work activity performer—
  - (a) has read and understood the record of the process made under section 86AF; and

(b) signed an acknowledgement, on the record, that the work activity performer has read the record.

Maximum penalty—30 penalty units.

### 86AF Record to be kept for each time process is carried out

- (1) This section applies if the process has been carried out under section 86AC(2) or section 86AD(2).
- (2) The employer, self-employed person or other person who conducts a business or undertaking must ensure that a written record is made of the following for the process before the underwater diving work is started or restarted or is allowed to start or restart—
  - (a) the date the process is carried out;
  - (b) the date the work is to start or restart and end;
  - (c) the work;
  - (d) the location of the dive site;
  - (e) the name of each person at the dive site who will be involved in the work;
  - (f) each hazard identified;
  - (g) for each hazard identified—the assessment of the risk of death, illness or injury that may result because of the hazard;
  - (h) each control measure decided on.

Maximum penalty—30 penalty units.

- (3) The employer or self-employed person or other person who conducts a business or undertaking must—
  - (a) make the written record of the process available for inspection, out of the water at the dive site, by anyone involved in the work; and
  - (b) keep the record for at least 1 year after the last day it is used for the work.

Maximum penalty—30 penalty units.

### 86AG Control measure to be in place and monitored and reviewed

- (1) This section applies if a control measure (an *original control measure*) is implemented under this subdivision for a risk.
- (2) The employer, self-employed person or other person who conducts a business or undertaking and who implemented the original control measure must ensure that, while the risk exists—
  - (a) the original control measure is kept in place; or
  - (b) a different control measure necessary to prevent, or minimise the level of, exposure to the risk is implemented and kept in place.

Maximum penalty—30 penalty units.

- (3) The employer, self-employed person or other person who conducts a business or undertaking and who implemented the original control measure must monitor and review the effectiveness of—
  - (a) the original control measure; or
  - (b) a different control measure implemented under subsection (2)(b).

Maximum penalty—30 penalty units.

### Subdivision 4 Dive safety log

### 86AH Dive safety log—log must be kept

(1) An employer, self-employed person or other person who conducts a business or undertaking must ensure that a dive safety log is kept about each dive, in doing underwater diving work, done by a work activity performer for the business or undertaking.

Examples of dives for which information must be recorded in a dive safety log kept by an employer who is an individual—

a dive by a worker or by the employer

Maximum penalty—30 penalty units.

### Workplace Health and Safety Regulation 1997

(2) The dive safety log must be written and comply with section 86AI.

### 86Al Dive safety log—required information about dives

- (1) The dive safety log must state the following information—
  - (a) the diver's name;
  - (b) the name of any co-diver with whom the dive is done;
  - (c) the name of any dive supervisor;
  - (d) the date and location of the dive;
  - (e) time in;
  - (f) time out;
  - (g) maximum depth of the dive;
  - (h) any incident, problem, discomfort or injury experienced or suffered by the diver;
  - (i) if the dive was done using a dive computer—the dive time;
  - (j) if the dive was done using dive tables—the repetitive dive group, if available, and either bottom time or dive time;
  - (k) if the repetitive dive group and surface interval result in a repetitive factor—the surface interval and the repetitive factor.
- (2) If the underwater diving work is done using EANx, the dive safety log must also state the following information—
  - (a) oxygen content of the EANx;
  - (b) maximum operating depth for the EANx.
- (3) If the underwater diving work is done using mixed gas, the dive safety log must also state the following information—
  - (a) oxygen content and nitrogen content, if any, of the mixed gas;
  - (b) maximum operating depth for the mixed gas;
  - (c) minimum operating depth of the bottom mix.

(4) The information mentioned in this section must be entered in the dive safety log as soon as practicable.

### 86AJ Dive safety log—diver must sign log

- (1) On completion of each dive in relation to which a dive safety log must be kept, the diver must verify the diver's return from the dive—
  - (a) by signing the dive safety log entry for the diver; or
  - (b) if the log is kept electronically—by entering in the log entry the name of, and a unique identifier for, the diver.

Example of a log kept electronically—

a record kept by computer

Maximum penalty—10 penalty units.

(2) The signature or entry must be made as soon as practicable.

Example—

The diver's signature in the dive safety log is an important check on whether a diver has returned to the boat. Accordingly, the signature needs to be made as soon as the diver has removed necessary gear and dried the diver's hands. However, conditions in open boats, or numerous dives by the 1 diver in a single day, may make it impracticable to sign the dive safety log until the end of the diver's diving for the day.

### 86AK Dive safety log—further signing of log

- (1) The employer, self-employed person or other person who conducts a business or undertaking must ensure that a person verifies for the employer, self-employed person or other person, in the way stated in subsection (2), that—
  - (a) the dive safety log entry for the diver has been made as required under section 86AH; and
  - (b) the diver has complied with section 86AJ for the entry.

Maximum penalty—20 penalty units.

- (2) The way is—
  - (a) by signing the log entry; or

- (b) if the log is kept electronically—by entering in the log entry the name of, and a unique identifier for, the person.
- (3) The signature or entry must be made as soon as practicable.

### 86AL Dive safety log—log to be kept for at least 1 year

The employer or self-employed person or other person who conducts a business or undertaking must keep the dive safety log required under this subdivision for at least 1 year after the last entry in it is made.

Maximum penalty—20 penalty units.

## Subdivision 5 Provisions relating only to construction diving work

### 86AM ADAS diving certificate for the diving is required

- (1) An employer, self-employed person or other person who conducts a business or undertaking must not—
  - (a) do construction diving work as a work activity performer for the business or undertaking unless subsection (2) is complied with; or
  - (b) allow a work activity performer for the business or undertaking to do construction diving work unless subsection (2) is complied with.
- (2) For subsection (1)—
  - (a) the employer, self-employed person or other person must hold an original or copy of an ADAS diving certificate, under which the diving involved in the work may be done, for the work activity performer for the business or undertaking; and
  - (b) the work the work activity performer is to do must not be contrary to any restrictions stated in the certificate.
- (3) The employer, self-employed person or other person must keep the certificate or copy for at least 1 year after the work

done under subsection (1) in reliance on the certificate or copy ends.

(4) Subsections (1) and (3) are workplace health and safety obligations for the Act.

Note—

See section 24 of the Act for the penalty for failing to discharge the obligations.

### 86AN Dive supervisor

- (1) An employer, self-employed person or other person who conducts a business or undertaking must not—
  - (a) do construction diving work as a work activity performer for the business or undertaking unless subsection (2) is complied with; or
  - (b) allow a work activity performer for the business or undertaking to do construction diving work unless subsection (2) is complied with.
- (2) For subsection (1)—
  - (a) someone must have been appointed as the dive supervisor for the work or for the dive site where the work is to be done (the *dive supervisor*); and
  - (b) the dive supervisor must—
    - (i) hold an ADAS diving certificate under which the diving involved in the work may be done; and
    - (ii) personally supervise the work from a position out of the water at the dive site; and
    - (iii) be able to communicate directly with each diver being supervised.
- (3) A dive supervisor may supervise more than 1 diver at the same time.
- (4) Subsection (1) is a workplace health and safety obligation for the Act.

Note—

See section 24 of the Act for the penalty for failing to discharge the obligation.

### 86AO Stand-by diver

- (1) An employer, self-employed person or other person who conducts a business or undertaking must not—
  - (a) do construction diving work as a work activity performer for the business or undertaking unless subsection (2) or (3) is complied with; or
  - (b) allow a work activity performer for the business or undertaking to do construction diving work unless subsection (2) or (3) is complied with.
- (2) For subsection (1)—
  - (a) someone must have been appointed as stand-by diver for the work or for the dive site where the work is to be done (the *stand-by diver*); and
  - (b) the stand-by diver must—
    - (i) be allowed under sections 78 and 86AM to make the dive; and
    - (ii) hold an ADAS diving certificate under which the diving involved in the work may be done; and
    - (iii) be out of the water; and
    - (iv) be under the supervision of the dive supervisor; and
    - (v) be fully equipped and otherwise ready to dive to go to the rescue of the diver doing the work; and
    - (vi) be available to rescue the diver.
- (3) Alternatively for subsection (1)—
  - (a) the diver is 1 of only 2 divers who are under the water and under the supervision of the same dive supervisor; and
  - (b) each diver—
    - (i) can clearly see the other diver; and
    - (ii) can immediately go to the rescue of the other diver; and
    - (iii) must not be substantially obstructed from reaching the other diver; and

- (iv) must be allowed under sections 78 and 86AM to make the dive.
- (4) A stand-by diver can not be the dive supervisor.
- (5) A stand-by diver may be the stand-by diver for some or all of the divers diving under the supervision of the same dive supervisor.
- (6) Subsection (1) is a workplace health and safety obligation for the Act.

Note-

See section 24 of the Act for the penalty for failing to discharge the obligation.

### 86AP Recompression chamber and qualified operator

- (1) An employer, self-employed person or other person who conducts a business or undertaking must not—
  - (a) do restricted diving work as a work activity performer for the business or undertaking unless subsection (2) is complied with; or
  - (b) allow a work activity performer for the business or undertaking to do restricted diving work unless subsection (2) is complied with.
- (2) For subsection (1)—
  - (a) an operational recompression chamber must be at, or near, the dive site where the work is to be done; and
  - (b) a person must be at the dive site or chamber to operate the chamber; and
  - (c) the person must hold an ADAS diving certificate for the category—
    - (i) air diving to 50m (AS 2815, part 3); or
    - (ii) bell diving (AS 2815, part 4).
- (3) For subsection (2)(a), a recompression chamber is operational if—

- (a) the chamber is fully operational and complies with AS/NZS 2299, part 1, clause 4.2<sup>46</sup> as published on 5 March 1999, other than clause 4.2.2(f) or 4.2.8; and
- (b) the equipment mentioned in clause 4.4,47 other than clause 4.4.4, of that standard is available at the chamber.
- (4) For subsection (2)(a), a recompression chamber is near the dive site if a diver could be moved to the chamber in 5 minutes from where the diver doing the work enters the water, if the diver were unconscious when the diver leaves the water.
- (5) Subsection (1) is a workplace health and safety obligation for the Act.

Note—

See section 24 of the Act for the penalty for failing to discharge the obligation.

(6) In this section—

restricted diving work means construction diving work—

- (a) at a depth of over 30m; or
- (b) requiring a decompression stop.

## 86AQ Recompression chamber not to be operated without appropriate qualifications

- (1) This section applies if an employer, self-employed person or other person who conducts a business or undertaking—
  - (a) is doing construction diving work; and
  - (b) has a recompression chamber under the control of the employer, self-employed person or other person.
- (2) The employer, self-employed person or other person must not—

<sup>46</sup> AS/NZS 2299 (Occupational diving operations), part 1 (Standard operational practice), clause 4.2 (Chamber design, construction, fittings and services)

<sup>47</sup> AS/NZS 2299 (Occupational diving operations), part 1 (Standard operational practice), clause 4.4 (Medical equipment)

- (a) operate the recompression chamber as a work activity performer for the business or undertaking unless subsection (3) is complied with; or
- (b) allow a work activity performer for the business or undertaking to operate the recompression chamber unless subsection (3) is complied with.
- (3) For subsection (2), the employer, self-employed person or other person must hold an original or copy of an ADAS diving certificate, for the person operating the chamber, for the category—
  - (a) air diving to 50m (AS 2815, part 3); or
  - (b) bell diving (AS 2815, part 4).
- (4) The employer, self-employed person or other person must keep the certificate or copy for at least 1 year after a recompression chamber is operated under subsection (2) in reliance on the certificate or copy.
- (5) Subsections (2) and (4) are workplace health and safety obligations for the Act.

Note-

See section 24 of the Act for the penalty for failing to discharge the obligations.

### 86AR When using open circuit scuba is prohibited

- (1) An employer, self-employed person or other person who conducts a business or undertaking must not—
  - (a) do construction diving work using open circuit scuba as a work activity performer for the business or undertaking in any of the circumstances mentioned in subsection (2); or
  - (b) allow a work activity performer for the business or undertaking to do construction diving using open circuit scuba in any of the circumstances mentioned in subsection (2).
- (2) The circumstances are that the diver will—
  - (a) be at a depth of over 30m; or

- (b) use a tool powered by anything other than a person; or
- (c) be doing work requiring a decompression stop; or
- (d) be at risk of being injured or trapped as a result of anyone's use of mechanical lifting equipment or a buoyancy lifting device; or
- (e) be underneath something that would require the diver to move sideways, other than at an upwards angle, if the diver were to attempt to ascend.
- (3) Subsection (1) is a workplace health and safety obligation for the Act.

Note-

See section 24 of the Act for the penalty for failing to discharge the obligation.

## 86AS Work below 50m using SSBA supplying compressed air prohibited

- (1) An employer, self-employed person or other person who conducts a business or undertaking must not—
  - (a) do construction diving work at a depth of over 50m using SSBA supplying compressed air as a work activity performer for the business or undertaking; or
  - (b) allow a work activity performer for the business or undertaking to do construction diving work at a depth of over 50m using SSBA supplying compressed air.
- (2) Subsection (1) is a workplace health and safety obligation for the Act.

Note-

See section 24 of the Act for the penalty for failing to discharge the obligation.

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## Division 4 Conducting recreational diving or recreational technical diving

### 86A Ways to prevent or minimise risks prescribed

- (1) This division prescribes ways of preventing or minimising exposure to the risk of death, illness or injury associated with conducting recreational diving or recreational technical diving as part of an employer's or self-employed person's undertaking in the circumstances mentioned in this division.
- (2) A person may discharge the person's workplace health and safety obligation for exposure to the risk in the circumstances mentioned in this division only by following the prescribed ways.<sup>48</sup>
- (3) This division does not deal with all circumstances that may expose a person to a risk associated with conducting recreational diving or recreational technical diving as part of an employer's or self-employed person's undertaking.

### 86B Count of all persons on board to be made and recorded

- (1) This section applies if an employer or self-employed person uses a boat to transport persons to, or to the vicinity of, a recreational diving or recreational technical diving site.
- (2) Before the boat departs for the site, the employer or self-employed person must ensure a crew member—
  - (a) counts all persons on board; and
  - (b) makes a written<sup>49</sup> record of the count; and
  - (c) verifies the count—
    - (i) by signing the record; or

<sup>48</sup> See the Act, section 24 (Discharge of obligations) for the penalty for failing to discharge the obligation.

<sup>49</sup> Under the *Acts Interpretation Act 1954*, *writing* includes any mode of representing or reproducing words in a visible form.

(ii) if the record is made electronically—by entering in the record the name of, and a unique identifier for, the crew member.

Example of a record made electronically a record made on a computer

- (3) If anyone leaves the boat permanently for alternative transport to shore or another vessel, or if an additional person permanently joins the boat, the employer or self-employed person must ensure a crew member—
  - (a) counts the persons leaving the boat as they leave it; and
  - (b) counts the persons boarding the boat as they board it; and
  - (c) makes a written record of each of the counts; and
  - (d) makes a written record of the number of persons currently on board; and
  - (e) verifies the information recorded under paragraphs (c) and (d)—
    - (i) by signing the record; or
    - (ii) if the record is made electronically—by entering in the record the name of, and a unique identifier for, the crew member.
- (4) Before the boat departs from the site or its vicinity, the employer or self-employed person must ensure a crew member—
  - (a) counts the persons on board; and
  - (b) makes a written record of the count; and
  - (c) compares the count with the last count recorded under this section to ensure the counts agree; and
  - (d) makes a written record of the comparison; and
  - (e) verifies the information recorded under paragraph (b), and the comparison—
    - (i) by signing the record; or

- (ii) if the record is made electronically—by entering in the record the name of, and a unique identifier for, the crew member.
- (5) The employer or self-employed person must keep each record made under this section for at least 1 year.

#### 86C Medical conditions of resort divers

- (1) This section applies if an employer or self-employed person intends to conduct resort diving for a person.
- (2) The employer or self-employed person may allow the person to do resort diving only if—
  - (a) the person first gives the employer or self-employed person a medical declaration in the approved form about his or her medical fitness to dive; and
  - (b) the employer or self-employed person, or someone on his or her behalf—
    - (i) has read the declaration; and
    - (ii) does not know or suspect that the declaration is false or misleading; and
    - (iii) has assessed the person's fitness to dive, having regard to the declaration; and
    - (iv) decides it is reasonable to allow the person to dive.

Example of the process of assessment—

A declaration discloses a medical condition. The employer then seeks medical advice. In accordance with the medical advice, the employer decides that it is reasonable to allow the person to dive.

### 86D Lookout and rescuer

- (1) This section applies if an employer or self-employed person is conducting recreational diving or recreational technical diving for 1 or more persons.
- (2) The employer or self-employed person may allow the persons to do the diving only while there is at least 1 person acting as lookout for the diving.
- (3) The lookout must—

- (a) be positioned out of the water where the lookout can see the whole area where the diving is taking place; and
- (b) be solely engaged in being the lookout; and
- (c) be able to recognise relevant hazards and divers in difficulty; and
- (d) be able to either—
  - (i) rescue a diver; or
  - (ii) direct a person who is immediately available and capable of rescuing a diver to rescue a diver; and
- (e) be able to either—
  - (i) provide first aid including expired air resuscitation, oxygen resuscitation and external cardiac compression; or
  - (ii) direct a person who is immediately available and capable of providing the first aid to provide the first aid.
- (4) A lookout is taken to be acting as lookout while occupied under subsection (3)(d) or (e) if—
  - (a) the employer or self-employed person, or someone on his or her behalf, has conducted a proper assessment of the risks involved in not having another person available to act as lookout while the lookout is occupied under subsection (3)(d) or (e); and
  - (b) it is reasonable having regard to those risks not to have another person available to act as lookout.

### 86E Supervision of resort divers

- (1) This section applies if an employer or self-employed person is conducting resort diving for 1 or more persons.
- (2) The employer or self-employed person must ensure that each person doing resort diving is supervised in the water by a dive instructor or a dive instructor assisted by a certified assistant.
- (3) A dive instructor must not supervise more than 4 resort divers at a time.

- (4) A dive instructor assisted by a certified assistant must not supervise more than 6 resort divers at a time.
- (5) In this section—

*certified assistant* means a person who holds a current qualification from a recreational scuba training organisation, designed to qualify the person to assist a dive instructor.

*dive instructor* means a person who holds a current qualification from a recreational scuba training organisation, designed to qualify the person as a scuba instructor.

### 86F Dive safety log

- (1) This section applies if an employer or self-employed person intends to conduct recreational diving or recreational technical diving for 1 or more persons.
- (2) The employer or self-employed person must ensure a written<sup>50</sup> dive safety log is kept.
- (3) The dive safety log must contain the required information about—
  - (a) each dive conducted by the employer or self-employed person; and
  - (b) each dive done by the employer, self-employed person or the employer's workers in conducting the dive.
- (4) Subject to subsections (5) and (6), the following is the required information—
  - (a) the diver's name;
  - (b) the name of any buddy with whom the dive is conducted;
  - (c) the dive supervisor's name;
  - (d) the date and location of the dive;
  - (e) time in:
  - (f) time out;

<sup>50</sup> Under the *Acts Interpretation Act 1954*, *writing* includes any mode of representing or reproducing words in a visible form.

- (g) maximum depth of the dive;
- (h) any incident, problem, discomfort or injury experienced or suffered by the diver;
- (i) if the dive was done using a dive computer—the dive time;
- (j) if the dive was done using dive tables—the repetitive dive group and either bottom time or dive time;
- (k) if the repetitive dive group and surface interval result in a repetitive factor—the surface interval and the repetitive factor.
- (5) The following is the additional information required if the recreational technical diving is intended to be done using EANx with scuba or an EANx rebreather—
  - (a) oxygen content of the EANx;
  - (b) maximum operating depth for the gas being used.
- (6) The following is the additional information required if the recreational technical diving is intended to be done using mixed gas with scuba or a mixed gas rebreather—
  - (a) oxygen content and nitrogen content (if any) of the mixed gas;
  - (b) maximum operating depth for the mixed gas;
  - (c) minimum operating depth of the bottom mix.
- (7) On completion of a recreational dive or a recreational technical dive, a diver must verify the diver's return from the dive—
  - (a) by signing the dive safety log entry for the diver;<sup>51</sup> or
  - (b) if the log is kept electronically—by entering in the log entry the name of, and a unique identifier for, the diver.

Example of a log kept electronically—

a record kept by computer

<sup>51</sup> The entry may be only partially completed when the diver signs it or enters his or her name and identifier. See subsection (10).

- (8) The dive supervisor, or a person authorised by the employer or self-employed person, must verify, in either of the following ways, that the dive safety log entry for the diver has been completed, and the diver's return from the dive has been verified by the diver, as required under subsections (2) to (7)—
  - (a) by signing the log entry;
  - (b) if the log is kept electronically—by entering in the log entry the name of, and a unique identifier for, the dive supervisor or authorised person.
- (9) The master of a boat used in connection with the diving, or a person authorised by the employer or self-employed person, must verify, in either of the following ways, that the dive safety log has been completed, and verified, as required under subsections (2) to (8)—
  - (a) by signing the log entry;
  - (b) if the log is kept electronically—by entering in the log entry the name of, and a unique identifier for, the master or authorised person.
- (10) Each entry and signature in the dive safety log must be made as soon as possible.

#### Example—

The signature of the diver in the dive safety log is an important check on whether a diver has returned to the boat. Accordingly, the signature needs to be made as soon as the diver has removed necessary gear and dried the diver's hands.

(11) The employer or self-employed person must keep the dive safety log for at least 1 year.

## Part 12A Conducting recreational snorkelling

### 86G Ways to prevent or minimise risks prescribed

- (1) This part prescribes ways of preventing or minimising exposure to the risk of death, illness or injury associated with conducting recreational snorkelling as part of an employer's or self-employed person's undertaking in the circumstances mentioned in this part.
- (2) A person may discharge the person's workplace health and safety obligation for exposure to the risk in the circumstances mentioned in this part only by following the prescribed ways.<sup>52</sup>
- (3) This part does not deal with all circumstances that may expose a person to risks associated with conducting recreational snorkelling as part of an employer's or self-employed person's undertaking.

### 86H Count of all persons on board to be made and recorded

- (1) This section applies if an employer or self-employed person uses a boat to transport persons to, or to the vicinity of, a recreational snorkelling site.
- (2) Before the boat departs for the recreational snorkelling site, the employer or self-employed person must ensure a crew member—
  - (a) counts all persons on board; and
  - (b) makes a written<sup>53</sup> record of the count; and
  - (c) verifies the count—
    - (i) by signing the record; or

<sup>52</sup> See the Act, section 24 (Discharge of obligations) for the penalty for failing to discharge the obligation.

<sup>53</sup> Under the *Acts Interpretation Act 1954*, *writing* includes any mode of representing or reproducing words in a visible form.

(ii) if the record is made electronically—by entering in the record the name of, and a unique identifier for, the crew member.

Example of a record made electronically a record made on a computer

- (3) If anyone leaves the boat permanently for alternative transport to shore or another vessel, or if an additional person permanently joins the boat, the employer or self-employed person must ensure a crew member—
  - (a) counts the persons leaving the boat as they leave it; and
  - (b) counts the persons boarding the boat as they board it; and
  - (c) makes a written record of each of the counts; and
  - (d) makes a written record of the number of persons currently on board; and
  - (e) verifies the information recorded under paragraphs (c) and (d)—
    - (i) by signing the record; or
    - (ii) if the record is made electronically—by entering in the record the name of, and a unique identifier for, the crew member.
- (4) Before the boat departs from the recreational snorkelling site or its vicinity, the employer or self-employed person must ensure a crew member—
  - (a) counts the persons on board; and
  - (b) makes a written record of the count; and
  - (c) compares the count with the last count recorded under this section to ensure the counts agree; and
  - (d) makes a written record of the comparison; and
  - (e) verifies the information recorded under paragraph (b), and the comparison—
    - (i) by signing the record; or

- (ii) if the record is made electronically—by entering in the record the name of, and a unique identifier for, the crew member.
- (5) The employer or self-employed person must keep each record made under this section for at least 1 year.

### 86I Advice about medical conditions

- (1) This section applies if an employer or self-employed person intends to conduct recreational snorkelling for 1 or more persons.
- (2) The employer or self-employed person must ensure that each person who intends to do the recreational snorkelling is advised that—
  - (a) snorkelling can be a strenuous physical activity and may increase the health and safety risks for persons suffering from—
    - (i) any medical condition that may be made worse by physical exertion, for example, heart disease, asthma and some lung complaints; or
    - (ii) any medical condition that can result in loss of consciousness, for example, some forms of epilepsy and some diabetic conditions; or
    - (iii) asthma that can be brought on by cold water or salt water mist; and
  - (b) the person should tell the lookout, snorkelling supervisor or snorkelling guide if the person has any concerns about a medical condition.

### 86J Lookout, guide and rescuer

- (1) This section applies if an employer or self-employed person is conducting recreational snorkelling for 1 or more persons.
- (2) The employer or self-employed person may allow the persons to do recreational snorkelling only if—
  - (a) there is at least 1 person acting as lookout for the snorkelling; or

- (b) the snorkelling is done with a guide and—
  - (i) the guide is guiding 10 snorkellers or less; and
  - (ii) the guide has conducted a proper assessment of the risks involved in not having a lookout; and
  - (iii) it is reasonable having regard to those risks not to have a lookout.
- (3) The lookout must—
  - (a) be positioned out of the water where the lookout can see the whole area where the snorkelling is taking place; and
  - (b) be solely engaged in being the lookout.
- (4) The lookout or guide must—
  - (a) be able to recognise relevant hazards and snorkellers in difficulty; and
  - (b) be able to either—
    - (i) rescue a snorkeller; or
    - (ii) direct a person who is immediately available and capable of rescuing a snorkeller to rescue a snorkeller; and
  - (c) be able to either—
    - (i) provide first aid including expired air resuscitation, oxygen resuscitation and external cardiac compression; or
    - (ii) direct a person who is immediately available and capable of providing the first aid to provide the first aid.
- (5) A lookout is taken to be acting as lookout and a guide is taken to be acting as a guide while occupied under subsection (4)(b) or (c) if—
  - (a) the employer or self-employed person, or someone on his or her behalf, has conducted a proper assessment of the risks involved in not having another person available to act as lookout or as a guide while the lookout or guide is occupied under subsection (4)(b) or (c); and

(b) it is reasonable having regard to those risks not to have another person available to act as lookout or as a guide.

### Part 13 Hazardous substances

### Division 1 Interpretation

### 87 Meaning of exposed

A person is *exposed* to a hazardous substance if the person absorbs, or is likely to absorb, the substance—

- (a) by ingestion or inhalation; or
- (b) through the skin or mucous membrane.

### 88 Meaning of hazardous substance

(1) In this part, other than division  $4^{54}$ —

### hazardous substance means—

- (a) a designated hazardous substance; or
- (b) a substance that is not a designated hazardous substance but meets the approved criteria.
- (2) However, a hazardous substance does not include—
  - (a) lead within the meaning of part 14; or
  - (b) a substance containing a disease causing organism; or
  - (c) a radioactive substance; or
  - (d) a substance used at a workplace for personal or sanitary use not related to a work activity.

### Example of subsection (2)(d)—

skin cream brought into the workplace by a worker for the worker's personal use, but not a skin cream supplied at the workplace for removing grease or other chemicals from the skin

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### Division 2 Manufacturers and importers

### 89 Who division applies to

This division applies to a manufacturer or importer of a hazardous substance for use at a workplace.<sup>55</sup>

### 90 Preparing, amending and reviewing MSDS

- (1) A manufacturer or importer must—
  - (a) prepare an MSDS for the substance—
    - (i) before first manufacturing or importing it; or
    - (ii) if that is not practicable—as soon as practicable after first manufacturing or importing it; and
  - (b) amend the MSDS whenever necessary to ensure it contains current information; and
  - (c) review the MSDS at least once in every 5 years to ensure it contains current information.

Example of paragraph (a)(ii)—

It may not be practicable to prepare an MSDS before first manufacturing a substance that is discovered through research.

- (2) The MSDS must state—
  - (a) the substance's product name; and
  - (b) information about the substance's—
    - (i) chemical and physical properties; and
    - (ii) health hazards; and
    - (iii) safe use; and

<sup>55</sup> See the Act, section 25 (Person may owe obligations in more than 1 capacity).

- (c) the importer's or manufacturer's name, Australian address and Australian telephone number;<sup>56</sup> and
- (d) for a substance containing a type 1 ingredient—the ingredient's chemical name; and
- (e) for a substance containing a type 2 ingredient—
  - (i) the ingredient's chemical name; or
  - (ii) if the manufacturer or importer reasonably believes disclosure of the ingredient's chemical name gives insufficient commercial protection—the ingredient's generic name; and
- (f) for a substance containing a type 3 ingredient—
  - (i) the ingredient's chemical name; or
  - (ii) the ingredient's generic name.
- (3) Despite subsection (2)(f), instead of stating a type 3 ingredient's chemical or generic name, the MSDS may state that the ingredient is not hazardous if—
  - (a) the ingredient is not a hazardous substance with a known synergistic effect; and
  - (b) the manufacturer or importer reasonably believes disclosure of its chemical or generic name gives insufficient commercial protection.
- (4) The MSDS must be in English and contain—
  - (a) unit measures commonly used in Australia; and
  - (b) the national exposure standard (if any) for the substance.
- (5) Subsection (1) is a workplace health and safety obligation for the Act.

Note-

See section 24 of the Act for the penalty for failing to discharge the obligation.

See NOHSC's document entitled 'National Code of Practice for the Preparation of Material Safety Data Sheets' for further information about the things mentioned in paragraphs (a) to (c).

### 91 Providing MSDS

- (1) A manufacturer or importer who prepares an MSDS must give a copy of it to—
  - (a) the repository as soon as practicable after it is prepared; and
  - (b) each person to whom the manufacturer or importer supplies the substance when first supplying the substance to the person.

Maximum penalty for subsection (1)(a)—30 penalty units.

- (2) A manufacturer or importer who amends an MSDS by changing information mentioned in section 90(2)(a), (b) or (c) must give a copy of the amended MSDS to—
  - (a) the repository within 1 month after amending it; and
  - (b) each person to whom the manufacturer or importer supplies the substance when first supplying the substance to the person after preparing the amended MSDS.

Maximum penalty for subsection (2)(a)—30 penalty units.

- (3) A manufacturer or importer must, on request, give a copy of a hazardous substance's current MSDS to—
  - (a) a relevant person, worker or worker's representative at a workplace where the substance is, or is to be, used; or
  - (b) the chief executive.<sup>57</sup>

Maximum penalty for subsection (3)—30 penalty units.

- (4) Subsections (1)(b) and (2)(b) do not apply to a manufacturer or importer if—
  - (a) the manufacturer or importer supplies a substance to a retailer or retail warehouse operator; and
  - (b) the substance is contained in a consumer package that will not be opened on the retailer's or operator's premises.

<sup>57</sup> The chief executive means the chief executive of the department administering this part—see the *Acts Interpretation Act 1954*, sections 33 and 36.

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(5) Subsections (1)(b) and (2)(b) are workplace health and safety obligations for the Act.

Note-

See section 24 of the Act for the penalty for failing to discharge the obligation.

### 92 Notifying use of type 2 ingredient's generic name

- (1) A manufacturer or importer who states a type 2 ingredient's generic name in an MSDS must give NOHSC notice in the approved form of the use of the generic name.
- (2) The notice must be given as soon as practicable after the MSDS is prepared.

Maximum penalty—30 penalty units.

### 93 Disclosing ingredient's chemical name

- (1) This section applies despite section 90(3).
- (2) A manufacturer or importer must immediately give the chemical name of an ingredient contained in the substance to a designated doctor who—
  - (a) believes a person has been exposed to the substance at a workplace and needs urgent medical treatment; and
  - (b) asks for the information for the person's treatment.
- (3) If an ingredient's chemical name is needed to give sufficient protection to the relevant person or a worker at a workplace against exposure—
  - (a) the relevant person may, by written request, ask the substance's manufacturer or importer to give the person the ingredient's chemical name; or
  - (b) the worker or worker's representative may, by written request, ask the substance's manufacturer or importer to give the person the ingredient's chemical name.
- (4) A request under subsection (3) must contain—
  - (a) the reason for the request; and

- (b) an undertaking to use the information only for the purpose mentioned in subsection (3).
- (5) The manufacturer or importer must not refuse the request unless the manufacturer or importer has a reasonable excuse.

  Maximum penalty for subsection (5)—30 penalty units.
- (6) Without limiting subsection (5), it is a reasonable excuse to refuse the request if the manufacturer or importer—
  - (a) is not satisfied the ingredient's chemical name is needed; and
  - (b) gives the requester, within 30 days after receiving the request—
    - (i) written reasons for refusing the request;58 and
    - (ii) information other than the ingredient's chemical name (if any) that may help protect the relevant person or worker from exposure.
- (7) Subsection (2) is a workplace health and safety obligation for the Act.

Note-

See section 24 of the Act for the penalty for failing to discharge the obligation.

### 94 Providing NICNAS summary report and other information

- (1) A relevant person at a workplace where a hazardous substance is used may, by written request, ask the substance's manufacturer or importer for—
  - (a) information from the substance's NICNAS summary report (if any) that may help in the substance's safe use; and
  - (b) other information (if any), not contained in the substance's MSDS, that may help in the substance's safe use.

The instrument giving the reasons must also refer to the evidence or other material on which those findings were based. See the *Acts Interpretation Act 1954*, section 27B (Content of statement of reasons for decision).

(2) The manufacturer or importer must give the relevant person the information within 30 days after receiving the request, unless the manufacturer or importer has a reasonable excuse.

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Maximum penalty for subsection (2)—30 penalty units.

### Division 3 Suppliers

### 95 Who division applies to

This division applies to a supplier of a hazardous substance for use at a workplace.<sup>59</sup>

### 97 Providing MSDS

- (1) A supplier must give a copy of a hazardous substance's current MSDS to the relevant person at a workplace—
  - (a) when first supplying the substance to the relevant person; and
  - (b) when first supplying the substance to the relevant person after preparing or receiving an amended MSDS.<sup>60</sup>
- (2) Subsection (1) does not apply to a retailer or retail warehouse operator who supplies a hazardous substance contained in a consumer package that will not be opened on the retailer's or operator's premises.
- (3) A supplier must, on request, give a copy of a hazardous substance's current MSDS to—
  - (a) a relevant person, worker or worker's representative at a workplace where the substance is, or is to be, used; or
  - (b) the chief executive.

Maximum penalty for subsection (3)—30 penalty units.

(4) Subsection (1) is a workplace health and safety obligation for the Act.

<sup>59</sup> See the Act, section 25 (Person may owe obligations in more than 1 capacity).

<sup>60</sup> Section 90 deals with the amendment of an MSDS.

Note-

See section 24 of the Act for the penalty for failing to discharge the obligation.

### 98 Labelling containers

- (1) A supplier must ensure a label is fixed to a hazardous substance's container when the substance is supplied.
- (2) The label—
  - (a) must be in English; and
  - (b) must state the substance's product name; and
  - (c) must state the substance's risk and safety phrases (other than a safety phrase giving information about a risk phrase); and
  - (d) if the substance contains a type 1 or type 2 ingredient—must state the ingredient's chemical name; and
  - (e) if the substance contains a type 2 ingredient and the substance's manufacturer or importer reasonably believes disclosure of the ingredient's chemical name gives insufficient commercial protection—may state the ingredient's generic name.

Example of a safety phrase giving information about a risk phrase in subsection (2)(c)—

a safety phrase stating 'Keep away from heat' if the risk phrase states 'Heating may cause an explosion'

(3) Subsection (1) is a workplace health and safety obligation for the Act.

Note—

See section 24 of the Act for the penalty for failing to discharge the obligation.

### Division 4 Relevant persons

### 99 Who division applies to

This division applies to a relevant person at a workplace where a hazardous substance is used.<sup>61</sup>

### 100 Meaning of hazardous substance for division

In this division—

*hazardous substance* means a substance for which its supplier must, under section 97, give a relevant person its current MSDS.

### 101 Obtaining MSDS

- (1) A relevant person who, when first supplied with a substance in a container labelled under section 98, does not receive an MSDS for the substance must—
  - (a) ask the supplier if the substance is a hazardous substance; and
  - (b) if it is—ask the supplier for a copy of its current MSDS.
- (2) This section does not apply to a retailer or retail warehouse operator if the substance—
  - (a) has been supplied to the retailer or operator for retail sale; and
  - (b) is contained in a consumer package that will not be opened on the retailer's or operator's premises.
- (3) Subsection (1) is a workplace health and safety obligation for the Act.

Note-

See section 24 of the Act for the penalty for failing to discharge the obligation.

<sup>61</sup> See the Act, section 25 (Person may owe obligations in more than 1 capacity).

### 102 Recording and displaying MSDS

- (1) A relevant person must—
  - (a) put the copy of a hazardous substance's MSDS in the register immediately after the relevant person prepares or receives it; and
  - (b) take reasonable steps to ensure the contents of the MSDS are not changed other than in accordance with an amendment of the MSDS by the manufacturer or importer.
- (2) A relevant person who is an employer must also keep a copy of the MSDS close enough to where the substance is being used to allow a worker who may be exposed to the substance to refer to it easily.
- (3) This section does not apply to a retailer or retail warehouse operator if the substance—
  - (a) has been supplied to the retailer or operator for retail sale; and
  - (b) is contained in a consumer package that will not be opened on the retailer's or operator's premises.
- (4) Subsections (1) and (2) are workplace health and safety obligations for the Act.

Note-

See section 24 of the Act for the penalty for failing to discharge the obligation.

### 103 Labelling containers

- (1) A relevant person must—
  - (a) ensure a label complying with section 98 is fixed to the container of a hazardous substance used at the workplace; and
  - (b) take reasonable steps to ensure the label is not interfered with.
- (2) If a hazardous substance is transferred from 1 container into a second container and the second container's contents are not

entirely used immediately, the relevant person must ensure the second container is fixed with a label stating—

- (a) the substance's product name; and
- (b) the substance's risk and safety phrases (other than a safety phrase giving information about a risk phrase).

Example of a safety phrase giving information about a risk phrase in subsection (2)(b)—

a safety phrase stating 'Keep away from heat' if the risk phrase states 'Heating may cause an explosion'

- (3) Subsections (1) and (2) do not apply to a container if it has been cleaned of the hazardous substance.
- (4) Subsections (1) and (2) are workplace health and safety obligations for the Act.

Note-

See section 24 of the Act for the penalty for failing to discharge the obligation.

## 104 Hazardous substances in enclosed systems

(1) A relevant person must ensure suitable warning of the presence and location of a hazardous substance in an enclosed system at a workplace is given to anyone who may be exposed to the substance if it escapes from the enclosed system.

Example of suitable warning—

a suitable warning stated in AS 134562

(2) Subsection (1) is a workplace health and safety obligation for the Act.

Note—

See section 24 of the Act for the penalty for failing to discharge the obligation.

<sup>62</sup> AS 1345 (Identification of the contents of pipes, conduits and ducts)

#### 105 Risk assessments

- (1) A relevant person must assess the risk to the health of the relevant person or a worker from a hazardous substance that is used, or is to be used, at the workplace.
- (2) The assessment must be done—
  - (a) as soon as is practicable after it is used; and
  - (b) within 5 years after the last assessment; and
  - (c) when any of the following happen at the workplace—
    - (i) a work practice involving the substance is significantly changed;
    - (ii) new information about the substance's hazards is available;
    - (iii) health surveillance<sup>63</sup> or monitoring<sup>64</sup> shows control measures need to be reviewed;
    - (iv) new or improved control measures are implemented.

Examples of significantly changed work practices in paragraph (c)(i)—

- the form of a catalyst for a chemical reaction is changed from liquid to a vaporised state
- the form of a substance used is changed from fine powder to pellets

Examples of control measures in paragraph (c)(iv)—

engineering controls, safe work practices and personal protective equipment

- (3) The assessment must include—
  - (a) an identification of the hazardous substance; and
  - (b) if the substance's MSDS is available—a review of the MSDS; and
  - (c) if the substance's MSDS is not available—a review of available equivalent information; and

<sup>63</sup> See section 109 (Health surveillance).

<sup>64</sup> See section 108 (Monitoring).

- (d) if the substance is contained in a consumer package—a review of the package's label; and
- (e) a decision whether any workers may be exposed to the substance; and
- (f) a decision about the control measures, health surveillance and monitoring needed for the substance.
- (4) The assessment may be a generic assessment prepared for workplaces where the substance is used in the same or similar circumstances.

Example of generic assessment in subsection (4)—

an assessment prepared by an industry body or trade association about the use of brake fluid at service stations

Maximum penalty—30 penalty units.

#### 106 Risk assessment records

The relevant person must, as soon as practicable after doing an assessment, record the following information—

- (a) the date when the assessment was done;
- (b) whether the degree of risk is assessed to be significant;65
- (c) the substance's product name or other information;
- (d) the control measures for the use of the substance that were in place when the assessment was done;
- (e) the type of monitoring that is needed and the intervals at which the monitoring must be done;
- (f) the type of health surveillance that is needed and the intervals at which the health surveillance must be done.

Maximum penalty—30 penalty units.

# 107 Controlling exposure

(1) If a risk assessment shows a relevant person or worker may be exposed to a hazardous substance, the relevant person must—

For guidance in deciding if the degree of risk is significant, see the Hazardous Substances Advisory Code of Practice 2003.

- (a) prevent the exposure; or
- (b) if prevention is not practicable—reduce the exposure to as low a level as is practicable, but in any case the exposure must not be more than the relevant national exposure standard for the relevant period for the substance.
- (2) The relevant person must, as far as is practicable, prevent or reduce the exposure by ways other than the use of personal protective equipment.
- (3) However, if the exposure cannot be prevented or reduced other than by using personal protective equipment, the relevant person must ensure that anyone who may be exposed—
  - (a) is given personal protective equipment; and
  - (b) is properly instructed in the use of the personal protective equipment; and
  - (c) uses the equipment when there is a risk of being exposed to the substance.
- (4) The relevant person must also ensure the control measures decided under the risk assessment are—
  - (a) implemented as soon as practicable at the workplace; and
  - (b) effectively maintained.
- (5) Subsections (1) to (4) are workplace health and safety obligations for the Act.

Note—

See section 24 of the Act for the penalty for failing to discharge the obligation.

(7) In this section—

relevant period means the exposure period stated in NOHSC's document entitled 'Exposure Standards for Atmospheric Contaminants in the Occupational Environment'.

### 108 Monitoring

- (1) This section applies if the risk assessment shows monitoring is needed.
- (2) The relevant person must ensure the monitoring is done at the workplace.
- (3) The relevant person must also ensure a record of the monitoring result is made as soon as practicable.
- (4) A relevant person who is an employer must—
  - (a) ensure a worker who may be exposed to a hazardous substance at the workplace is given a copy of the record; and
  - (b) allow a worker who may be exposed to inspect the record at any reasonable time.

Maximum penalty for subsections (3) and (4)—30 penalty units.

(5) Subsection (2) is a workplace health and safety obligation for the Act.

Note—

See section 24 of the Act for the penalty for failing to discharge the obligation.

#### 109 Health surveillance

- (1) A relevant person must arrange for health surveillance of the relevant person or a worker who a risk assessment<sup>66</sup> shows has been exposed to a hazardous substance if—
  - (a) the substance is listed in schedule 6, column 1 and the degree of risk to the health of the relevant person or worker is significant; or
  - (b) the relevant person reasonably believes, or ought to reasonably believe—
    - (i) an identifiable adverse health effect may be related to the exposure; and

<sup>66</sup> See section 105 (Risk assessments).

- (ii) the health effect may happen under the work conditions of the relevant person or worker; and
- (iii) a valid technique capable of detecting signs of the health effect exists; or
- (c) the relevant person reasonably believes, or ought to reasonably believe—
  - (i) an identifiable adverse health effect may be related to the exposure; and
  - (ii) the health effect may happen under the work conditions of the relevant person or worker; and
  - (iii) a valid biological monitoring procedure is available to detect, in the relevant person or worker, changes from the current accepted values for the substance.

Examples of changes from current accepted values in paragraph (c)(iii)—

- lower than normal blood levels of acetylcholinesterase resulting from organophosphate pesticide exposure
- raised urinary mercury levels in a laboratory technician exposed to mercury vapour
- (2) If the health surveillance relates to exposure to a hazardous substance mentioned in schedule 6, column 1, the surveillance must include the things stated in schedule 6, column 2 for the substance.
- (3) The relevant person must—
  - (a) arrange for the health surveillance to be done by, or under, the supervision of a designated doctor; and
  - (b) ask the designated doctor to give—
    - (i) the relevant person a health surveillance report; and
    - (ii) the worker a health surveillance report and an explanation of the report; and
  - (c) keep the report as a record at the workplace.
- (4) If the health surveillance is of a worker, a relevant person who is an employer must consult the worker before choosing a designated doctor to do, or supervise, the surveillance.

Maximum penalty for subsection (4)—30 penalty units.

(5) A relevant person who is an employer must pay for a worker's health surveillance.

Maximum penalty for subsection (5)—30 penalty units.

(6) Subsections (1) and (3) are workplace health and safety obligations for the Act.

Note-

See section 24 of the Act for the penalty for failing to discharge the obligation.

(8) In this section—

*health surveillance report* means information, other than a medical record, about—

- (a) the effects on a person's health related to the person's exposure to a hazardous substance at a workplace; and
- (b) the need (if any) for remedial action.

## 110 Confidentiality of worker's medical record

- (1) A relevant person who is an employer may only obtain a worker's medical record with the worker's written consent.
- (2) A relevant person who is an employer must not disclose to anyone (other than the worker or someone with the worker's written consent) the contents of the worker's medical record.

Example of someone with the worker's written consent—

the worker's representative at the workplace

Maximum penalty—30 penalty units.

## 111 Keeping register

- (1) A relevant person at a workplace must keep a register at the workplace containing—
  - (a) a list of all hazardous substances used at the workplace; and
  - (b) the current MSDS for each substance.

Maximum penalty—30 penalty units.

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(2) A relevant person who is an employer must allow the employer's workers who may be exposed to a hazardous substance at the workplace to inspect the register at any reasonable time.

Maximum penalty—30 penalty units.

(3) This section does not apply to a retailer or retail warehouse operator if the hazardous substance is contained in a consumer package that will not be opened on the retailer's or operator's premises.

#### 112 Keeping records

- (1) If a risk assessment<sup>67</sup> shows a hazardous substance's use at a workplace causes a significant degree of risk to health, the relevant person must keep the following documents for 30 years from the day the particular document was made—
  - (a) the risk assessment record;<sup>68</sup>
  - (b) a monitoring result;<sup>69</sup>
  - (c) a health surveillance report.<sup>70</sup>
- (2) If a risk assessment shows a hazardous substance's use at a workplace does not cause a significant degree of risk to health, the relevant person must keep a record of the assessment for 5 years from the day it was made.
- (3) A relevant person who is an employer must allow a worker who may be exposed to a hazardous substance at the workplace to inspect a document mentioned in subsection (1) or (2) at any reasonable time.
- (4) If a person stops being an relevant person in the period a document is required to be kept under subsection (1) or (2), the person must ask for, and comply with, the chief executive's directions about the document's storage.

Maximum penalty—30 penalty units.

<sup>67</sup> See section 105 (Risk assessments).

<sup>68</sup> See section 106 (Risk assessment records).

<sup>69</sup> See section 108 (Monitoring).

<sup>70</sup> See section 109 (Health surveillance).

## 113 Induction and training about hazardous substances

- (1) A relevant person who is an employer must give a worker who may be exposed to a hazardous substance at the workplace induction and ongoing training about the substance.
- (2) The induction and training must be appropriate having regard to—
  - (a) the level of risk identified in a risk assessment; and
  - (b) the workers who may be exposed to the substance.
- (3) The relevant person must keep a record of the induction and training given to a worker for 5 years from the date of the last entry in the record.

Maximum penalty for subsection (3)—30 penalty units.

- (4) The record must include the following information for each induction or training session—
  - (a) the date of the session;
  - (b) the topics dealt with at the session;
  - (c) the name of the person who conducted the session;
  - (d) the names of the workers who attended the session.
- (5) Subsection (1) is a workplace health and safety obligation for the Act.

Note-

See section 24 of the Act for the penalty for failing to discharge the obligation.

# Division 5 Spray painting with hazardous substances

# 115A Ways to prevent or minimise risk prescribed

(1) Sections 115B to 115H prescribe ways of preventing or minimising exposure to the risk of exposure to a hazardous substance used in or for spray painting in the circumstances mentioned in the sections.

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- (2) However, the sections do not deal with all circumstances that expose someone to the risk of exposure to a hazardous substance from spray painting.
- (3) A person may discharge the person's workplace health and safety obligation for exposure to the risk in the circumstances mentioned in the sections only by following the prescribed ways.

Note-

See section 24 of the Act for the penalty for failing to discharge the obligation.

#### 115B Manufacturing or importing a spray painting booth

- (1) This section applies to a manufacturer or importer of a spray painting booth—
  - (a) for use at a workplace; and
  - (b) in which a hazardous substance is likely to be used.

Examples of hazardous substances for subsection (1)(b)—enamels, lacquers, powders, solvents, varnishes

- (2) The manufacturer or importer must ensure the booth—
  - (a) is constructed to be safe and without risk to health when used properly; and
  - (b) is able to prevent or control the escape of a hazardous substance that might be a risk to health; and
  - (c) undergoes appropriate testing and examination to ensure it complies with paragraphs (a) and (b).
- (3) The manufacturer or importer must ensure the booth is fitted with an effective ventilation system that incorporates—
  - (a) a filtration system to remove airborne residue produced during a spray painting process; and
  - (b) an exhaust capture system—
    - (i) to prevent the exposure of a person in an adjoining work area to a hazardous substance produced by a spray painting process; and

(ii) if prevention is not practicable—to reduce the exposure to as low a level as is practicable, but in any case the exposure must not be more than the relevant national exposure standard for the relevant period for the substance.

Example of airborne residue for subsection (3)(a)—paint particles from overspray

(4) In this section—

relevant period means the exposure period stated in NOHSC's document entitled 'Exposure Standards for Atmospheric Contaminants in the Occupational Environment'.

## 115C Supplying a spray painting booth

- (1) This section applies to a supplier of a spray painting booth—
  - (a) for use at a workplace; and
  - (b) in which a hazardous substance is likely to be used.

Examples of hazardous substances for subsection (1)(b)—enamels, lacquers, powders, solvents, varnishes

- (2) The supplier must take all reasonable steps to ensure the person who is supplied with the booth is given the following information—
  - (a) the use for which the booth has been designed and tested;
  - (b) how the booth is to be used safely and without risk to health;
  - (c) the maintenance procedures for the booth, including the maintenance procedures for any filters.

## 115D Protecting persons from spray painting

- (1) A relevant person must ensure that the risk of a person's exposure to a hazardous substance used in or for spray painting is—
  - (a) prevented; or

- (b) if prevention is not practicable—minimised to as low a level as is practicable, but in any case the exposure must not be more than the relevant national exposure standard for the relevant period for the substance.
- (2) In this section—

relevant period means the exposure period stated in NOHSC's document entitled 'Exposure Standards for Atmospheric Contaminants in the Occupational Environment'.

#### 115E Spray painting to be done in spray painting booth

(1) A relevant person must ensure any spray painting using a hazardous substance is done in a spray painting booth.

Examples of hazardous substances for subsection (1)—

acrylic lacquers, 2 pack polyurethane paint, conventional epoxy paint, powders, solvents

- (2) However, a spray painting booth is not required if—
  - (a) it is not practical to do the painting in a booth; or
  - (b) the painting involves spotting, touching up or other minor work.

Examples for subsection (2)(a)—

- 1 painting a bridge, building or tower
- 2 painting a large boat that can not be easily placed in a booth because of its size

Example of spotting or touching up for subsection (2)(b)—

occasionally painting a scratch, small dent or stone chip on a car door

Example of what is minor work for subsection (2)(b)—

occasionally painting a car panel with an acrylic lacquer

Example of what is not minor work for subsection (2)(b)—

- 1 consecutively painting a number of car panels with an acrylic lacquer
- 2 painting a whole car panel with 2 pack polyurethane paint

#### 115F Controlling exposure from spray painting

- (1) This section applies if a relevant person can not prevent or reduce someone's exposure to a hazardous substance used in or for spray painting other than by using personal protective equipment.
- (2) The relevant person must ensure that—
  - (a) anyone who may be exposed—
    - (i) is given the appropriate personal protective equipment; and
    - (ii) is properly instructed in how to use the equipment; and
    - (iii) uses the equipment when there is a risk of being exposed to the substance; and
  - (b) personal protective equipment given to someone is effectively maintained.

#### 115G Maintaining a spray painting booth

- (1) This section applies if a spray painting booth is used by a relevant person for spray painting a hazardous substance.
- (2) The relevant person must ensure the booth is—
  - (a) regularly inspected by a competent person to ascertain whether the booth can be used safely and without risk to health; and
  - (b) appropriately maintained by a competent person.

Example of appropriately maintained for subsection (2)(b)—

maintained in accordance with the procedures supplied by the supplier of the booth

- (3) To work out how often to inspect the booth, the relevant person must consider the following things—
  - (a) the inspection intervals recommended by the manufacturer, importer, or supplier of the booth;
  - (b) the types of spray painting processes done in the booth;
  - (c) how often the booth is used;

- (d) the types of substances, and the volumes of them, used in the booth.
- (4) In this section—

competent person means a person who has acquired, through training, qualification, experience, or a combination of these, the knowledge and skill enabling the person to inspect or maintain a spray painting booth for its safe use and proper air movement.

#### 115H Minimum air movement for booths

- (1) This section applies if a spray painting booth is used by a relevant person for spray painting a hazardous substance.
- (2) The relevant person must ensure the booth's ventilation system can produce and keep an air movement of—
  - (a) for a full down draught booth—not less than 0.3 metres per second; or
  - (b) for a booth used only for electrostatic spray painting—not less than 0.4 metres per second; or
  - (c) for any other booth—not less than 0.5 metres per second;

averaged over the area of the booth where the spray painting is done.

- (3) For subsection (2), the air movement must be measured—
  - (a) when the booth is empty; and
  - (b) during the booth's spray cycle; and
  - (c) in the area of the booth where the painting is done; and
  - (d) for a booth that is not fully contained or enclosed—at the opening in the booth where the internal environment in the booth and the external environment meet.

Example of a booth that is not fully contained—

a tunnel booth that is not fitted with vapour barriers

Example of a booth that is not fully enclosed—

an open face booth

#### (4) In this section—

*spray cycle* of a spray painting booth means the time during the booth's operation when the booth may be used for spray painting.

# Part 14 Lead

# Division 1 Interpretation

#### 116 Meaning of exposed

A person is *exposed* to lead if the person absorbs, or is likely to absorb, lead—

- (a) by ingestion or inhalation; or
- (b) through the skin or mucous membrane.

## 117 Meaning of lead hazardous substance

A lead hazardous substance is—

- (a) a substance listed in schedule 8<sup>71</sup> in a concentration more than the concentration cut-off level stated for the substance in NOHSC's document entitled 'List of Designated Hazardous Substances'; or
- (b) a substance that meets the approved criteria.

# Division 2 Manufacturers and importers

# 118 Who division applies to

This division applies to a manufacturer or importer of lead for use at a workplace.<sup>72</sup>

<sup>71</sup> Schedule 8 (Lead hazardous substances)

<sup>72</sup> See the Act, section 25 (Person may owe obligations in more than 1 capacity).

## 119 Preparing, amending and reviewing MSDS

- (1) A manufacturer or importer must—
  - (a) prepare an MSDS for the lead—
    - (i) before first manufacturing or importing it; or
    - (ii) if that is not practicable—as soon as reasonably practicable after first manufacturing or importing it; and
  - (b) amend the MSDS whenever necessary to ensure it contains current information; and
  - (c) review the MSDS at least once in every 5 years to ensure it contains current information.

Example of paragraph (a)(ii)—

It may not be practicable to prepare an MSDS before first manufacturing a lead hazardous substance that is discovered through research.

- (2) The MSDS must state—
  - (a) the lead's product name; and
  - (b) the lead's chemical name; and
  - (c) information about the lead's—
    - (i) chemical and physical properties; and
    - (ii) health hazards; and
    - (iii) safe use;73 and
  - (d) the importer's or manufacturer's name, Australian address and Australian telephone number.
- (3) The MSDS must be in English and contain—
  - (a) unit measures commonly used in Australia; and
  - (b) the national exposure standard (if any) for the lead.
- (4) Subsection (1) is a workplace health and safety obligation for the Act.

<sup>73</sup> See NOHSC's document entitled 'National Code of Practice for the Preparation of Material Safety Data Sheets' for further information about the things mentioned in paragraphs (a) to (c).

Note—

See section 24 of the Act for the penalty for failing to discharge the obligation.

#### 120 Providing MSDS

- (1) A manufacturer or importer who prepares an MSDS must give a copy of it to—
  - (a) the repository as soon as practicable after it is prepared; and
  - (b) each person to whom the manufacturer or importer supplies the lead when first supplying the lead to the person.

Maximum penalty for subsection (1)(a)—30 penalty units.

- (2) A manufacturer or importer who amends an MSDS by changing information mentioned in section 119(2) must give a copy of the amended MSDS to—
  - (a) the repository within 1 month after amending it; and
  - (b) each person to whom the manufacturer or importer supplies the lead when first supplying the lead to the person after preparing the amended MSDS.

Maximum penalty for subsection (2)(a)—30 penalty units.

- (3) A manufacturer or importer must, on request, give a copy of the lead's current MSDS to—
  - (a) a relevant person, worker or workplace health and safety representative at a workplace where the lead is, or is to be, used; or
  - (b) the chief executive.<sup>74</sup>

Maximum penalty for subsection (3)—30 penalty units.

- (4) Subsections (1)(b) and (2)(b) do not apply to a manufacturer or importer if—
  - (a) the manufacturer or importer supplies lead to a retailer or retail warehouse operator; and

<sup>74</sup> The chief executive means the chief executive of the department administering this part. See the *Acts Interpretation Act 1954*, sections 33 and 36.

- (b) the lead is contained in a consumer package that will not be opened on the retailer's or operator's premises.
- (5) Subsection (1)(b) and (2)(b) are workplace health and safety obligations for the Act.

Note-

See section 24 of the Act for the penalty for failing to discharge the obligation.

## 121 Providing NICNAS summary report and other information

- (1) A relevant person at a workplace where lead is used may, by written request, ask the lead's manufacturer or importer for—
  - (a) information from the lead's NICNAS summary report (if any) that may help in the lead's safe use; and
  - (b) other information (if any), not contained in the lead's MSDS, that may help in the lead's safe use.
- (2) The manufacturer or importer must give the relevant person the information within 30 days after receiving the request, unless the manufacturer or importer has a reasonable excuse.

Maximum penalty for subsection (2)—30 penalty units.

# Division 3 Suppliers

## 122 Who division applies to

This division applies to a supplier of lead for use at a workplace.<sup>75</sup>

# 123 Providing MSDS

- (1) A supplier must give a copy of the lead's current MSDS to the relevant person at a workplace—
  - (a) when first supplying the lead to the relevant person; and

<sup>75</sup> See the Act, section 25 (Person may owe obligations in more than 1 capacity).

- (b) when first supplying the lead to the relevant person after preparing or receiving an amended MSDS.
- (2) A supplier must, on request, give a copy of the lead's current MSDS to—
  - (a) a relevant person, worker or workplace health and safety representative at a workplace where the lead is, or is to be, used; or
  - (b) the chief executive.

Maximum penalty for subsection (2)—30 penalty units.

- (3) Subsection (1) does not apply to a retailer or retail warehouse operator who supplies lead contained in a consumer package that will not be opened on the retailer's or operator's premises.
- (4) Subsection (1) is a workplace health and safety obligation for the Act.

Note—

See section 24 of the Act for the penalty for failing to discharge the obligation.

# 124 Labelling containers

- (1) A supplier must ensure a label is fixed to a container of lead when the lead is supplied.
- (2) The label must be in English and state—
  - (a) the lead's product name; and
  - (b) the lead's risk and safety phrases (other than a safety phrase giving information about a risk phrase); and
  - (c) the lead's chemical name.

Example of a safety phrase giving information about a risk phrase in subsection (2)(b)—

a safety phrase stating 'When using, do not eat or drink.' if the risk phrase states 'Harmful by inhalation and if swallowed.'

(3) Subsection (1) is a workplace health and safety obligation for the Act.

Note-

See section 24 of the Act for the penalty for failing to discharge the obligation.

# Division 4 Relevant persons

### 125 Who division applies to

This division applies to a relevant person at a workplace where a lead process is carried out.<sup>76</sup>

## 126 Obtaining MSDS

- (1) A relevant person who, when first supplied with a substance in a container labelled under section 124, does not receive an MSDS for the lead must—
  - (a) ask the supplier if the substance is lead; and
  - (b) if it is—ask the supplier for a copy of its current MSDS.
- (2) This section does not apply to a retailer or retail warehouse operator if the lead—
  - (a) has been supplied to the retailer or operator for retail sale; and
  - (b) is contained in a consumer package that will not be opened on the retailer's or operator's premises.
- (3) Subsection (1) is a workplace health and safety obligation for the Act.

Note—

See section 24 of the Act for the penalty for failing to discharge the obligation.

# 127 Keeping registers

- (1) A relevant person at a workplace must—
  - (a) keep a register at the workplace containing—

<sup>76</sup> See the Act, section 25 (Person may owe obligations in more than 1 capacity).

- (i) a list of the lead used in a lead process at the workplace; and
- (ii) the MSDS for the lead used in a lead process at the workplace; and
- (b) put the copy of the MSDS in the register immediately after the relevant person receives it; and
- (c) keep a copy of the MSDS close to where the lead is being used; and
- (d) take reasonable steps to ensure the contents of the MSDS are not changed other than in accordance with an amendment of the MSDS by the manufacturer or importer.

Maximum penalty—30 penalty units.

(2) A relevant person who is an employer must allow the employer's workers to inspect the register at any reasonable time.

Maximum penalty—30 penalty units.

- (3) This section does not apply to a retailer or retail warehouse operator if the lead—
  - (a) has been supplied to the retailer or operator for retail sale; and
  - (b) is contained in a consumer package that will not be opened on the retailer's or operator's premises.

# 128 Labelling containers

- (1) A relevant person must—
  - (a) ensure a label complying with section 124<sup>77</sup> is fixed to the container of lead used at the workplace; and
  - (b) take reasonable steps to ensure the label is not changed.
- (2) If lead is transferred from a container into a second container and the second container's contents are not entirely used

<sup>77</sup> Section 124 (Labelling containers)

immediately, the relevant person must ensure the second container is fixed with a label stating—

- (a) the lead's product name; and
- (b) the lead's risk and safety phrases (other than a safety phrase giving information about a risk phrase).

Example of a safety phrase giving information about a risk phrase in subsection (2)(b)—

a safety phrase stating 'When using, do not eat or drink.' if the risk phrase states 'Harmful by inhalation and if swallowed.'

- (3) Subsection (2) does not apply to a container if it has been cleaned of the lead.
- (4) Subsections (1) and (2) are workplace health and safety obligations for the Act.

Note—

See section 24 of the Act for the penalty for failing to discharge the obligation.

#### 129 Risk assessment

(1) A relevant person must assess the risk to the health of the relevant person or a worker from a lead process at the workplace.

Maximum penalty for subsection (1)—30 penalty units.

- (2) The assessment must be done—
  - (a) when a new lead process starts at the workplace and again within 4 weeks after the process starts; and
  - (b) if, in the last assessment, the process was assessed to include a lead-risk job—within 1 year after the last assessment; and
  - (c) if, in the last assessment, the process was assessed not to include a lead-risk job—within 5 years after the last assessment; and
  - (d) when any of the following happen at the workplace—
    - (i) if there is a significant change in the way a lead process is done at the workplace;

(ii) if there is a significant change in the amount of lead, or the amount of lead contained in a thing, used at the workplace.

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- (3) The assessment must—
  - (a) identify the lead used at the workplace; and
  - (b) if the MSDS for the lead is available—review the MSDS; and
  - (c) if the MSDS for the lead is not available—review available equivalent information; and
  - (d) if the lead is contained in a consumer package—review the package's label.
- (4) Having assessed the risk, the relevant person must decide whether a job in a lead-risk process is a lead-risk job.
- (5) If the process is assessed to include a lead-risk job, the relevant person must decide—
  - (a) the type of atmospheric monitoring needed;<sup>78</sup> and
  - (b) the control measures needed.

Example of a type of atmospheric monitoring in subsection (5)(a)—monitoring a worker's breathing zone

(6) The assessment may be a generic assessment prepared for workplaces where lead is used in the same or similar circumstances.

Example—

where there are several soldering stations in a battery factory soldering the same kind of terminals under similar environmental conditions

- (7) After doing the assessment, the relevant person must—
  - (a) if the process is assessed not to include a lead-risk job—develop a plan to ensure a job in the process does not become a lead-risk job; or
  - (b) if the process is assessed to include a lead-risk job—

<sup>78</sup> See section 132 (Atmospheric monitoring).

- (i) notify the chief executive, in the approved form within 28 days after the assessment, that the process includes a lead-risk job; and
- (ii) if the process can be changed to a process that does not include a lead-risk job—develop a plan to do that; and
- (iii) if the process can not be changed to a process that does not include a lead-risk job—develop a plan to minimise risk to health from the lead.

Maximum penalty for subsection (7)(b)(i)—20 penalty units.

- (8) The relevant person must ensure a plan under subsection (7)—
  - (a) if the relevant person is an employer—is developed in consultation between the relevant person, worker and workplace health and safety representative; and
  - (b) contains specific aims and ways of deciding whether the aims are being achieved.
- (9) A relevant person who is an employer must not allow a person to start work in a lead-risk job if the relevant person knows the person—
  - (a) has a medical condition that may be adversely affected by exposure to lead; or
  - (b) is pregnant or breast feeding.
- (10) Subsections (4), (5), (7)(a), (b)(ii) and (iii), (8) and (9) are workplace health and safety obligations for the Act.

Note—

See section 24 of the Act for the penalty for failing to discharge the obligation.

#### 130 Risk assessment records

As soon as practicable after doing an assessment, the relevant person must record the following information—

- (a) the date when the assessment was done;
- (b) the results of atmospheric monitoring;

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- (c) whether the process is assessed to include a lead-risk job;
- (d) if a process is assessed to include a lead-risk job—
  - (i) the lead's product name or other identification; and
  - (ii) the control measures that were in place when the assessment was done; and
  - (iii) the decision made about—
    - (A) the type of atmospheric monitoring needed; and
    - (B) the control measures needed.

Maximum penalty—30 penalty units.

### 131 Controlling exposure

- (1) If a risk assessment shows a relevant person or worker may be exposed to lead, the relevant person must—
  - (a) prevent the exposure; or
  - (b) if that is not practicable—reduce the exposure to as low a level as is necessary to minimise risk to health, but in any case the exposure must be less than the national exposure standard for the lead.
- (2) The relevant person must, as far as is practicable, prevent or reduce the exposure by ways other than the use of personal protective equipment.
- (3) However, if the exposure can not be prevented or reduced other than by using personal protective equipment, the relevant person must ensure that—
  - (a) anyone who may be exposed—
    - (i) is given personal protective equipment, including suitable respiratory protective equipment; and
    - (ii) is properly instructed in the use of the personal protective equipment; and
    - (iii) uses the equipment when being exposed to the lead; and

- (b) warning signs are erected showing the need to wear the personal protective equipment in the lead process area.
- (4) The relevant person must ensure—
  - (a) the control measures decided, and plans developed, under the risk assessment are implemented at the workplace as soon as practicable; and
  - (b) the control measures, including all engineering controls, safe work practices and personal protective equipment, are effectively maintained.

Example of effective maintenance of personal protective equipment—

cleaning lead from respiratory equipment to maintain its effective use

- (5) A relevant person must also ensure—
  - (a) lead used in a lead process area does not, as far as is practicable, contaminate other areas of the workplace; and
  - (b) workers are not exposed to the risk from lead in an area provided by the employer for eating and drinking; and
  - (c) before moving from a lead process area to an area used for eating and drinking, a worker washes the worker's forearms, hands and face at the washing facilities provided at the workplace; and
  - (d) no one eats, chews gum, smokes or carries anything used for smoking in a lead process area; and
  - (e) no one in a lead process area drinks from anything other than a drinking facility that is made free from lead contamination; and
  - (f) the workplace is, as far as is practicable, cleaned of lead; and
  - (g) a lead process area is not cleaned by compressed air or another compressed gas or dry sweeping; and
  - (h) a worker does not take lead contaminated clothing home for laundering; and
  - (i) lead contaminated clothing is laundered.

(6) Subsections (1) to (5) are workplace health and safety obligations for the Act.

Note-

See section 24 of the Act for the penalty for failing to discharge the obligation.

#### 132 Atmospheric monitoring

- (1) If the risk assessment shows a process includes a lead-risk job, the relevant person must ensure—
  - (a) atmospheric monitoring is done in a lead process area at the workplace; and
  - (b) the result of the monitoring is recorded as soon as practicable.

Maximum penalty for subsection (1)(b)—30 penalty units.

(2) Subsection (1)(a) is a workplace health and safety obligation for the Act.

Note-

See section 24 of the Act for the penalty for failing to discharge the obligation.

#### 133 Health surveillance

- (1) If the risk assessment shows a process includes a lead-risk job, the relevant person must arrange for health surveillance of the relevant person or a worker who—
  - (a) is to start work in the job; or
  - (b) works in the job.
- (2) For a relevant person or worker who is to start work in the lead-risk job, the relevant person must arrange for—
  - (a) health surveillance of the relevant person or worker to be done before the relevant person or worker starts work;<sup>79</sup> and

<sup>79</sup> Note that *health surveillance* means monitoring by medical assessment and biological monitoring. See schedule 9 (Dictionary).

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- (b) more biological monitoring of the relevant person or worker to be done within 1 month after the relevant person or worker starts work; and
- (c) more health surveillance of the relevant person or worker to be done within 3 months after the relevant person or worker starts work; and
- (d) more health surveillance of the relevant person or worker to be done within 6 months after the relevant person or worker starts work.
- (3) For a relevant person or worker who works in the lead-risk job, the relevant person must arrange for—
  - (a) health surveillance of the relevant person or worker to be done within 1 month after the risk assessment shows the job is a lead-risk job; and
  - (b) health surveillance or biological monitoring of the relevant person or worker to be done at any other time if requested by a designated doctor.
- (4) The relevant person must—
  - (a) arrange for health surveillance or biological monitoring to be done by a designated doctor; and
  - (b) give the designated doctor, on request, the risk assessment record; and
  - (c) when arranging for health surveillance or biological monitoring to be done, ask the designated doctor to, as soon as possible after it is done, give—
    - (i) the relevant person a health surveillance report; and
    - (ii) the worker—
      - (A) if health surveillance is done—a health surveillance report and an explanation of the report; and
      - (B) if biological monitoring is done—the results of biological monitoring; and
  - (d) give the chief executive notice, in the approved form, of the results of the health surveillance within 6 months of receiving the report.

Maximum penalty for subsection (4)(d)—30 penalty units.

- (5) Anything that must be done by a designated doctor under subsection (4) may be done under the supervision of the designated doctor.
- (6) If the health surveillance is of a worker, a relevant person who is an employer must ensure the designated doctor is chosen after consultation between the relevant person, worker and workplace health and safety representative.

Maximum penalty for subsection (6)—30 penalty units.

- (7) If, after consultation, the relevant person, worker and workplace health and safety representative are unable to decide on a designated doctor, the designated doctor is to be chosen by the relevant person.
- (8) A relevant person who is an employer must pay for health surveillance of a worker under this section.

Maximum penalty for subsection (8)—30 penalty units.

(9) Subsections (1) to (4)(c) are workplace health and safety obligations for the Act.

Note-

See section 24 of the Act for the penalty for failing to discharge the obligation.

(11) In this section—

# health surveillance report means information about—

- (a) the effects on a person's health related to the person's exposure to lead because of a lead-risk job; and
- (b) the need (if any) for remedial action; and
- (c) the type of remedial action needed.

# 134 Reviewing control measures

(1) If the atmospheric monitoring shows the level of exposure is equal to or more than the national exposure standard for lead, the relevant person must review the control measures decided in the risk assessment.

#### Workplace Health and Safety Regulation 1997

- (2) If the designated doctor, in a health surveillance report, recommends the relevant person or worker must be removed from a lead-risk job, or that control measures must be reviewed, the relevant person must—
  - (a) identify how the relevant person or worker was exposed to the lead; and
  - (b) review the control measures; and
  - (c) control the exposure.
- (3) Subsections (1) and (2) are workplace health and safety obligations for the Act.

Note—

See section 24 of the Act for the penalty for failing to discharge the obligation.

## 135 Removal of worker from a lead-risk job

- (1) A relevant person who is an employer must immediately remove a worker from a lead-risk job to a job that is not a lead-risk job if—
  - (a) the designated doctor, in the health surveillance report, recommends the worker be removed from the lead-risk job because of the worker's confirmed blood lead level; or
  - (b) the worker tells the relevant person that the worker—
    - (i) has a medical condition that may be adversely affected by exposure to lead; or
    - (ii) is pregnant or breast feeding; or
  - (c) the relevant person, after consultation with the worker, considers the worker has been exposed to an excessive level of lead; or
  - (d) the worker, after consultation with the relevant person, considers the worker has been exposed to an excessive level of lead.

Note—

In relation to taking action under this section or division, a person may also have obligations to comply with anti-discrimination or industrial laws.

#### Workplace Health and Safety Regulation 1997

- (2) If the relevant person or worker considers the worker has been exposed to an excessive level of lead, the relevant person must arrange for health surveillance of the worker to be done within 7 days after the worker is removed.
- (3) Subsections (1) and (2) are workplace health and safety obligations for the Act.

### 135A Removal of relevant person from a lead-risk job

- (1) A relevant person must remove himself or herself from a lead-risk job to a job that is not a lead-risk job if—
  - (a) the designated doctor, in the health surveillance report, recommends the relevant person be removed from the lead-risk job because of the person's confirmed blood lead level; or
  - (c) the relevant person—
    - (i) has a medical condition that may be adversely affected by exposure to lead; or
    - (ii) is pregnant or breast feeding.
- (2) If the relevant person considers he or she has been exposed to an excessive level of lead, the relevant person must arrange for health surveillance of himself or herself to be done within 7 days after the relevant person removes himself or herself.
- (3) Subsections (1) and (2) are workplace health and safety obligations for the Act.

# 136 Return to a lead-risk job

- (1) A relevant person who is an employer must not allow a worker to return to a lead-risk job from which the worker was removed under section 135 unless a designated doctor, after determining the worker's confirmed blood lead level by health surveillance, advises the worker may return.
- (2) A relevant person must not return to a lead-risk job from which the relevant person removed himself or herself under section 135A unless a designated doctor, after determining the confirmed blood lead level of the relevant person by health surveillance, advises the relevant person may return.

(3) Subsection (1) is a workplace health and safety obligation for the Act.

Note—

See section 24 of the Act for the penalty for failing to discharge the obligation.

#### 137 Confidentiality of worker's medical record

A relevant person who is an employer must not disclose to anyone (other than the worker or someone with the worker's written consent) the contents of a worker's medical record.

Maximum penalty—30 penalty units.

#### 138 Induction and training about lead

- (1) A relevant person who is an employer must give a worker who may be exposed to lead at the workplace induction and, at least annually, information and ongoing training about lead, including about the worker's obligations under division 5.80
- (2) The induction and training must be appropriate having regard to—
  - (a) the level of risk identified in a risk assessment; and
  - (b) the types of workers who may be exposed to the lead; and

Examples of subsection (2)(b)—

- 1 workers from a non-English speaking background
- 2 females of reproductive capacity
- (c) the potential health risks and toxic effects associated with lead absorption; and
- (d) the control measures being used to minimise the risk; and
- (e) the correct way to implement the control measures; and Example 1 of paragraph (e)—

the correct care and use of personal protective equipment

Example 2 of paragraph (e)—

the correct way to do the work practices mentioned in section  $131(5)^{81}$ 

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- (f) the health surveillance required under this part.
- (3) Subsection (1) is a workplace health and safety obligation for the Act.

Note—

See section 24 of the Act for the penalty for failing to discharge the obligation.

#### 139 Keeping records

- (1) If a risk assessment shows that a process includes a lead-risk job, the relevant person must keep the following documents for 30 years from the day the particular document was made—
  - (a) a record of the person working in the lead-risk job, including the person's name, sex and the type of work carried out by the person;
  - (b) the risk assessment record;
  - (c) the results of atmospheric monitoring;
  - (d) the health surveillance report;
  - (e) a record of the date when a person was removed from, or returned to, the lead-risk job.
- (2) If a risk assessment shows that a process does not include a lead-risk job, the relevant person must keep the risk assessment record for 5 years from the day it was made.
- (3) A relevant person who is an employer must keep a record of the induction and training given to a worker for 5 years from the date of the last entry in the record.
- (4) The record must include the following information for each induction or training session—
  - (a) the date of the session;

<sup>81</sup> Section 131 (Controlling exposure)

- (b) the topics dealt with at the session;
- (c) the name of the person who conducted the session;
- (d) the names of the workers who attended the session.
- (5) The relevant person must allow—
  - (a) a worker, or the workplace health and safety representative to inspect a document mentioned in subsection (1)(a), (b) or (c), (2) or (3) at any reasonable time; and
  - (b) a worker to copy the document.
- (6) If a person stops being a relevant person in the period a document is required to be kept under subsection (1), (2) or (3), the person must ask for, and comply with, the chief executive's directions about the documents storage.

Maximum penalty—30 penalty units.

#### Division 5 Workers

## 140 Who division applies to

This division applies to a worker at a workplace where a lead process is carried out.

#### 141 Health surveillance

- (1) A worker must comply with the request of the worker's employer to undergo health surveillance.
- (2) Subsection (1) is a workplace health and safety obligation for the Act.

Note-

See section 24 of the Act for the penalty for failing to discharge the obligation.

# 142 Advising of pregnancy or breast feeding

(1) A worker must tell the worker's employer that the worker—

- (a) if the worker knows the worker has a medical condition that may be adversely affected by exposure to lead—has the medical condition; or
- (b) if the worker knows the worker is pregnant—is pregnant; or
- (c) is breast feeding.
- (2) Subsection (1) is a workplace health and safety obligation for the Act.

Note-

See section 24 of the Act for the penalty for failing to discharge the obligation.

# Part 15 Confined spaces

# 143 Designing, manufacturing or supplying a confined space

- (1) A designer, manufacturer or supplier of plant that is a confined space must comply with clauses 6.1 to 6.3 of AS/NZS 2865.82
- (2) Subsection (1) is a workplace health and safety obligation for the Act.

Note-

See section 24 of the Act for the penalty for failing to discharge the obligation.

# 144 Modifying a confined space

- (1) A person who modifies a confined space must comply with clause 6.4 of AS/NZS 2865.
- (2) Subsection (1) is a workplace health and safety obligation for the Act.

<sup>82</sup> AS/NZS 2865 (Safe working in a confined space)

Note—

See section 24 of the Act for the penalty for failing to discharge the obligation.

#### 145 Using a confined space

- (1) A relevant person at a workplace at which a confined space is used, or is to be used, must comply with the following clauses of AS/NZS 2865—
  - (a) clause 8.1;
  - (b) clauses 9.1 and 9.2;
  - (c) clauses 10.1, 10.5, 10.11, 10.22, 10.30, 10.41 and 10.46 to 10.48;
  - (d) clauses 11.1, 11.3, 11.6 and 11.9;
  - (e) clauses 12.1 and 12.2;
  - (f) clause 13.83

Maximum penalty for subsection (1)(a), (b) or (f)—30 penalty units.

- (1A) A risk assessment under subsection (1)(b) must be carried out by a person who has acquired through training, qualifications, or experience the knowledge and skill enabling the person to perform the assessment.
  - (2) Subsection (1)(c) to (e) is a workplace health and safety obligation for the Act.

Note-

See section 24 of the Act for the penalty for failing to discharge the obligation.

AS/NZS 2865 (Safe working in a confined space)—section 8.1 (Hazard identification), sections 9.1 and 9.2 (Risk assessment), sections 10.1, 10.5, 10.11, 10.22, 10.30, 10.41 and 10.46 to 10.48 (Control measures), sections 11.1, 11.3, 11.6 and 11.9 (Training and competence), sections 12.1 and 12.2 (Emergency response), and section 13 (Record keeping)

# Part 16 Roll-over protective structures for wheeled tractors

## Division 1 Interpretation

### 146 Definitions for pt 16

In this part—

exempt tractor means a tractor that—

- (a) weighs less than 560kg, or more than 15000kg, measured with a full fuel tank, coolant and lubricating oil; or
- (b) is being used in, or driven to or from, an orchard that would impede the operation of the tractor if a roll-over protective structure were to be fitted to the tractor; or
- (c) is being used in or near a building or other structure that would impede the operation of the tractor if a roll-over protective structure were to be fitted to the tractor; or
- (d) is being used in a stationary position; or
- (e) is being driven to or from a place where the tractor is to be used, or has been used, in a stationary position; or
- (f) is being maintained, modified, serviced or repaired if it is necessary to remove the tractor's roll-over protective structure to do the maintenance, modification, service or repair; or
- (g) is being used for a historical activity.

*historical activity*, in relation to the use of a tractor, includes an activity ancillary to a historical activity.

Example of a historical activity—

a historical display, parade, demonstration or re-enactment

Example of an activity ancillary to a historical activity—

restoring, maintaining, modifying, servicing, repairing or housing a tractor used, or to be used, for a historical activity

roll-over protective structure means a structure designed and constructed to prevent or minimise the risk of death or injury

to the operator of a tractor because of the tractor rolling over in any direction.

*tractor* see section 147.

## 147 Meaning of *tractor*

- (1) In this part, *tractor* means a vehicle primarily designed to—
  - (a) haul agricultural machinery or implements; or
  - (b) provide power for agricultural machinery or implements by transmission shaft, belt or linkage system.
- (2) For subsection (1), it does not matter whether the vehicle—
  - (a) is used at an agricultural workplace; or
  - (b) can be converted temporarily into earthmoving machinery.
- (3) However, a vehicle primarily designed as earthmoving machinery is not a tractor under this part.

Example of earthmoving machinery—

a dozer or front-end loader

#### 148 Demonstrator tractor is taken to be new

For this part, a tractor that is a demonstrator for new tractors is taken to be new.

# Division 2 Ways to prevent or minimise risk from wheeled tractor rolling over

## 149 Ways to prevent or minimise risk prescribed

Sections 150 to 153 prescribe ways of preventing or minimising exposure of the operator of a wheeled tractor to the risk of death or injury from the tractor rolling over.

#### 150 Roll-over protective structure to be fitted to wheeled tractor used by relevant person

- This section does not apply to—
  - (a) an exempt tractor; or
  - (b) a tractor manufactured before 1 January 1981.
- (2) A relevant person must ensure that a wheeled tractor used by himself or herself, as the operator of the tractor, in the conduct of his or her business or undertaking is fitted with a roll-over protective structure.
- (3) However, until the end of 30 June 2007, subsection (2) applies only if the tractor was purchased new by the relevant person, or by persons who include the relevant person, after the commencement of this section.
- Also, if the roll-over protective structure is first fitted to the (4) tractor after the commencement of this section, the roll-over protective structure must comply with AS 1636.84

#### 151 Roll-over protective structure to be fitted to wheeled tractor used by worker

- A relevant person who is an employer must ensure that a wheeled tractor, other than an exempt tractor, used by a worker of the employer as the operator of the tractor is fitted with a roll-over protective structure.
- (2) However, until the end of 30 June 2007, subsection (1) applies only if the tractor was purchased new by the relevant person, or by persons who include the relevant person, after the commencement of this section.
- (3) Also, if the roll-over protective structure is first fitted to the tractor after the commencement of this section, the roll-over protective structure must comply with AS 1636.

<sup>84</sup> AS 1636 (Tractors—Roll-over protective structures—Criteria and tests)

# 153 Roll-over protective structure to be fitted to wheeled tractor hired, leased or borrowed

- (1) Until the end of 30 June 2007, a relevant person must ensure that a tractor, other than an exempt tractor, is fitted with a roll-over protective structure if the tractor—
  - (a) is being hired, leased or borrowed by the relevant person or by persons who include the relevant person; and
  - (b) is used in the conduct of the relevant person's business or undertaking.
- (2) Until the end of 30 June 2007, a relevant person must ensure that a tractor, other than an exempt tractor, is fitted with a roll-over protective structure if the tractor—
  - (a) is being hired, leased or borrowed by the relevant person or by persons who include the relevant person; and
  - (b) is used for the purposes of the relevant person's business or undertaking.
- (3) Despite subsection (1) or (2), if the roll-over protective structure is first fitted to the tractor after the commencement of this section, the roll-over protective structure must comply with AS 1636.

# Division 3 Obligation of prospective supplier of wheeled tractor not fitted with a roll-over protective structure

# 154 Obligation of prospective supplier of wheeled tractor not fitted with a roll-over protective structure

- (1) This section applies to a wheeled tractor that—
  - (a) weighs at least 560kg, but not more than 15000kg, measured with a full fuel tank, coolant and lubricating oil; and
  - (b) is not fitted with a roll-over protective structure complying with AS 1636.
- (2) A person (the *prospective supplier*) must not supply the tractor or expose it for supply.

- (3) The prospective supplier does not contravene subsection (2) if the person to whom the tractor is supplied or exposed for supply tells, in general terms, the prospective supplier, or someone for the prospective supplier, that the person intends to use the tractor only in 1 or more of the following ways (the *stated way*)—
  - (a) in a stationary position;
  - (b) in an orchard that would impede the operation of the tractor if a roll-over protective structure were to be fitted to the tractor:
  - (c) in or near a building or other structure that would impede the operation of the tractor if a roll-over protective structure were to be fitted to the tractor;
  - (d) for a historical activity.
- (4) However, subsection (3) does not apply if the prospective supplier knows or suspects that the person intends to use the tractor in a way other than the stated way.
- (5) Subsection (2) is a workplace health and safety obligation for the Act.85
- (6) A person must not tell a prospective supplier, as mentioned in subsection (2), that the person intends to use a tractor only in 1 or more of the stated ways if the person does not have that intention at the time of the statement.

Maximum penalty—20 penalty units.

(7) In this section—

supply includes sell, hire out, lease, auction, barter or supply.

<sup>85</sup> See section 24 (Discharge of obligations) of the Act for the penalty for failing to discharge the obligation.

## Part 17 Construction work

## Division 1 Interpretation

## 155 Definitions for pt 17

In this part—

anchorage point means a device or thing by which a lanyard, static line or other line may be attached to a building or other structure, and includes the part of the building or structure to which the device or thing is attached.

#### Examples—

- a stainless steel eyebolt, set in a concrete floor, to which a lanyard may be attached
- a sling around a steel I beam, with padding under the sling, joined by a shackle or other joining device to which a lanyard may be attached
- a plate for a travel restraint system fixed by screws to a roof component to which a lanyard may be attached

**barricade** means a self-supporting fence, or a self-supporting series of continuous plastic, concrete or other solid barriers, usually temporary, erected or placed to restrict the entry of persons to a workplace.

#### Examples of fences—

- steel pickets joined by chain wire of appropriate height to restrict entry
- steel pickets joined by rows of wire at appropriate heights to restrict entry
- steel pickets joined by taut plastic webbing commonly known as para-webbing

*caisson* means a structure that provides an underground passageway or a passageway through water.

*catch platform* means a platform designed to provide overhead protection to persons by catching falling objects.

*civil construction work* means construction work in relation to any of the following structures—

- (a) a structure mentioned in schedule 386 of the Act, definition *structure*, paragraph (b), (c) or (d);
- (b) a bridge;
- (c) a pumping station;
- (d) a refinery;
- a telecommunications structure. (e)

cofferdam means a temporary wall erected to exclude water from an area normally under water.

common plant means plant provided by the principal contractor for use by any person at the workplace for a purpose other than discharging the principal contractor's workplace health and safety obligations.

construction safety plan means a plan prepared by a principal contractor under section 160.

edge protection means a barrier to prevent a person falling erected along the edge of—

- (a) a building or other structure; or
- (b) an opening in a surface of a building or other structure;
- a fall arresting platform; or (c)
- the surface from which work is to be done. (d)

excavation means a hole in the earth, or a face of earth. formed after rock, sand, soil or other material is removed.

#### Examples—

- a trench, ditch, shaft, well, tunnel, pier hole, cutting, caisson or cofferdam
- a hole drilled in the earth

excavation work means work to make, fill or partly fill an excavation.

## fall-arrest harness system means a system that—

- (a) is designed to arrest the fall of a person using it and prevent or minimise the risk of injury to the person as the fall is arrested; and
- (b) consists of a harness attached to—
  - (i) a device to absorb the energy of the falling person attached to a lanyard that is attached to a static line or anchorage point; or
  - (ii) a line that—
    - (A) has a device that automatically locks the line, and absorbs the energy of the falling person; and
    - (B) is attached to a static line or anchorage point; or
  - (iii) a lanyard that—
    - (A) has a device that travels along a line or rail, automatically locks onto the line or rail, and absorbs the energy of the falling person; and
    - (B) is attached to a static line or anchorage point.

*fall arresting platform* means a platform installed to arrest the fall of a person who falls from a building or other structure.

## fall protection cover means a structure that—

- (a) is placed over an opening in a surface of a building or other structure to prevent a person falling through the opening; and
- (b) consists of solid sheets of sturdy material.

Examples for paragraph (b)—timber, plywood, metal, mesh

## gantry means a structure that has—

- (a) an overhead platform; and
- (b) a hoarding, at least 1800mm high that is fully sheeted with timber, plywood, metal or sturdy synthetic sheets, running along its length.

*geo-technical engineer* means an engineer who holds an engineering qualification relevant to geo-technology.

high risk construction activity see section 156.

**hoarding** means a self-supporting structure, fully sheeted with timber, plywood, metal or sturdy synthetic sheets, or fully covered by chain wire or sturdy mesh, that is designed—

- (a) to prevent persons other than relevant persons or workers from entering a place where construction work is being performed; and
- (b) to provide protection to those persons against objects approaching them from the side.

**housing construction work** means construction work that is work to erect, construct, extend or structurally alter—

- (a) any of the following dwellings that is not located above or below another dwelling or another part of a building, other than a part that is a private garage—
  - (i) a detached house;
  - (ii) an attached dwelling, separated from the dwelling to which it is attached by a fire-resisting wall, including, for example, a terrace house or town house;
  - (iii) a boarding house, guest house, hostel or similar building with a floor area of not more than 300m<sup>2</sup>; or
- (b) a building that is not designed for habitation but is ancillary to a building to which paragraph (a) applies.

Example of an ancillary building—

a private garage, carport or shed

*light work* means work that is light having regard to the following—

- (a) the amount of physical exertion involved;
- (b) the physical capacity of the person doing the work;
- (c) the range of movement involved;
- (d) the weight or bulk of materials or equipment involved.

#### Examples of light work—

- painting
- installing a roof gutter, air-conditioning duct, metal fascia or lighting
- placing pine roof trusses in position on the roof of a low-set house
- performing inspections or tests
- installing an electrical connection

#### Examples of work that is not light work—

- fixing plaster board sheeting to an internal stairwell void
- fixing cladding to a gable end of a roof
- using a medium or heavy duty angle grinder or circular saw

#### object includes material.

*overhead platform* means a platform designed to provide overhead protection to persons against falling objects.

#### perimeter containment screening means a screen—

- (a) designed to stop objects falling on persons from a level of a building; or
- (b) to redirect a falling object onto a catch platform.

*permitted work*, in relation to work involving a ladder, means work in which—

- (a) the weight, size or shape of any equipment or material the person using the ladder is carrying is not likely to—
  - (i) restrict the person's movement while the person is climbing or descending the ladder; or
  - (ii) cause the person to lose balance on the ladder while doing the work; and
- (b) the person's trunk is approximately centred over the centre of the space between the sides of the ladder from when the person is fully on the ladder to when the person is leaving the ladder; and
- (c) any equipment being used by the person can be operated using 1 hand unless a control measure designed to support the person's body is being worn or used.

#### Example of a control measure—

a strap, commonly known as a pole strap, that fits around a pole and is attached to a harness worn by the person

*prescribed information*, about an underground service, means the information about the service necessary to safely do excavation work at or near the service, including—

- (a) the location of the service; and
- (b) the type of the service; and
- (c) the depth of the service; and
- (d) for an electrical service—whether the service is or is not live; and
- (e) the restrictions to be followed in doing the work.

*site-specific induction*, for construction work, means a workplace health and safety induction that is specific to the place where the construction work is to be performed.

static line means a flexible line, to which a lanyard is attached, supported by at least 2 anchorage points located so that the angle between the horizontal and an imaginary straight line between any anchorage point and the other or nearest anchorage point is—

- (a) if the manufacturer of the flexible line has specified the size of the angle—not more than the size specified; or
- (b) if the manufacturer has not specified the size of the angle—not more than 5°.

#### travel restraint system means a system that—

- (a) consists of a harness or belt, attached to 1 or more lanyards, each of which is attached to a static line or anchorage point; and
- (b) is designed to restrict the travelling range of a person wearing the harness or belt so that the person can not get into a position where the person could fall off an edge of a surface or through a surface.

*trench* means an excavation where the maximum depth is more than the minimum width.

underground service means a cable, pipe or other thing laid or installed underground for the transmission, transportation or storage of electricity or a substance.

#### Examples—

- underground electrical cables
- · underground gas pipelines
- underground fuel tanks or pipes
- underground water pipes
- underground sewerage pipelines or services
- underground stormwater pipes or services

#### work method statement—

- (a) for a high risk construction activity other than a prescribed activity—see section 157; or
- (b) for a high risk construction activity that is a prescribed activity—see section 158.

## 156 Meaning of high risk construction activity

- (1) An activity is a *high risk construction activity* if the activity is part of construction work and—
  - (a) the activity involves a person—
    - (i) entering a trench that is more than 1.5m deep; or
    - (ii) using explosives; or
    - (iii) using a confined space;87 or
    - (iv) using a hazardous substance; or
  - (b) during the activity, a person could fall—
    - (i) if the activity is housing construction work—at least 3m; or
    - (ii) if the activity is not housing construction work—at least 2m; or
  - (c) the activity is performed on a roof with a pitch of more than 26°; or

<sup>87</sup> Schedule 9 (Dictionary) defines *confined space*.

- (d) the activity is—
  - (i) a prescribed activity; or
  - (ii) demolition work that is not a prescribed activity; or
- (e) the activity consists of—
  - (i) tilt-up and precast construction work; or
  - (ii) structural alterations that require temporary support to prevent collapse; or
  - (iii) the movement of powered mobile plant at the workplace; or

Examples for subparagraph (iii)—

- the movement of forklifts at the workplace
- the interaction of rollers with other powered mobile plant at the workplace
- the interaction of graders with persons at the workplace
- (iv) work on a telecommunications tower; or
- (v) work in, over or adjacent to water where there is a risk of drowning; or
- (vi) work on, or adjacent to, a road or railway; or
- (vii) work on or near a pressurised gas distribution mains and consumer piping; or
- (viii) work on or near a chemical, fuel or refrigerant line; or
- (ix) work near an exposed energised electrical installation; or
- (x) work in an area that may have a contaminated or flammable atmosphere; or
- (xi) work in an area where there are artificial extremes of temperature; or

(f) the principal contractor for the construction work reasonably believes the activity could result in death or bodily harm.

### (2) In this section—

electrical installation see the Electrical Safety Act 2002, section 15.

energise see the Electrical Safety Act 2002, schedule 2.

exposed see the Electrical Safety Act 2002, schedule 2.

hazardous substance has the same meaning as in section 100.88

powder-actuated hand-held fastening tool has the same meaning as in AS/NZ 1873.89

*using explosives* does not include using powder-actuated hand-held fastening tools.

# 157 Meaning of work method statement for high risk construction activity other than prescribed activity

- (1) A *work method statement*, for a high risk construction activity, other than a prescribed activity, is a written statement for the activity prepared by or under the direction of a relevant person and stating—
  - (a) the high risk construction activity; and
  - (b) if the relevant person has an ABN, the ABN; and
  - (c) the specific control measures the relevant person proposes to use to discharge the relevant person's workplace health and safety obligations for the activity; and
  - (d) the way the relevant person proposes to perform the activity, including how the control measures are to be used; and

<sup>88</sup> Section 100 (Meaning of *hazardous substance* for division)

<sup>89</sup> AS/NZ 1873 (Powder-actuated (PA) hand-held fastening tools)

Example of a control measure to be used—

The relevant person will, when working on or near a road, comply with the Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices issued under the *Transport Operations (Road Use Management)* Act 1995.

(e) how the effectiveness of the control measures will be monitored and reviewed; and

Example of how the effectiveness of a control measure may be monitored—

Before work starts each day, a competent person will check the shoring of a trench more than 1.5m deep to ensure the trench will not collapse.

- (f) if the activity is to be performed in a prescribed occupation—the prescribed occupation.
- (2) Control measures mentioned in subsection (1)(c) are control measures directed at—
  - (a) if the activity is a high risk construction activity because of section 156(1)(a)(i)—the trench collapsing; or
  - (b) if the activity is a high risk construction activity because of section 156(1)(a)(ii)—an explosion; or
  - (c) if the activity is a high risk construction activity because of section 156(1)(a)(iii)—working in the confined space; or
  - (d) if the activity is a high risk construction activity because of section 156(1)(a)(iv)—being exposed to the substance; or
  - (e) if the activity is a high risk construction activity because of section 156(1)(b) or (c)—falling; or
  - (f) if the activity is a high risk construction activity because of section 156(1)(f)—hazards the principal contractor identifies.
- (3) A work method statement for a high risk construction activity, other than a prescribed activity, may be a generic work method statement prepared for workplaces where the activity is to be performed in the same way in the same or similar circumstances.

# 158 Meaning of work method statement for high risk construction activity that is prescribed activity

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- (1) A *work method statement*, for a high risk construction activity that is a prescribed activity, is a written statement for the activity prepared by or under the direction of a relevant person who is the holder of a certificate under section 29B<sup>90</sup> for the activity and stating—
  - (a) what prescribed activity is being performed; and
  - (b) if the holder has an ABN, the ABN; and
  - (c) the certificate number of the certificate under section 29B for performing the activity; and
  - (d) the specific control measures the holder proposes to use to discharge the holder's workplace health and safety obligations for the activity; and
  - (e) the way the holder proposes to perform the activity, including how the control measures are to be used; and
  - (f) how the effectiveness of the control measures will be monitored and reviewed; and
  - (g) the arrangements for appropriate training under part 3A<sup>91</sup> of workers employed, or otherwise allowed, to perform the activity; and
  - (h) the arrangements for supervision under part 3A of the performance of the activity by a competent person within the meaning of section 29F(2).<sup>92</sup>
- (2) A work method statement for a high risk construction activity that is a prescribed activity may be a generic work method statement prepared for workplaces where the activity is to be performed in the same way in the same or similar circumstances.

<sup>90</sup> Section 29B (Certificate to perform prescribed activity)

<sup>91</sup> Part 3A (Prescribed activities)

<sup>92</sup> Section 29F (Supervision of performance of prescribed activity)

## Division 2 Principal contractors

## Subdivision 1 Preliminary

### 159 Application of div 2

- (1) This division applies only to a principal contractor performing construction work.
- (2) However, subsection (1) does not prevent a principal contractor from having obligations under division 3 if the principal contractor performs construction work as a relevant person.

# Subdivision 2 Obligation to prepare construction safety plan

# 160 Principal contractor must prepare construction safety plan

(1) A principal contractor must prepare a written construction safety plan complying with subsections (2) and (3) before construction work starts.

Maximum penalty—30 penalty units.

- (2) The construction safety plan must state—
  - (a) the address where the construction work is to be performed; and
  - (b) the name and address of the principal contractor for the construction work; and
  - (c) if the principal contractor has an ABN, the ABN; and
  - (d) whether there is a workplace health and safety committee<sup>93</sup> for the workplace where the construction work is to be performed; and

<sup>93</sup> See part 7 (Workplace consultative arrangements), division 4 (Workplace health and safety committees) of the Act.

- (e) whether there is a workplace health and safety officer appointed<sup>94</sup> for the workplace where the construction work is to be performed; and
- (f) when the construction work is expected to start; and
- (g) the principal contractor's estimate of how long the construction work will take; and
- (h) the type of construction work to be performed; and

Examples of the type of construction work to be performed—

- work to erect a town house
- work to construct a road
- work to demolish an office block
- (i) the risks of the construction work for which the principal contractor has a workplace health and safety obligation; and
- (j) the proposed control measures to prevent, or minimise the level of the risks; and
- (k) how the principal contractor proposes to ensure the proposed control measures are used; and
- (l) how the principal contractor proposes to monitor and review the effectiveness of the proposed control measures; and
- (m) the site rules; and

Examples of site rules—

- 1 All visitors to the site must report immediately to the site office.
- 2 Safety boots and goggles must be worn on the site.
- 3 A person must not consume alcohol on the site.
- (n) the emergency procedures for the construction work; and

Examples of emergency procedures—

1 If there is an emergency evacuation, a siren will sound and all personnel must assemble on the corner of Green Street

<sup>94</sup> See part 8 (Workplace health and safety officers) of the Act.

and Blue Street to await further instruction for returning to the site.

- 2 The periodic testing of emergency lighting installations.
- 3 The periodic testing of fire fighting equipment.
- how the principal contractor proposes to discharge the principal contractor's obligation to persons using areas adjacent to the place where the construction work is being performed; and

#### Example—

A gantry with a hoarding will be provided over the footpath to protect persons from falling objects.

(p) the common plant to be provided.

Examples of common plant—

- · perimeter guard railing
- 1800mm hoarding
- (3) The construction safety plan must be—
  - (a) written in a way likely to be understood by the persons likely to be performing the construction work; and
  - (b) signed and dated by the principal contractor.

# When principal contractor not to allow relevant person to start housing construction work

A principal contractor must not allow a relevant person to start construction work that is housing construction work unless the principal contractor, or someone acting for the principal contractor, has—

- (a) given the person a copy of the current construction safety plan; or
- (b) discussed with the person the aspects of the construction safety plan relevant to the person's work.

Maximum penalty—30 penalty units.

# When principal contractor not to allow relevant person to start construction work, other than housing construction work

A principal contractor must not allow a relevant person to start construction work other than housing construction work unless the current construction safety plan—

- (a) is available for inspection at the workplace by any person performing or intending to perform the construction work; or
- (b) if the principal contractor, or someone acting for the principal contractor, is not present at the workplace—is readily available for inspection by any person performing or intending to perform the construction work.

Maximum penalty—30 penalty units.

## 163 Availability of current construction safety plan

A principal contractor must ensure the current construction safety plan and current work method statements held by the principal contractor are readily available for inspection while the construction work is being performed.

Maximum penalty—30 penalty units.

## 164 Amendment of construction safety plan

(1) A principal contractor must ensure the construction safety plan is amended if there is a change in the information mentioned in section 160(2)(i) to (p).

Maximum penalty—30 penalty units.

- (2) If the construction safety plan is amended under subsection (1), the principal contractor must ensure each relevant person affected by the amendment is—
  - (a) advised of the details of the amendment; or
  - (b) given a copy of the amendment.

Maximum penalty—30 penalty units.

# Subdivision 3 Principal contractor's obligation for work method statements

# 165 Principal contractor not to allow relevant person to start high risk construction activity unless work method statement prepared

A principal contractor must not allow a relevant person to start a high risk construction activity unless the relevant person has prepared a work method statement for the activity.

Maximum penalty—30 penalty units.

# Work method statement or amended work method statement to be kept with construction safety plan

- (1) This section applies if a principal contractor is given a work method statement or amended work method statement for a high risk construction activity to be performed.
- (2) The principal contractor must—
  - (a) sign and date the work method statement or amended work method statement; and
  - (b) keep the statement or amended statement with the construction safety plan.

Maximum penalty—30 penalty units.

# 167 Principal contractor not to allow person to perform prescribed activity unless in compliance with work method statement

A principal contractor must not allow a person to perform a high risk construction activity that is a prescribed activity unless the activity is performed in a way complying with the current work method statement for the activity.

Maximum penalty—30 penalty units.

## 168 Principal contractor to monitor use of work method statement

A principal contractor must monitor the use of any work

method statement required under this regulation to ensure that all persons to whom the statement applies comply with the statement.

Maximum penalty—30 penalty units.

# Subdivision 4 Principal contractor's obligation to sight induction evidence and conduct site-specific workplace health and safety inductions

# 169 Principal contractor to sight general induction evidence before construction work starts

(1) A principal contractor must not allow a relevant person to start construction work unless the principal contractor has sighted general induction evidence for the person.

Maximum penalty—30 penalty units.

(2) In this section—

*construction work* does not include work to repair a structure that is fixed plant, a ship or a submarine.

## 170 Site-specific induction to be given

- (1) This section does not apply to construction work that is housing construction work.
- (2) A principal contractor must ensure a person has been given a site-specific induction for the workplace before allowing the person to start construction work.

Maximum penalty—30 penalty units.

- (3) A principal contractor must ensure a person entering a part of the workplace where construction work is being performed—
  - (a) has been given a site-specific induction for the workplace; or
  - (b) is accompanied by the principal contractor or someone who has been given a site-specific induction for the workplace.

Maximum penalty—30 penalty units.

- (4) The principal contractor must ensure that induction given to a person includes the following aspects of the construction safety plan for the workplace—
  - (a) whether there is a health and safety committee for the workplace;
  - (b) if there is a workplace health and safety officer appointed—
    - (i) the officer's name and contact details; and
    - (ii) a description of the officer's role;
  - (c) the principal contractor's estimate of how long the construction work will take;
  - (d) how the principal contractor proposes to monitor and review the effectiveness of the control measures the principal contractor has used or will use;
  - (e) the site rules;
  - (f) emergency procedures, including the name and contact details of the first aid officer;
  - (g) the common plant and directions about how it is to be used at the workplace.

Maximum penalty—30 penalty units.

- (5) The principal contractor must ensure a record is made of—
  - (a) the name of each person inducted; and
  - (b) the date the induction was given.

Maximum penalty—30 penalty units.

(6) The principal contractor must keep the record made under subsection (5) until the construction work ends.

Maximum penalty—30 penalty units.

# Subdivision 5 Principal contractor's obligation in relation to prescribed occupations and prescribed activities

# 171 Authority to perform work in prescribed occupation or prescribed activity

A principal contractor must not allow a person to perform work in a prescribed occupation or work that is a prescribed activity unless the person has appropriate authority to perform the work or activity.

Maximum penalty—30 penalty units.

# Subdivision 6 Principal contractor's obligation to erect signs

## 172 Signs

- (1) A principal contractor must, before construction work starts, ensure that adequate numbers of general safety signs, having regard to the size and complexity of the workplace, are erected at the workplace to adequately indicate to persons—
  - (a) the nature of the workplace; and

*Example of sign for paragraph (a)—* 

'Construction site. No unauthorised entry.'

(b) that unauthorised entry to the workplace is not allowed; and

Example for paragraph (b)—

'All persons must report to the site office.'

(c) that they are not to use the workplace or any adjoining area in stated circumstances.

Example of sign for paragraph (c)—

'Do not proceed if light is flashing. Load is being lifted onto site.'

Examples of general safety signs—

- signs, at each point of entry to the workplace, indicating that unauthorised entry to the workplace is not allowed
- signs indicating the direction to the site office or site amenities
- signs indicating where first aid equipment and facilities and fire extinguishing equipment are kept
- signs indicating that a means of access must be kept clear
- signs indicating where hazardous substances are kept
- signs indicating who the principal contractor is
- signs indicating that head and foot protection must be worn
- (2) The principal contractor must keep the signs in good condition.
- (3) Subsections (1) and (2) are workplace health and safety obligations for the Act.

# Subdivision 7 Principal contractor's obligation about safe housekeeping practices

## 173 Purpose of sdiv 7

The purpose of this subdivision is to establish and maintain an orderly workplace environment to prevent or minimise a person's exposure to risk that may result because of hazards at the workplace in relation to which the principal contractor owes a workplace health and safety obligation.

Examples of establishing and maintaining an orderly workplace environment—

- installing and maintaining adequate entry and exit lighting in accordance with AS/NZS 1680
- installing and maintaining emergency evacuation signage and lighting in accordance with AS/NZS 2293

## 174 Safe housekeeping practices

(1) The principal contractor for construction work must ensure that—

- (a) safe housekeeping practices are used for the construction work; and
- (b) the effectiveness of the practices is monitored and reviewed; and
- (c) the practices are kept up-to-date; and
- (d) each relevant person performing the work is instructed to follow the practices to the extent they relate to the person.
- (2) For subsection (1), safe housekeeping practices include—
  - (a) ensuring there is appropriate, safe and clear entry to and exit from the workplace; and
  - (b) ensuring there is a safe system for collecting, storing and disposing of excess or waste materials; and
  - (c) ensuring there is enough area in which to safely store materials or plant for the construction work.
- (3) Subsection (1) is a workplace health and safety obligation for the Act.

# Subdivision 8 Principal contractor's obligation for common plant

## 175 Common plant

- (1) If a principal contractor provides common plant, the principal contractor must—
  - (a) ensure the plant is safe for the purpose for which it is provided when it is provided; and
  - (b) keep the plant effectively maintained while it is provided; and
  - (c) comply with the provisions of this regulation about plant of the same type as the common plant as if the provisions applied to the common plant.
- (2) Subsection (1) is a workplace health and safety obligation for the Act.

# Subdivision 9 Principal contractor's obligation for hazardous substances

## 176 Register of hazardous substances

(1) A principal contractor must keep a register, containing the information mentioned in subsections (2) and (3), of all hazardous substances the principal contractor is aware are at, or are proposed to be used at, the workplace.

Maximum penalty—30 penalty units.

- (2) The register must contain the name of the relevant person (if any) the principal contractor knows is proposing to use the substance at the workplace.
- (3) The register must also contain a copy of the substance's current MSDS.
- (4) The information must be entered in the register as soon as reasonably practicable after the principal contractor becomes aware that the hazardous substance is at, or is proposed to be used at, the workplace.

Maximum penalty—30 penalty units.

(5) The principal contractor must allow anyone working, or about to work, at the workplace to inspect the register at all reasonable times.

Maximum penalty—30 penalty units.

# Subdivision 10 Principal contractor's obligation for underground services

## 177 Information about underground services

- (1) This section applies if a principal contractor intends to perform construction work that includes excavation work.
- (2) Before the excavation work starts the principal contractor must—
  - (a) find out from appropriate sources what underground services are at or near the location where the work is to

be done that could create a risk if contacted or damaged; and

- (b) obtain prescribed information about each underground service from an appropriate source; and
- (c) ensure the information is recorded in writing; and
- (d) give the information to each relevant person who is to do excavation work at or near the location of the service.
- (3) Subsection (2) is a workplace health and safety obligation for the Act.
- (4) The principal contractor must keep the information recorded until the construction work ends.

Maximum penalty—30 penalty units.

# Subdivision 11 Principal contractor's obligation for falling objects

## 178 Application of sdiv 11

This subdivision applies to construction work if an object could fall on or otherwise hit persons during the work.

#### 179 What is mesh for sdiv 11

- (1) *Mesh*, for this subdivision, is mesh that complies with this section.
- (2) The mesh must be made of at least 2.5mm diameter steel with a tensile strength of at least 380MPa.
- (3) If the pattern of the openings within the mesh are a square or other rectangle, the openings within the mesh must not be over—
  - (a) for mesh with prescribed lining securely attached to the inside of the mesh—50mm by 50mm; or
  - (b) otherwise—
    - (i) if the openings are square, 25mm by 25mm; or
    - (ii) if the openings are not square, 25mm by 50mm.

- (4) If the pattern of the openings within the mesh are not a square or other rectangle, the openings within the mesh must not be over—
  - (a) if the mesh has prescribed lining securely attached to the inside of the mesh—50mm in any direction; or
  - (b) otherwise—25mm in any direction.
- (5) In this section—

*prescribed lining*, in relation to mesh, means intact shade cloth, or another intact lining, that when tested, wet or dry, in accordance with method A in AS 2001.2.495 has a mean bursting pressure of at least 1000kPa.

# 180 Risk assessment and control measures for civil construction work and housing construction work

- (1) This section applies to construction work that is—
  - (a) civil construction work; or
  - (b) housing construction work.
- (2) A principal contractor must, before the construction work starts—
  - (a) assess the risk of death or injury to persons that may result from objects that could fall on or otherwise hit persons during the work; and

Examples of objects that could fall—

- parts of a structure being built or demolished
- · walls being demolished
- materials stored or stacked at the workplace
- construction material
- · waste material
- debris
- plant
- tools

<sup>95</sup> AS 2001.2.4 (Methods of test for textiles—Physical tests—Determination of bursting pressure of textile fabrics—Hydraulic diaphragm method)

- scaffolding components
- pre-cast panels
- (b) ensure control measures are used to prevent, or minimise the level of, exposure to the risk.

Examples of control measures—

- a sign stating 'Construction site. No unauthorised entry.'
- an 1800mm chain wire barricade, or an 1800mm hoarding, for work done beside a footpath near a school
- a gantry for work involving a multiple level domestic house that is beside a footpath
- perimeter containment screening
- a catch platform
- a catch net
- closure of the adjoining area
- a traffic control device
- a road diversion
- · a detour
- traffic controllers to direct pedestrians or other traffic
- working outside normal hours

#### (3) However—

- (a) if the control measure is a hoarding—it must comply with the requirements for a hoarding under section 181(6)(a) and (b); or
- (b) if the control measure is a gantry—it must comply with the requirements for a gantry under section 186; or
- (c) if the control measure is a closure of the adjoining area—it must be used in compliance with the requirements for a closure under section 188; or
- (d) if the control measure is perimeter containment screening—it must—
  - (i) comply with section 184; and
  - (ii) if it is designed to stop objects falling on persons from a level of a structure—be erected along each part of a structure from which an object could fall in the adjoining area during the work; or

- (e) if the control measure is a catch platform—it must comply with section 185.
- (4) Subsections (2) and (3) are workplace health and safety obligations for the Act.

# 181 Control measures for construction work that is not civil construction work or housing construction work

- (1) This section applies to construction work that is not civil construction work or housing construction work.
- (2) A principal contractor must ensure that a relevant person—
  - (a) identifies and decides the line (the *proposed line*) along which any barricade or hoarding required under subsection (3) is to be erected; and
  - (b) measures the angle to the horizontal formed by an imaginary straight line drawn between—
    - (i) the highest point at which work is being done on the structure involved in the work during which an object could fall on or otherwise hit a person; and
    - (ii) the point on the ground, along the proposed line, that is closest to the highest point.
- (3) Before the work starts, the principal contractor must ensure that—
  - (a) if the measured angle is not more than 15°—a barricade or hoarding at least 900mm high that surrounds the structure is erected along the proposed line; or
  - (b) if the measured angle is more than 15° but not more than 30°—a hoarding at least 1800mm high is erected along the proposed line; or
  - (c) if the measured angle is more than 30° but less than 75°—a hoarding at least 1800mm high that is fully sheeted with timber, plywood, metal or sturdy synthetic sheets is erected along the proposed line; or
  - (d) if the measured angle is 75° or more—
    - (i) a hoarding at least 1800mm high that is fully sheeted with timber, plywood, metal or sturdy

- synthetic sheets and that is not part of a gantry is erected along the proposed line; or
- (ii) a gantry is erected under section 182(3)(a).
- (4) A hoarding under subsection (3)(b), (c) or (d) must be erected adjacent to the sides of each part of the structure from which an object could fall.
- (5) If subsection (3) or (4) does not require part of the structure to have a hoarding erected adjacent to the side of the part, the principal contractor must ensure that a barricade or hoarding at least 900mm high is erected along the proposed line adjacent to the sides of the part of the structure.
- (6) A hoarding under subsection (3) must—
  - (a) prevent an object that may reasonably be expected to hit it from entering the adjoining area; and
  - (b) be strong enough, and appropriately designed and erected, for the circumstances in which it is used, including the location of the workplace and the type of work to be carried out near the hoarding.
- (7) A hoarding under subsection (3)(c) or (d)—
  - (a) must be able to withstand a horizontal force of—
    - (i) 500N per m<sup>2</sup> applied over 1m<sup>2</sup> at the top of the hoarding midway between any post and its nearest post without deforming permanently; and
    - (ii) 950N applied over 1500mm<sup>2</sup> at any point on the hoarding without fully penetrating the hoarding; and
  - (b) may have gaps to minimise wind resistance, if the gaps are no larger than are reasonably necessary; and
  - (c) if it is part of a gantry—must extend to the gantry's overhead platform.
- (8) Subsections (2) to (7) are workplace health and safety obligations for the Act.

# 182 Additional control measures if measured angle is 75° or more, other than for demolition work or work erecting or dismantling formwork

- (1) This section applies if the angle measured under section 181(2)(b) is 75° or more.
- (2) This section does not apply to—
  - (a) demolition work; or
  - (b) work erecting or dismantling formwork on or for a structure.
- (3) The principal contractor must ensure that at least 1 of the following control measures is used before construction work starts—
  - (a) a gantry is erected along the proposed line adjacent to the sides of each part of the structure from which an object could fall;
  - (b) the adjoining area is closed under section 188 at least to the extent necessary to prevent objects falling on or otherwise hitting persons;
  - (c) a catch platform with perimeter containment screening complying with section 184 is installed—
    - (i) along the sides of each part of the structure from which an object could fall; and
    - (ii) not more than 1m below—
      - (A) if the structure has storeys—the storey of the structure from which an object could fall; or
      - (B) if the structure does not have storeys—the surface from which an object could fall.
- (4) Subsection (3) is a workplace health and safety obligation for the Act.
- (5) In this section—

formwork includes a structure installed to support formwork.

# 183 Control measures for demolition work or work erecting or dismantling formwork

- (1) This section applies to construction work that is—
  - (a) demolition work; or
  - (b) work erecting or dismantling formwork.
- (2) A principal contractor must ensure that, before the construction work starts—
  - (a) the adjoining area is closed under section 188 at least to the extent necessary to prevent objects falling on or otherwise hitting persons; or
  - (b) perimeter containment screening complying with section 184 is erected along each part of a structure from which an object could fall.
- (3) However, if the work is demolition work, the principal contractor must ensure that a control measure other than a control measure mentioned in subsection (2) is used before the work starts to prevent objects falling on or otherwise hitting persons if—
  - (a) the adjoining area can not be closed under subsection (2)(a) because the person who controls the area withholds written approval to close the area; and
  - (b) perimeter containment screening can not be erected under subsection (2)(b).
- (4) If the principal contractor erects perimeter containment screening under subsection (2)(b), or extends or reduces perimeter containment screening erected under subsection (2)(b), the principal contractor must ensure that control measures are used to prevent a component of the screening falling on persons while the screening is being erected, extended or reduced.
- (5) Subsections (2), (3) and (4) are workplace health and safety obligations for the Act.
- (6) In this section—

*formwork* includes a structure installed to support formwork.

## 184 Perimeter containment screening as control measure

- (1) Each screen of perimeter containment screening used as a control measure, and its supporting framework, must comply with this section.
- (2) If the perimeter containment screening is used to redirect a falling object onto a catch platform, each screen must be fitted vertically to the top of, or flush with, the outer edge of the catch platform to redirect a falling object, that may reasonably be expected to hit the perimeter containment screening, onto the catch platform.
- (3) If the perimeter containment screening is not used to redirect a falling object onto a catch platform, each screen must be designed to prevent an object, that may reasonably be expected to hit the perimeter containment screening, from falling on persons from the level at which the work is to be done.
- (4) Each screen must be made of mesh or of timber, plywood or metal sheeting.
- (5) Each of the following gaps must be not over 25mm—
  - (a) the gap, measured horizontally, between—
    - (i) screens immediately beside each other; or
    - (ii) a screen and the framework supporting it;
  - (b) the gap, measured vertically, between—
    - (i) a screen and another screen immediately above it; or
    - (ii) a screen and the framework supporting it.
- (6) The framework supporting a screen must be able to bear the load of the screen.

## 185 Catch platform as control measure

(1) If a catch platform used or to be used as a control measure is installed, extended or reduced, the principal contractor must ensure that control measures are used to prevent a component of the platform falling on persons while the platform is being installed, extended or reduced.

(2) Subsection (1) is a workplace health and safety obligation for the Act.

### 186 Gantry as control measure

- (1) A gantry used as a control measure must be designed by an engineer to withstand a downwards force of at least—
  - (a) if light work, or work other than light work at a height of not more than 10m above the ground, is to be done—5kPa applied on its overhead platform; or
  - (b) if work, other than light work, at a height of more than 10m above the ground is to be done—10kPa applied on its overhead platform.
- (2) The gantry must—
  - (a) be able to stop an object that may reasonably be expected to fall on it from falling; and
  - (b) have an overhead platform that is secured to prevent it lifting or coming apart; and
  - (c) have solid sheeting erected along the outer edge of its overhead platform to at least the higher of—
    - (i) 900mm above the platform; and
    - (ii) the height of any object stored on the platform; and
  - (d) if it is used to store materials or has a shed erected on it—be designed by an engineer to take the additional load involved; and
  - (e) be able to stop water or dust falling on persons; and
  - (f) have natural or other lighting of at least 50 lux illuminating all of the area below it; and
  - (g) not tip over or rotate if a force that could reasonably be expected to be applied to it is applied to it.

Example of a force mentioned in paragraph (g)—the force of a truck backing into the gantry

### 187 Load lifted over adjoining area

- (1) This section applies to construction work that involves lifting a load over the adjoining area.
- (2) This section does not apply to construction work that is housing construction work.
- (3) A principal contractor must ensure that, before the work starts—
  - (a) the adjoining area is closed under section 188 at least to the extent necessary to prevent objects falling on or otherwise hitting persons in the adjoining area; or
  - (b) a gantry is erected that provides adequate protection to persons in the adjoining area against falling objects if the load were to fall.
- (4) Without limiting subsection (3)(b), the gantry must at least comply with section 186.

Example—

If a pallet of scaffolding components is to be lifted over an adjoining area, the downwards force that the gantry's overhead platform must be able to withstand is—

- (a) if the force applied by the pallet and components is less than or equal to 10kPa—10kPa; or
- (b) if the force applied by the pallet and components is greater than 10kPa—the force applied by the pallet and components.
- (5) Subsection (3) is a workplace health and safety obligation for the Act.

### 188 Closure of part or all of adjoining area

- (1) If an adjoining area is to be closed, a principal contractor must, before construction work starts, do each of the following—
  - (a) ensure that written approval to close the area is obtained from the authority or other person who controls the area;

Examples of an authority—

a local government

- the Department of Main Roads
- the Queensland Police Service
- (b) if an authority controls the area, use any measures for the closure required by the authority.

Examples of measures for the closure—

- physical barriers to prevent use of a footpath or road
- signs about the closure
- signs directing pedestrians to use another footpath
- traffic controllers to direct pedestrians or other traffic
- (2) Subsection (1) is a workplace health and safety obligation for the Act.

## Subdivision 12 Principal contractor's obligation for amenities

#### 189 Amenities

- (1) Schedule 8A states particular duties of a principal contractor about amenities.
- (2) A principal contractor must ensure that an amenity provided under schedule 8A is maintained in a hygienic, safe and serviceable condition, including by ensuring that there is a system for—
  - (a) inspecting and cleaning the amenity; and
  - (b) if the amenity has facilities to dispose of sanitary items for females—the adequate and hygienic disposal of the sanitary items.

Maximum penalty—20 penalty units.

### Division 3 Relevant persons

### Subdivision 1 Preliminary

### 190 Application of div 3

- (1) This division applies only to a relevant person performing construction work.
- (2) However, subsection (1) does not prevent a relevant person from having obligations under division 2 if the relevant person performs construction work as a principal contractor.

## Subdivision 2 Relevant person's obligation for work method statements

### 191 Relevant person to prepare work method statement before starting high risk construction activity

(1) A relevant person must prepare a work method statement for a high risk construction activity, complying with subsection (2), before starting construction work for the activity.

Maximum penalty—30 penalty units.

- (2) The statement must—
  - (a) take into account—
    - (i) the current construction safety plan; and
    - (ii) if the activity is demolition work—the requirements of AS 2601;<sup>96</sup> and
    - (iii) circumstances at the workplace that will, or are likely to, affect the way the activity is performed;and
  - (b) be written in a way likely to be understood by the persons working, or about to work, at the workplace who are likely to be affected by the activity; and

<sup>96</sup> AS 2601 (Demolition of structures)

- (c) be signed and dated by the relevant person; and
- (d) if the relevant person is not also the principal contractor for the construction work—be copied and the copy given to the principal contractor.

### When relevant person not to allow another relevant person to start prescribed activity

- (1) This section applies if—
  - (a) a relevant person is the holder of a certificate under section 29B<sup>97</sup> to perform a prescribed activity; and
  - (b) the activity is to be performed by another relevant person.
- (2) The relevant person must not allow the other relevant person to perform the prescribed activity unless the relevant person who is the holder of the certificate—
  - (a) has given a copy of the work method statement for the activity to the other relevant person; and
  - (b) has discussed with the other relevant person the aspects of the work method statement relevant to the activity; and
  - (c) has ensured that the other relevant person understands and is able to comply with those aspects of the statement.

Maximum penalty—30 penalty units.

### 193 When relevant person who is employer not to allow worker to start high risk construction activity

A relevant person who is an employer must not allow a worker of the employer to perform a high risk construction activity unless—

(a) the employer, or someone acting for the employer, has discussed with the worker the aspects of the current

<sup>97</sup> Section 29B (Certificate to perform prescribed activity)

work method statement for the activity relevant to the worker's work; and

(b) the worker has satisfied the employer, or a person acting for the employer, that the worker understands and is able to comply with those aspects of the statement.

Maximum penalty—30 penalty units.

### 194 High risk construction activity not to be performed unless in compliance with work method statement

(1) A relevant person must not perform a high risk construction activity unless the activity is performed in a way complying with the current work method statement for the activity.

Maximum penalty—30 penalty units.

(2) A relevant person who is an employer must not allow a worker of the employer to perform a high risk construction activity unless the activity is performed in a way complying with the current work method statement for the activity.

Maximum penalty—30 penalty units.

### 195 Amendment of work method statement

(1) This section applies if there is a change in the way the high risk construction activity is to be performed.

Example of a change—

a change in a control measure included in the statement or the insertion of a new control measure

- (2) A relevant person must—
  - (a) ensure a work method statement for the activity is amended as soon as possible after the change; and
  - (b) if the relevant person is not also the principal contractor for the construction work—give the principal contractor a copy of the amended statement; and
  - (c) ensure each person affected by the amendment is advised of the details of the amendment.

Maximum penalty—30 penalty units.

### 196 Availability and review of work method statement

(1) A relevant person must ensure the current work method statement for the high risk construction activity is readily available for inspection while the activity is being performed.

Maximum penalty—30 penalty units.

(2) The relevant person must review, and if necessary amend, the statement within 1 year after it is prepared and afterwards at intervals of not more than 1 year while the statement is required.

Maximum penalty—30 penalty units.

# Subdivision 3 Relevant person's obligation for general induction evidence

#### 197 Definition for sdiv 3

In this subdivision—

*construction work* does not include work to repair a structure that is fixed plant, a ship or a submarine.

### 198 Relevant person to hold general induction evidence before starting construction work

A relevant person must not start construction work unless the person—

- (a) holds general induction evidence; and
- (b) has shown the principal contractor the general induction evidence.

Maximum penalty—30 penalty units.

# 199 Relevant person who is employer to ensure worker holds general induction evidence before worker starts construction work

A relevant person who is an employer must not allow a worker of the employer to start construction work unless the employer has sighted general induction evidence for the worker.

Maximum penalty—30 penalty units.

# Subdivision 4 Relevant person's obligation for safe housekeeping practices

### 200 Safe housekeeping practices

- (1) A relevant person performing construction work must ensure that—
  - (a) safe housekeeping practices are used for the construction work; and
  - (b) the effectiveness of the practices is monitored and reviewed; and
  - (c) the practices are kept up-to-date; and
  - (d) each of the person's workers at the workplace where the construction is being performed is instructed to follow the practices.<sup>98</sup>
- (2) For subsection (1), safe housekeeping practices include the following, except to the extent of the obligations of a principal contractor for the construction work—
  - (a) establishing and maintaining an orderly workplace environment;
  - (b) ensuring there is safe and clear entry to, and exit from, the workplace;
  - (c) erecting general safety signs and keeping them in good condition;

Examples of general safety signs—

- 'Hazardous substances in use'
- 'Hearing protection required'
- 'Scaffolding incomplete'

<sup>98</sup> For workers' obligations see the Act, section 36.

- (d) ensuring there is a safe system for collecting, storing and disposing of excess or waste materials at the workplace;
- (e) ensuring there are safe storage areas for materials and plant;
- (f) making safe protruding objects that are a hazard;

Examples of safe housekeeping practices for paragraph (f)—

- bending over or removing exposed nails
- placing a cap over vertical reinforcing steel
- (g) supplying and maintaining lighting that is adequate for the work being done.
- (3) Subsection (1) is a workplace health and safety obligation for the Act.

# Subdivision 5 Relevant person's obligation for common plant

### 201 Common plant

- (1) A relevant person who is not also the principal contractor—
  - (a) must not use common plant other than in accordance with the provisions of this regulation about plant of the same type as the common plant as if the provisions applied to the common plant; or
  - (b) must not alter or otherwise interfere with common plant without the approval of the principal contractor who provided the plant.
- (2) Subsection (1) is a workplace health and safety obligation for the Act.

## Subdivision 6 Relevant person's obligation for hazardous substances

### 202 Relevant person to give principal contractor details of hazardous substances to be used

A relevant person may use, and a relevant person who is an employer may allow the employer's worker to use, a hazardous substance during construction work only if the principal contractor for the construction work has been given—

- (a) notice that the relevant person proposes to use the hazardous substance at the workplace; and
- (b) a copy of the substance's current MSDS.

Maximum penalty—30 penalty units.

# Subdivision 7 Relevant person's obligation for underground services

# 203 Risk from contact with underground services—construction work for which there is principal contractor

- (1) This section applies if—
  - (a) a relevant person intends to perform construction work that includes excavation work; and
  - (b) there is a principal contractor for the construction work.
- (2) The relevant person must not start the excavation work unless the principal contractor—
  - (a) has advised the relevant person to the effect that the principal contractor's inquiries have shown there are no underground services at or near the location where the work is to be done; or
  - (b) has given prescribed information about the underground services at the workplace to the relevant person.

- (3) The relevant person must—
  - (a) ensure information obtained under subsection (2) is considered in doing the work; and
  - (b) ensure any reasonable restrictions contained in the information that are to be followed in doing the work are followed in doing the work; and
  - (c) decide on and use any control measures necessary to prevent a person's exposure to the risk of death, illness or injury from contact with, or damage to, the service the information is about.
- (4) Subsections (2) and (3) are workplace health and safety obligations for the Act.

# 204 Risk from contact with underground services—construction work for which there is no principal contractor

- (1) This section applies if—
  - (a) a relevant person intends to perform construction work that includes excavation work; and
  - (b) there is no principal contractor for the construction work.
- (2) The relevant person must, before the excavation work starts—
  - (a) find out from appropriate sources what underground services are at or near the location where the work is to be done that could create a risk if contacted or damaged; and
  - (b) obtain prescribed information about each underground service from an appropriate source; and
  - (c) ensure the information is considered in planning the work; and
  - (d) ensure the information is recorded in writing.
- (3) The relevant person must—
  - (a) ensure information obtained under subsection (2) is considered in doing the work; and

- (b) ensure any reasonable restrictions contained in the information that are to be followed in doing the work are followed in doing the work; and
- (c) decide on and use any control measures necessary to prevent a person's exposure to the risk of death, illness or injury from contact with, or damage to, the service the information is about; and
- (d) keep the information recorded until the construction work ends.
- (4) Subsections (2) and (3) are workplace health and safety obligations for the Act.

# Subdivision 8 Relevant person's obligation for excavation work that could reduce the stability of a structure

### 205 Obligation before excavation work starts

- (1) This section applies if a relevant person intends to do excavation work that could reduce the stability of part or all of a structure.
- (2) The relevant person must, before the work starts, use the control measures necessary to prevent a person's exposure to the risk of death, illness or injury from the collapse of part or all of the structure.
- (3) Subsection (2) is a workplace health and safety obligation for the Act.

### 206 Obligation during excavation work

- (1) This section applies if a relevant person is doing excavation work that could reduce the stability of part or all of a structure.
- (2) The relevant person must ensure the work proceeds only if the relevant person has used the control measures necessary to prevent a person's exposure to the risk of death, illness or injury from the collapse of part or all of the structure.

Example of circumstances requiring control measures—

A large rock is encountered while performing excavation work. As a result, the excavation has to be performed closer to a structure than originally planned.

(3) Subsection (2) is a workplace health and safety obligation for the Act.

### Subdivision 9 Relevant person's obligation for risk from excavations

### 207 Meaning of competent person for sdiv 9

- (1) A person is a *competent person* for section 210(5) for work in relation to a trench if the person—
  - (a) has at least 3 years experience in stabilising excavations that are trenches; and
  - (b) either—
    - (i) is a geo-technical engineer; or
    - (ii) holds a qualification, or statement of attainment, from a registered training organisation covering the knowledge and skills mentioned in subsection (2).
- (2) The following are knowledge and skills for subsection (1)—
  - (a) knowledge of relevant Australian Standards, relevant codes of practice and other relevant legislation;
  - (b) knowledge of, and competence in, the following—
    - (i) hazard identification and risk assessment for trench stability;
    - (ii) measures to control exposure to risks from trench collapse;
    - (iii) safe work practices and procedures for installing control measures:
    - (iv) how to plan and prepare for working in a trench;
    - (v) how to identify the location of underground services;

(vi) how to identify soil types and other factors that affect the stability of a trench.

#### 208 Risk from all excavations

- (1) This section applies if a relevant person intends to do—
  - (a) excavation work; or
  - (b) work in an excavation.
- (2) The relevant person must, before the work starts—
  - (a) for each of the following possible events that are relevant to the work, identify each hazard associated with the event—
    - (i) a person being trapped by the collapse of the excavation;
    - (ii) a person being struck by an object falling into the excavation;
    - (iii) a person falling into the excavation;
    - (iv) a person inhaling, or otherwise being exposed to, carbon monoxide or another impurity of the air in the excavation; and

Examples of hazards for paragraph (a)—

- unstable rock or soil
- underground water tables
- · a previous trench
- machinery being moved near the excavation
- vibration and fumes from vehicles or other plant in or near the excavation
- structures near the excavation
- piles of excavated material beside the excavation
- (b) assess the risk that may result because of the hazards; and
- (c) decide on the appropriate control measures for the work.
- (3) The relevant person must use and maintain the control measures for the work, including the control measures

required under subsection (4) or (5), necessary to prevent, or minimise the level of, exposure to the risk.

Examples of control measures—

- plant fitted with suitable overhead protection against the collapse of the excavation
- benching, battering or shoring the sides of the excavation
- a hoarding to prevent access by persons
- a secure cover over the excavation
- filling the excavation as soon as possible
- ensuring there is adequate ventilation to prevent exposure to carbon monoxide
- (4) The control measures must include a barricade or hoarding at least 900mm high erected to restrict access by persons to the excavation, unless—
  - (a) the erection of the barricade or hoarding is impracticable; or
  - (b) no person is likely to be in the vicinity of the excavation.
- (5) If the work will involve a person entering a trench more than 1.5m deep, the control measures specified in section 210 must be used to prevent risks to the person from the collapse of the trench.
- (6) Subsections (2) and (3) are workplace health and safety obligations for the Act.

### 209 Risk from working in trench at least 1m deep

- (1) This section applies if a relevant person—
  - (a) is doing work that involves a trench at least 1m deep; and
  - (b) is not already required to erect a barricade under section 208(4).
- (2) The relevant person must erect a barricade at least 900mm high to restrict access by a person to the trench unless—
  - (a) the erection of the barricade is impracticable; or

- (b) the only persons likely to be in the vicinity of the trench are persons involved with the trench.
- (3) However, the relevant person need not erect a barricade around a part of the trench if there already is a barrier beside the part of the trench that restricts access to the trench.

Examples of a barrier—

a permanent fence, wall or pile of excavated material

(4) Subsection (2) is a workplace health and safety obligation for the Act.

### 210 Risk from working in trench more than 1.5m deep

- (1) This section applies if a relevant person intends to do work that will involve a person entering a trench more than 1.5m deep.
- (2) The relevant person must use at least 1 of the following control measures, complying with this section, as a control measure under section 208(3) to prevent risk to the person from the collapse of the trench—
  - (a) shoring all sides of the trench by shielding or in another way;
  - (b) benching all sides of the trench;
  - (c) battering all sides of the trench;
  - (d) having a geo-technical engineer—
    - (i) approve in writing all sides of the trench as safe from collapse; and
    - (ii) state in writing how long the approval lasts if there is no stated natural occurrence that could affect adversely the stability of the trench; and
    - (iii) state in writing the natural occurrences that could affect adversely the stability of the trench.
- (3) However, the relevant person may use a combination of the control measures mentioned in subsection (2) if all sides of the trench are dealt with.
- (4) If shoring is used and it is commercially manufactured shielding, it must be—

- (a) designed by an engineer for the purpose for which it is intended to be used; and
- (b) erected in accordance with the instructions, if any, of its manufacturer or supplier.
- (5) Sheeting or timber may only be used to shore the trench if a competent person has inspected the trench, assessed the shoring and approved the use of the shoring.
- (6) Each bench cut into the side of the trench must be no higher than it is wide, unless a geo-technical engineer has approved a greater height in writing.
- (7) The angle of each batter in the trench must not be more than 45° from the horizontal, unless a geo-technical engineer has approved a greater angle in writing.
- (8) The relevant person must ensure no vertical face of the side of a benched or battered trench is higher than 1.5m, unless a geo-technical engineer has approved a greater height in writing.
- (9) Subsection (2) is a workplace health and safety obligation for the Act.

### 211 Access by ladders to trench more than 1.5m deep

- (1) This section applies if access to and from a trench more than 1.5m deep is by ladders.
- (2) A relevant person must ensure that at least 1 ladder giving access to and from the trench is installed in every 9m of the length of the trench in the part of the trench where a person will be.
- (3) Subsection (2) is a workplace health and safety obligation for the Act.

### 212 Events in trench more than 1.5m deep that is not shored, benched or battered

- (1) This section applies if—
  - (a) a trench more than 1.5m deep is not shored, benched or battered; and

(b) something happens that could affect the stability of the trench or place the safety of a person at risk because of the trench.

Examples of things that may happen that could affect the stability of the trench—

- water seeping from a side, or the base, of the trench
- subsidence happening beside the trench
- cracks appearing near, and parallel to, the edge of the trench
- excavated or other material being piled beside the trench
- (2) A relevant person must ensure that work in the trench stops immediately and does not restart, other than work to shore, bench or batter the trench, until—
  - (a) a geo-technical engineer has inspected the trench and approved, in writing, the trench as safe to enter; or
  - (b) all sides of the trench have been—
    - (i) shored by shielding or another way; or
    - (ii) benched; or
    - (iii) battered.
- (3) However, the relevant person may use a combination of the methods mentioned in subsection (2)(b) if all sides of the trench are dealt with.
- (4) Subsection (2) is a workplace health and safety obligation for the Act.

# Subdivision 10 Relevant person's obligation for risk of a person falling

#### 213 Definition for sdiv 10

In this subdivision—

ladder does not include a fixed ladder.

# 214 Risk of fall of less than 3m in housing construction work or less than 2m in other construction work or construction work on roof with slope not over 26°

- (1) This section applies to—
  - (a) construction work that is housing construction work during which a person could fall less than 3m; or
  - (b) construction work that is not housing construction work during which a person could fall less than 2m; or
  - (c) construction work on a roof, or partly completed roof, surface with a slope not over 26°.
- (2) However, this section does not apply to construction work where a person could fall from—
  - (a) a ladder or fixed ladder; or
  - (b) a platform supported by trestle ladders; or
  - (c) scaffolding that the person is erecting or dismantling; or
  - (d) an area near a ladder that the person needs to use to get on or off the ladder.
- (3) A relevant person who intends to do the construction work must, before the work starts—
  - (a) ensure each hazard that may result in a fall or cause death or injury if the person were to fall is identified; and

#### Examples of hazards—

- vertical reinforcing steel, or the edge of a rubbish skip, 1m below a surface from which the work is to be done
- unsheeted floor bearers and joists 2m below a surface from which the work is to be done
- an object, for example a picket fence or stack of bricks, that could cause injury if the person fell on it 2m below, or nearly below, a surface from which the work is to be done
- a brittle roof on which the work is to be done 2m above a floor
- (b) ensure the risk of death or injury that may result because of the hazard is assessed; and
- (c) ensure any control measures necessary to prevent, or minimise the level of, exposure to the risk are used.

- (4) If a control measure mentioned in this subdivision is used, the control measure and the use of the control measure must comply with this subdivision.
- (5) However, a fall arresting platform used under subsection (3)(c) need not comply with section 217B if the fall would be internal within formwork the person is erecting or dismantling.
- (6) Subsections (3) and (4) are workplace health and safety obligations for the Act.

# 215 Risk of fall of at least 3m in housing construction work or at least 2m in other construction work or construction work on roof with a slope over 26°

- (1) This section applies to—
  - (a) construction work that is housing construction work during which a person could fall at least 3m; or
  - (b) construction work that is not housing construction work during which a person could fall at least 2m; or
  - (c) construction work on a roof, or partly completed roof, surface with a slope over 26°.
- (2) However, this section does not apply to work where a person could fall from—
  - (a) a ladder or fixed ladder; or
  - (b) a platform supported by trestle ladders; or
  - (c) scaffolding which the person is erecting or dismantling; or
  - (d) an area near a ladder that the person needs to use to get on or off the ladder.
- (3) A relevant person who intends to do the construction work must, before the work starts, use control measures—
  - (a) to prevent the person falling any distance; or

Examples of control measures to prevent the person falling—

- edge protection
- a fall protection cover placed over an opening

- a travel restraint system
- (b) if prevention is not practicable—
  - (i) to arrest the person's fall; and
  - (ii) to prevent or minimise the risk of death or injury to the person when the fall is arrested.

Examples of control measures to arrest a person's fall—

- a fall arresting platform
- a fall-arrest harness system
- an industrial safety net
- (4) If a control measure mentioned in this subdivision is used, the control measure, and the use of the control measure, must comply with this subdivision.
- (5) However, a fall arresting platform used under subsection (3)(b) need not comply with section 217B if the fall would be internal within formwork the person is erecting or dismantling.
- (6) Subsections (3) and (4) are workplace health and safety obligations for the Act.

### 216 Edge protection as control measure

- (1) Edge protection used as a control measure must be erected in accordance with the instructions of—
  - (a) if the edge protection's manufacturer or supplier has given instructions about its installation—the manufacturer or supplier; or
  - (b) otherwise—an engineer or competent person.
- (2) The edge protection must be designed to withstand the downwards or outwards force of the impact of a fall against it of any person who may reasonably be expected to fall against it to ensure that the person does not fall from the surface from which work is to be done.
- (3) The edge protection must—
  - (a) have a rail, or another component that prevents the person from falling, fitted so that the top of the rail or component is at least—

- (i) if the surface that is at the base of the edge protection is at least 1200mm wide—900mm higher than that surface; or
- (ii) otherwise—
  - (A) if the surface from which work is to be done is sloped—900mm higher than where that surface, if extended downwards at that slope, would intersect with the edge protection; or
  - (B) if the surface from which work is to be done is not sloped—900mm higher than that surface; and
- (b) have another rail or rails or sturdy mesh, sheeting or other material below the rail or component.
- (4) However, if the edge protection has rails, the edge protection must have—
  - (a) either—
    - (i) a bottom rail fitted at least 150mm but not over 250mm higher than the surface that is at the base of the edge protection; or
    - (ii) a toe board, for the surface that is at the base of the edge protection, at least 150mm high and fitted below all rails of the edge protection; and
  - (b) another rail or rails fitted so that there is not over 450mm between any rail and its nearest rail or between the lowest rail and any toe board for the surface that is at the base of the edge protection; and
  - (c) if the slope of the surface from which work is to be done is over 26°—sturdy mesh, sheeting or other material that extends upwards at least 900mm from—
    - (i) the surface that is the at the base of the edge protection; or
    - (ii) the toe board.
- (5) A relevant person must not use, or allow another person to use, the edge protection unless it is used in accordance with the instructions of—

- (a) if the edge protection's manufacturer or supplier has given instructions about its use—the manufacturer or supplier; or
- (b) otherwise—an engineer or competent person.
- (6) In this section—

*toe board* for a surface means an upright timber or metal board securely fixed in place at an edge of the surface.

### 217 Fall protection cover as control measure

A fall protection cover used as a control measure must—

- (a) be able to withstand the impact of a fall onto it of any person who may reasonably be expected to fall onto it to ensure that the person does not fall; and
- (b) be securely fixed in place to prevent it being moved or removed accidentally.

### 217A Travel restraint system as control measure

- (1) A travel restraint system used as a control measure must—
  - (a) be installed by a competent person; and
  - (b) have an anchorage point with a capacity to withstand any load that could be exerted on it in the normal operation of the system to restrain any person who may reasonably be expected to use the system.
- (2) A relevant person must not use, or allow another person to use, the system unless the person who is to use the system has been trained in the safe and correct use of the system.
- (3) A relevant person must not use, or allow another person to use, a component of the system that shows evidence of wear or weakness to an extent that may affect the system's safety.
- (4) A relevant person must ensure that, at least once every 6 months, a competent person—
  - (a) inspects the system; and
  - (b) gives the relevant person a written record of the inspection.

- (5) A relevant person must keep the record for the lesser of the following—
  - (a) 4 years;
  - (b) the life of the system.

### 217B Fall arresting platform as control measure

- (1) A fall arresting platform used as a control measure must be able to withstand the impact of a fall onto it of any person who may reasonably be expected to fall onto it.
- (2) The platform of the fall arresting platform must provide an unobstructed landing area, for a falling person, at least 675mm wide for the length of the platform.
- (3) If the slope of the surface from which construction work is to be performed is not over 26°, the fall arresting platform must be not over 1m lower than the surface.
- (4) If the slope of the surface from which construction work is to be performed is over 26°, the fall arresting platform must be not over 300mm lower than the surface.
- (5) The fall arresting platform must have edge protection complying with section 21699 erected—
  - (a) along the outer edge of the length of the fall arresting platform; and
  - (b) along the edge of each end of the fall arresting platform.
- (6) Subsection (7) applies if the gap between the following is over 225mm—
  - (a) the inner edge of the length of the platform;
  - (b) the face of a structure that is immediately beside the fall arresting platform.
- (7) A relevant person must, in complying with section 214 or 215, ensure that any control measures required to prevent or minimise the risk of a person falling off the inner edge are used.

<sup>99</sup> Section 216 (Edge protection as control measure)

### 217C Fall-arrest harness system as control measure

- (1) Each anchorage point of a fall-arrest harness system used as a control measure must be—
  - (a) designed by an engineer for the purpose for which it is intended to be used; or
  - (b) inspected and approved by a competent person before the anchorage point is first used by any person.
- (2) Each anchorage point of the system, other than an anchorage point supporting a static line, must have a capacity of at least—
  - (a) if only 1 person is using the anchorage point and the person could have a limited free fall—12kN; or
  - (b) if only 1 person is using the anchorage point and the person could have a free fall—15kN; or
  - (c) if 2 persons are using the anchorage point—21kN.
- (3) Each anchorage point of the system must be located so that a lanyard of the system can be attached to it before the person using the system moves into a position where the person could fall.
- (4) The system's device to absorb the energy of a falling person must limit the force applied to the person by a fall to not more than 6kN.
- (5) The system must be installed in accordance with the instructions of—
  - (a) if the system's manufacturer or supplier has given instructions about its installation—the manufacturer or supplier; and
  - (b) to the extent the system's manufacturer or supplier has not given instructions—an engineer or competent person.
- (6) The system must be maintained in accordance with the instructions of—
  - (a) if the system's manufacturer or supplier has given instructions about its maintenance—the manufacturer or supplier; and

- (b) to the extent the system's manufacturer or supplier has not given instructions—an engineer or competent person.
- (7) A relevant person must ensure there is enough distance available for a person using the system to fall to prevent the person hitting an object, the ground or another surface, other than a vertical surface.
- (8) For subsection (7), whether there is enough distance available must be worked out by taking the following into account—
  - (a) the person's height;
  - (b) the height and position of the anchorage point;
  - (c) the length of the lanyard;
  - (d) any slack in the static line;
  - (e) any stretching of the lanyard or static line when extended by a fall;
  - (f) the length of the energy absorber when extended by a fall:
  - (g) any other relevant factor.
- (9) A relevant person must ensure that—
  - (a) no part of the system can come into contact with anything that could affect the safe use of the system; and

Examples of a thing that could affect the safe use of a system—

- an edge of a platform or beam over which a lanyard would tighten if a fall were to happen
- part of an anchorage point that is not adequately padded
- (b) a person using the system is trained in the safe and correct use of the system; and
- (c) there are written procedures about—
  - (i) safely retrieving a person who has fallen, as soon as possible after the person has fallen; and
  - (ii) ensuring the safety of persons involved in the retrieval; and
- (d) the persons to be involved in carrying out the procedures are familiar with the procedures.

- (10) A relevant person must ensure that—
  - (a) a component of the system is not used if it shows evidence of wear or weakness to an extent that may affect the system's safety; and
  - (b) if a competent person considers that an anchorage point of the system is worn or that its load bearing capacity may be impaired—
    - (i) the anchorage point is not used; and
    - (ii) appropriate measures are taken to prevent its use while it is worn or its load bearing capacity may be impaired; and
  - (c) at least once every 6 months, a competent person inspects the components of the system, other than each anchorage point, and gives the relevant person a written record of the inspection; and
  - (d) the record is kept for the lesser of the following—
    - (i) 4 years;
    - (ii) the life of the system.
- (11) If the system has been used to arrest a fall, the system must not be used again unless its manufacturer or a competent person has inspected it and decided that it is fit for safe use.
- (12) A relevant person must not use, or allow another person to use, the system unless it is used in accordance with the instructions of—
  - (a) if the system's manufacturer or supplier has given instructions about its use—the manufacturer or supplier; or
  - (b) otherwise—an engineer or competent person.
- (13) A relevant person must not use, or allow another person to use, the system while the person using the system is alone.
- (14) Subsection (7) is a workplace health and safety obligation for the Act.
- (15) In this section—

free fall means a fall in which the distance a person using a fall-arrest harness system falls vertically before the system

starts to take loading is more than 600mm but not more than 2m.

*limited free fall* means a fall in which the distance a person using a fall-arrest harness system falls vertically before the system starts to take loading is not more than 600mm.

### 217D Industrial safety net as control measure

- (1) An industrial safety net used as a control measure must—
  - (a) be designed by an engineer or competent person for the purpose for which it is intended to be used; and
  - (b) be made of material designed to minimise injury to a person falling into the net; and
  - (c) have energy absorbing characteristics to reduce the shock or injury to a person falling into the net.
- (2) The net must be installed—
  - (a) so that a person falling into the net will not hit anything below the net; and
  - (b) as close as possible below the surface from which the person who is to be protected by the net is to work, but not more than the distance below the surface specified by—
    - (i) if the net's manufacturer or supplier has specified the distance—the manufacturer or supplier; or
    - (ii) otherwise—an engineer or competent person.
- (3) The net must, subject to anything specified under subsection (2), be installed in accordance with the instructions of—
  - (a) if the net's manufacturer or supplier has given instructions about its installation—the manufacturer or supplier; or
  - (b) otherwise—an engineer or competent person.
- (4) A relevant person must not use, or allow another person to use, the net unless it is used in accordance with the instructions, if any, of the net's manufacturer or supplier, an engineer or a competent person.

(5) A relevant person must ensure the net is inspected and maintained in accordance with the instructions, if any, of an engineer or competent person or the net's manufacturer or supplier.

## Subdivision 11 Relevant person's obligation for ladders

### 217E What work may be done from single or extension ladder

- (1) This section applies if a relevant person intends to perform construction work that involves a single or extension ladder.
- (2) The relevant person must not use, or allow another person to use, the ladder—
  - (a) to gain access to a place, unless the person using the ladder has at least 2 hands and 1 foot, or 2 feet and 1 hand, on the ladder from when the person is fully on the ladder to when the person is leaving the ladder; or
  - (b) to do construction work, other than to gain access to a place under paragraph (a), unless the work is permitted work.
- (3) Subsection (2) is a workplace health and safety obligation for the Act.

#### 217F Work on a ladder

- (1) This section applies if a relevant person intends to perform construction work that involves a ladder.
- (2) The relevant person must, before the work starts—
  - (a) ensure that each hazard that may result in a fall by the person who is to use the ladder or cause death or injury if the person were to fall from the ladder is identified; and
  - (b) ensure that the risk of death or injury that may result because of the hazard is assessed; and
  - (c) ensure that any control measures required to prevent, or minimise the level of, exposure to the risk are used.

- (3) Subsection (4) applies if the construction work is permitted work, and, in doing the work, a person could fall—
  - (a) for housing construction work—at least 3m; or
  - (b) otherwise—at least 2m.
- (4) The relevant person must not use, or allow another person to use, the ladder, if it is a single or extension ladder, unless—
  - (a) the person using the ladder—
    - (i) has at least 3 limbs holding, wrapped around or standing on the ladder in any combination; or

Example—

holding the ladder with 1 hand while standing on it with 2 feet

- (ii) is prevented from falling by a control measure, for example, a strap commonly known as a pole strap; or
- (iii) is using a fall-arrest harness system that is not attached to the ladder; and
- (b) the ladder is secured—
  - (i) at or near the top to prevent it moving; or

Examples—

- tying the top of the ladder to a plate fixed to the top of a wall frame
- clamping the top of the ladder to structural steel
- (ii) at or near the bottom to prevent it moving.

Examples—

- tying the bottom of the ladder to pegs in the ground
- a person, other than the person using the ladder, holding the ladder in position near the bottom of the ladder
- (5) Despite subsection (4)(a)(i), the person using the ladder may hold a stable object with 1 or both hands instead of holding the ladder with 1 or both hands.

Examples of stable objects—

guttering

- a fascia board or timber stud
- a plate fixed to the top of a wall frame
- (6) The relevant person must ensure that the ladder, if it is a single or extension ladder, and is used against a pole to do construction work, has a device that—
  - (a) is fitted at or near the top of the ladder between its sides; and
  - (b) helps to ensure the ladder's stability by partly accepting the shape of the pole.

Example—

a steel rope or steel hoop

(7) Subsections (2), (4) and (6) are workplace health and safety obligations for the Act.

### 217G Ladders generally

- (1) A relevant person performing construction work must ensure that a ladder, other than a trestle ladder, used for the work—
  - (a) has a load rating of at least 120kg; and
  - (b) is manufactured for industrial use; and
  - (c) is used only for the purpose for which it is designed; and
  - (d) is not used to support a weight greater than that for which it is designed; and
  - (e) is no longer than—
    - (i) for a single ladder—6.1m; or
    - (ii) for an extension ladder used to do electrical work—9.2m; or
    - (iii) for another extension ladder—7.5m.
- (2) However, subsection (1)(e) does not apply if the ladder is used for work in a confined space.

Example of a confined space—

a well

- (3) A ladder may be taken to have a load rating of at least 120kg if it appears to be marked by its manufacturer to show it has a load rating of at least 120kg.
- (4) A ladder may be taken to be manufactured for industrial use if it appears to be marked by its manufacturer to show it is for industrial use.
- (5) However, subsection (3) or (4) does not apply if the relevant person knows or suspects that the marking is—
  - (a) false; or
  - (b) not the manufacturer's marking.
- (6) The relevant person must ensure that—
  - (a) the bottom of the ladder is on a stable surface; and
  - (b) the rungs of the ladder are approximately level.
- (7) The relevant person must not use, or allow another person to use, the ladder to support a platform.
- (8) The relevant person must not use, or allow another person to use, the ladder, if it is a single or extension ladder, unless—
  - (a) it is placed so that the angle between the ladder and the horizontal is at least 70° but not more than 80° when in use; and
  - (b) if it is being used as a temporary means of access to or from a surface—the ladder extends at least 1m above the surface.
- (9) However, the ladder may be placed so that the angle between the ladder and the horizontal is more than 80° if—
  - (a) a lesser angle is impractical because the ladder is being used in a confined space; and
  - (b) control measures are used to prevent the ladder moving when in use.

Example of a control measure—

securing the top and bottom of the ladder to prevent it moving

- (10) Subsection (8)(b) does not apply if—
  - (a) it is impractical to comply with it, for example, because the work is being done from a surface attached to a pole; and
  - (b) the person using the ladder is attached to a fall-arrest harness system before the person moves from the ladder to the surface.
- (11) Subsections (1), (6), (7) and (8) are workplace health and safety obligations for the Act.

# Subdivision 12 Relevant person's obligation for platforms supported by trestle ladders

### 217H Work on platform supported by trestle ladders

- (1) This section applies if a relevant person intends to perform construction work that involves a platform supported by trestle ladders.
- (2) The relevant person must, before the work starts—
  - (a) ensure that each hazard that may result in a fall by the person who is to use the platform, or cause death or injury if the person who is to use the platform were to fall from the platform, is identified; and
  - (b) ensure that the risk of death or injury that may result because of the hazard is assessed; and
  - (c) ensure that any control measures required to prevent, or minimise the level of, exposure to the risk are used.
- (3) Also, the relevant person must ensure subsections (4) to (6) are complied with before the work starts if the work is—
  - (a) housing construction work and the person could fall at least 3m from the platform; or
  - (b) not housing construction work and the person could fall at least 2m from the platform.
- (4) Each trestle ladder must be secured to prevent it moving.

Examples of how a trestle ladder must be secured—

- tying the ladder to a sturdy wall
- bracing the ladder to the ground
- applying weights to the bottom of the ladder
- (5) Edge protection complying with section 216<sup>100</sup> must be erected along the outer edge of the length of the platform.
- (6) Any control measures required to prevent, or minimise the level of, exposure to the following risks must be used—
  - (a) the risk of the person falling off the inner edge of the length of the platform, if the gap between that inner edge and the face of a building, or other structure, that is immediately beside the platform is over 225mm;
  - (b) the risk of the person falling off the edge of each end of the platform.
- (7) Subsections (2) and (3) are workplace health and safety obligations for the Act.

### 217I Platform supported by trestle ladders

- (1) This section applies if a relevant person is performing construction work on a platform supported by trestle ladders.
- (2) Subsection (3) applies if the construction work—
  - (a) is housing construction work and a person doing the work could fall less than 3m from the platform; or
  - (b) is not housing construction work and a person doing the work could fall less than 2m from the platform.
- (3) The relevant person must ensure the platform has an unobstructed surface that is—
  - (a) if the work is light work—at least 225mm wide along the length of the platform; or
  - (b) if the work is not light work—at least 450mm wide along the length of the platform.
- (4) Subsection (5) applies if the construction work—

<sup>100</sup> Section 216 (Edge protection as control measure)

- (a) is housing construction work and a person doing the work could fall at least 3m from the platform; or
- (b) is not housing construction work and a person doing the work could fall at least 2m from the platform.
- (5) The relevant person must ensure—
  - (a) the platform has an unobstructed surface at least 450mm wide along the length of the platform; and
  - (b) the platform is not higher than 5m.
- (6) Subsections (3) and (5) are workplace health and safety obligations for the Act.

# Subdivision 13 Relevant person's obligation for scaffolding

### 217J Obligations before starting to erect or dismantle

- (1) A relevant person must, before construction work that is the erecting or dismantling of scaffolding starts—
  - (a) ensure each hazard that may result in a fall by the person who is to use the scaffolding, or cause death or injury if the person who is to use the scaffolding were to fall from the scaffolding, is identified; and
  - (b) ensure the risk of death or injury that may result because of the hazard is assessed; and
  - (c) ensure any control measures required to prevent, or minimise the level of, exposure to the risk are used.
- (2) Subsection (1) is a workplace health and safety obligation for the Act.

### 217K Erecting scaffolding

- (1) This section applies if a relevant person intends to perform construction work that is the erecting of scaffolding.
- (2) The relevant person must not erect, or allow another person to erect, the scaffolding if—

- (a) the erection of the scaffolding is housing construction work and a person could fall at least 3m in erecting the scaffolding; or
- (b) the erection of the scaffolding is not housing construction work and a person could fall at least 2m in erecting the scaffolding.
- (3) However, subsection (2) does not apply if—
  - (a) the person erecting the scaffolding—
    - (i) is prevented from falling from the scaffolding by a control measure; or
    - (ii) is using a fall-arrest harness system; or
  - (b) subsection (4) is complied with.
- (4) This subsection is complied with if—
  - (a) each of the following things is installed immediately after enough components of the scaffolding have been erected to support the thing—
    - (i) a platform at least 450mm wide along the full length of the section of scaffolding, designed to support the platform, at the level the scaffolding has reached;
    - (ii) edge protection across the space between the uprights forming the outer frame of the scaffolding at the level the scaffolding has reached;
    - (iii) a means of access to the level the scaffolding has reached; and

Example of a means of access temporary stairs or a ladder

- (b) before the next level of the scaffolding is erected, a platform is installed below the level at a distance of not more than—
  - (i) if the erection of the scaffolding is housing construction work—3m; or
  - (ii) otherwise—2m.
- (5) A platform under subsection (4)(b) must cover the full length and width of the section of scaffolding designed to support the

platform at the level at which it is installed, other than a part of the section required to raise planks or other components of the scaffolding between levels.

- (6) Subsection (4)—
  - (a) does not require a platform to be installed on the bottom level of the scaffolding; and
  - (b) does not stop the relevant person removing a platform after the relevant person has started work 2 levels above the level from which the platform is to be removed.
- (7) Subsection (2) is a workplace health and safety obligation for the Act.

### 217L Dismantling scaffolding

- (1) This section applies if a relevant person intends to perform construction work that is the dismantling of scaffolding.
- (2) The relevant person must not dismantle, or allow another person to dismantle, the scaffolding if—
  - (a) the dismantling of the scaffolding is housing construction work and a person could fall at least 3m in dismantling the scaffolding; or
  - (b) the dismantling of the scaffolding is not housing construction work and a person could fall at least 2m in dismantling the scaffolding.
- (3) However, subsection (2) does not apply if—
  - (a) the person dismantling the scaffolding is—
    - (i) prevented from falling from the scaffolding by a control measure; or
    - (ii) using a fall-arrest harness system; or
  - (b) each of the following is complied with—
    - (i) any edge protection for the scaffolding and any means of access to the level that the dismantling has reached are kept in place while it is practicable to do so;

- (ii) there is in place while it is practicable a platform at least 450mm wide at the level the dismantling has reached;
- (iii) there is in place a platform at a level (the *lower level*) below the level the dismantling has reached at a distance of not more than—
  - (A) if the dismantling of the scaffolding is housing construction work—3m; or
  - (B) otherwise—2m.
- (4) The platform required under subsection (3)(b)(iii) must cover the full length and width of the section of scaffolding designed to support the platform at the lower level, other than a part of the section required to lower planks or other components of the scaffolding between levels.
- (5) Subsection (2) is a workplace health and safety obligation for the Act.

## Subdivision 14 Relevant person's obligation for falling objects

### 217M Application of sdiv 14

This subdivision applies to construction work if—

- (a) an object could fall on or otherwise hit persons during the work; and
- (b) there is no principal contractor for the work.

### 217N Relevant person's obligation if no principal contractor

- (1) The relevant person has the obligations contained in division 2, subdivision 11 for the construction work if the relevant person is doing the work.
- (2) In applying the subdivision to the relevant person, a reference to a principal contractor in the subdivision is taken to be a reference to a relevant person.

(3) Subsection (1) is a workplace health and safety obligation for the Act.

### Subdivision 15 Relevant person's obligation for first aid

#### 2170 First aid

(1) A relevant person performing construction work must ensure that first aid equipment is reasonably accessible to the person and, if the relevant person is an employer, to the person's workers.

Maximum penalty—20 penalty units.

- (2) The first aid equipment must be appropriate and adequate for the construction work and the relevant person or the person's workers.
- (3) The relevant person must ensure that all first aid equipment made available by the person is maintained in a hygienic, safe and serviceable condition.

Maximum penalty for subsection (3)—20 penalty units.

### Division 4 Workers

### 217P Application of div 4

This division applies only to a worker performing construction work.

### 217Q Worker to hold general induction evidence before starting construction work

- (1) A worker must not start construction work unless the worker—
  - (a) holds general induction evidence; and
  - (b) has shown the employer of the worker the general induction evidence.

Maximum penalty—30 penalty units.

(2) In this section—

*construction work* does not include work to repair a structure that is fixed plant, a ship or a submarine.

# Division 5 General provisions about control measures and plant for pt 17

### 217R Control measure to be in place and monitored and reviewed

- (1) This section applies if—
  - (a) a provision (the *original provision*) of this part requires a principal contractor or relevant person to use a control measure for a risk before particular work starts; and
  - (b) a control measure (the *original control measure*) is used in accordance with the original provision.
- (2) The principal contractor or relevant person must ensure that, while the risk exists, an effective control measure for the risk is used.
- (3) If the original control measure was chosen from a number of control measures that were available under this regulation to be used for the risk (the *available control measures*), a control measure used for the risk is an effective control measure for the risk only if it was chosen from the available control measures.
- (4) If the original control measure is the only control measure that was available under this regulation to be used for the risk, only the original control measure is an effective control measure for the risk.
- (5) The principal contractor or relevant person must monitor and review the effectiveness of a control measure in place for the risk unless the control measure is an effective control measure because of subsection (3) or (4).
- (6) Subsections (2) and (5) are workplace health and safety obligations for the Act.

#### (7) In this section—

*effective control measure*, for a risk, means a control measure that is effective to prevent, or minimise the level of, exposure to the risk.

### 217S Plant not to be used as control measure unless it has been maintained

- (1) A principal contractor for construction work must not use, or allow a person to use, plant provided by the principal contractor as a control measure under this part unless the plant has been maintained.
- (2) A relevant person must not use, or allow another person to use, plant provided by the relevant person as a control measure under this part unless the plant has been maintained.
- (3) Subsections (1) and (2) do not affect the requirement about the maintenance of an industrial safety net under section 217D(5).<sup>101</sup>
- (4) Subsections (1) and (2) are workplace health and safety obligations for the Act.

#### 217T Plant erected or installed after construction work starts

- (1) This section applies if—
  - (a) a provision of this part requires a principal contractor or relevant person to use control measures before particular construction work starts; and
  - (b) a provision of this part imposes a requirement in relation to an item of plant if it is used as a control measure; and

Example of a provision—

- a provision about the design, specifications, inspection, maintenance or use of the plant
- (c) the principal contractor or relevant person erects or installs plant of the same type at a later time.

<sup>101</sup> Section 217D (Industrial safety net as control measure)

- (2) The principal contractor or relevant person must comply with the provision as if the plant were to be erected or installed before the construction work started.
- (3) Subsection (2) is a workplace health and safety obligation for the Act.

### 217U Written evidence about plant from engineer or competent person may be relied on

- (1) This section applies if a provision of this part imposes a requirement on a principal contractor or relevant person in relation to an item of plant.
- (2) If compliance with the requirement requires an engineer or competent person to have performed a task in relation to the plant, the principal contractor or relevant person may comply with the requirement by obtaining a document in original or copy form purporting to be by an engineer or competent person for the task evidencing the task has been performed by the engineer or competent person.
- (3) If the requirement is about the ability of the plant or a component of the plant to withstand a particular force or impact or bear a particular load, the principal contractor or relevant person may comply with the requirement by obtaining a document in original or copy form purporting to be by an engineer evidencing the plant or component can withstand the force or impact or bear the load.
- (4) Subsections (2) and (3) do not permit reliance on a document the principal contractor or relevant person knows or suspects to be false, or misleading, in a material particular.

# Division 6 Chief executive may ask for information from Queensland Building Services Authority

#### 217V Definitions for div 6

In this division—

#### Workplace Health and Safety Regulation 1997

building contractor has the meaning given by the Queensland Building Services Authority Act 1991, schedule 2.

*relevant information* means the following information about residential construction work—

- (a) the name of the owner of the land on which the residential construction work is being carried out;
- (b) the address of the land;
- (c) the name of any building contractor or other person who will be carrying out the residential construction work.

#### residential construction work means—

- (a) residential construction work under the *Queensland Building Services Authority Act 1991* for which an insurance premium has been paid under section 68<sup>102</sup> of that Act; or
- (b) building work under the *Queensland Building Services*Authority Act 1991 being carried out at a workplace under an owner-builder permit under that Act.

### 217W Chief executive may ask general manager of Queensland Building Services Authority for relevant information

- (1) For ensuring the workplace health and safety of persons who may be affected by residential construction work, the chief executive may ask the general manager of the Queensland Building Services Authority for relevant information.
- (2) If the chief executive asks the general manager for information under subsection (1), the general manager must comply with the request.
- (3) The general manager does not commit an offence merely by failing to comply with subsection (2).

<sup>102</sup> Queensland Building Services Authority Act 1991, section 68 (Payment of insurance premium)

# Part 21 Amenities—work that is not construction work

### 218 Amenities for rural industry work

Section 220 and schedule 8B<sup>103</sup> state particular duties of an employer about amenities for work in a rural industry.<sup>104</sup>

### 219 Amenities for work that is not construction work or rural industry work

Section 220 and schedule 8C<sup>105</sup> state particular duties of an employer about amenities for the employer's workers performing work that is not construction work or work in a rural industry.

#### 220 Maintenance of amenities

(1) An employer who makes an amenity available under schedule 8B or 8C must ensure that the amenity is maintained under subsection (2).

Maximum penalty—20 penalty units.

- (2) An amenity must be maintained in a hygienic, safe and serviceable condition, including by ensuring that there is a system for—
  - (a) inspecting and cleaning the amenity; and
  - (b) if the amenity has facilities to dispose of sanitary items for females—the adequate and hygienic disposal of the sanitary items.

<sup>103</sup> Schedule 8B (Employers—particular amenities for rural industry work)

<sup>104</sup> Rural industry is defined in schedule 9 (Dictionary).

<sup>105</sup> Schedule 8C (Employers—particular amenities for work that is not construction work or rural industry work)

### Part 21A

Employers—requirements for building provided for worker to occupy when performing work that is not construction work or rural industry work

### 221 Ventilation, lighting, floor area and air space for building

- (1) Schedule 8D<sup>106</sup> states particular duties of an employer—
  - (a) whose worker is at a workplace and performing work that is not construction work or work in a rural industry;
     and
  - (b) who provides a building<sup>107</sup> at the workplace for the worker to occupy when performing work that is not construction work or work in a rural industry.
- (2) The duties are about ventilation, lighting, floor area and air space for the building.

# Part 21B Employers—atmospheric contaminants

### 222 Level of atmospheric contaminants

- (1) This section applies to an atmospheric contaminant, other than a hazardous substance as defined in section 100,<sup>108</sup> for which the national exposure standard states an exposure level.
- (2) An employer must ensure that the level of the atmospheric contaminant generated from a process carried out in the conduct of the employer's business or undertaking is not more

<sup>106</sup> Schedule 8D (Employers—requirements for building provided for worker to occupy when performing work that is not construction work or rural industry work)

<sup>107</sup> Building is defined in schedule 9 (Dictionary).

<sup>108</sup> Section 100 (Meaning of *hazardous substance* for division)

than the exposure standard stated for the atmospheric contaminant in the national exposure standard.

Maximum penalty—20 penalty units.

### Part 21C First aid

### 223 Employers—work other than construction work

- (1A) This section does not apply to construction work.
  - (1) An employer must ensure that first aid equipment is reasonably accessible to each of the employer's workers.
    - Maximum penalty—20 penalty units.
  - (2) The first aid equipment must be appropriate and adequate for the worker and the worker's work.
  - (3) An employer must ensure that first aid equipment is reasonably accessible to the employer.
    - Maximum penalty—20 penalty units.
  - (4) The first aid equipment must be appropriate and adequate for the employer and the employer's work.
  - (5) An employer must ensure that the following first aid equipment is maintained in a hygienic, safe and serviceable condition—
    - (a) all first aid equipment made available by the employer to a worker of the employer;
    - (b) all first aid equipment made available by the employer for his or her own use.

Maximum penalty for subsection (5)—20 penalty units.

### 224 Employers—workers performing rural industry work

The employer of a worker performing work in a rural industry must ensure that, if practicable, a person with first aid training is available to treat an injury suffered by the worker in performing the work.

Maximum penalty—20 penalty units.

# Part 21D Workplace health and safety contributions

### 226 Purpose of pt 21D

The purpose of this part is to provide for the payment of workplace health and safety contributions by non-scheme employers for part 14, division 1B<sup>109</sup> of the Act.

### 227 Amount of workplace health and safety contribution

(1) For section 182F(2)(a)<sup>110</sup> of the Act, the amount of the workplace health and safety contribution payable by a non-scheme employer for a financial year is the amount worked out under the formula—

$$\mathbf{W} = \left(\frac{\mathbf{A}}{\mathbf{B}} \times \mathbf{C}\right) \times \frac{\mathbf{D}}{\mathbf{E}}$$

(2) In subsection (1)—

 $\boldsymbol{A}$  means the total amount of payments for the financial year made by the Workers' Compensation Regulatory Authority under the Workers' Compensation Act, section  $479(1)(b)^{111}$  for the prevention or recognition of injury to workers.

**B** means the number of workers covered by the Queensland workers' compensation scheme in the financial year.

<sup>109</sup> Part 14 (General), division 1B (Workplace health and safety contributions) of the

<sup>110</sup> Section 182F (Working out workplace health and safety contribution amounts) of the Act

<sup>111</sup> Workers' Compensation Act, section 479 (Amounts payable by Authority on Minister's instruction)

*C* means the number of workers employed by the non-scheme employer in Queensland in the financial year.

**D** means the rate for the financial year for the non-scheme employer's industry or business specified by industrial gazette notice under the Workers' Compensation Act, section 54.<sup>112</sup>

*E* means the average rate of premium for the financial year of all employers under the Queensland workers' compensation scheme.

W means workplace health and safety contribution.

(3) However, no payment is required if an amount has been paid as annual levy under the Workers' Compensation Act, section 81<sup>113</sup> by or in relation to the non-scheme employer for the same financial year.

### Part 22 Miscellaneous

### 229 Rural industry exemption

- (1) A relevant person in rural industry is exempted from complying with the following provisions—
  - part 2 in relation to plant that is a mobile elevating work platform with an elevation of 6m or less
  - part 3
  - part 3A, except in relation to a prescribed activity that is asbestos removal work
  - part 4
  - part 13
  - part 14
  - part 15

<sup>112</sup> Workers' Compensation Act, section 54 (Setting of premium)

<sup>113</sup> Workers' Compensation Act, section 81 (Annual levy payable)

#### Workplace Health and Safety Regulation 1997

- part 17, division 3, subdivision 9
- part 21B.
- (2) A worker in rural industry is exempted from complying with part 3.

### 229A Time for giving workplace health and safety undertaking

For section 42DA(2)<sup>114</sup> of the Act, a workplace health and safety undertaking must be received by the chief executive within 90 days after the identified person for the undertaking is served with a summons in relation to the alleged contravention.

### 230 Appeal against decision of Authority

The *Building and Construction Industry (Portable Long Service Leave) Act 1991*, part 9<sup>115</sup> applies to a decision, determination, direction or notice made or given by the Authority under this regulation.

### Part 23 Transitional provisions

# Division 1 Pc's workplace plan and pc's demolition work plan

### 231 Transitional provision for pc's workplace plan and pc's demolition work plan

(1) If construction work under a pc's workplace plan for a construction workplace started before the commencement of this section, the pc's workplace plan, as in force under this regulation immediately before the commencement, may be

<sup>114</sup> Section 42DA (Giving workplace health and safety undertaking) of the Act

<sup>115</sup> Building and Construction Industry (Portable Long Service Leave) Act 1991, part 9 (Appeals)

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- taken to be the construction workplace plan for the construction workplace.
- (2) However, if the construction work includes demolition work, whether started before or after the commencement of this section, the pc's workplace plan, and the pc's demolition work plan for the demolition work as in force under this regulation immediately before the commencement, may together be taken to be the construction workplace plan for the construction workplace.

### Division 2 Induction for specified work

### 232 Transitional provision for Workplace Health and Safety induction for specified work

- (1) Until the end of 31 December 2002, section 63 of this regulation, as in force immediately before the commencement of this section, is taken to continue in force as if it had not been repealed.
- (2) All provisions of this regulation, as in force immediately before the commencement of this section, that are necessary to support the continuing operation of section 63 under subsection (1) but that are amended or repealed on the commencement of this section, are taken to continue in force to support the continuing operation of section 63 until the end of 31 December 2002 as if they had not been amended or repealed.

# Division 3 Certificates of registration of registrable plant design

# 233 Transitional provision for Workplace Health and Safety Amendment Regulation (No. 1) 2004—applications for certificate of registration of registrable plant design

(1) This section applies to an application for a certificate of registration of registrable plant design, made under

- pre-amended section 35,116 but not decided, before the commencement of this section.
- (2) The application must be decided as if the *Workplace Health* and *Safety Amendment Regulation (No. 1) 2004* had not commenced.
- (3) In this section—

*pre-amended section 35* means section 35 as in force immediately before the commencement of this section.

# 234 Transitional provision for Workplace Health and Safety Amendment Regulation (No. 1) 2004—certificates of registration of registrable plant design

- (1) Subsection (2) applies if, immediately before the commencement of this section—
  - (a) a certificate of registration of registrable plant design for the design of plant was in force; and
  - (b) repealed section 15(1)(a) and (b)<sup>117</sup> had been complied with for the design.
- (2) The certificate is taken to be a certificate of registration of registrable plant design for the design in force under part 5, division 1<sup>118</sup> until the certificate stops having effect under section 16A.<sup>119</sup>
- (3) Subsection (4) applies if—
  - (a) a certificate of registration of registrable plant design for the design of plant is granted under section 233; and
  - (b) when the certificate is granted, repealed section 15(1)(a) and (b) is complied with for the design.
- (4) The certificate is taken to be a certificate of registration of registrable plant design for the design in force under part 5,

<sup>116</sup> Section 35 (How to apply)

<sup>117</sup> Repealed section 15 (Use etc. of registrable plant design that is not approved or registered)

<sup>118</sup> Part 5 (Certificates), division 1 (Interpretation)

<sup>119</sup> Section 16A (When certificate of registration is in force)

division 1 until the certificate stops having effect under section 16A.

(5) In this section—

**repealed section 15(1)(a) and (b)** means section 15(1)(a) and (b) as in force immediately before the commencement of this section.

# Division 4 Certain amenities complying, or leased or acquired, immediately before 1 January 2005

#### 235 Definitions for div 4

In this division—

agreement, in relation to a formerly complying amenity, includes—

- (a) a lease or arrangement; and
- (b) a variation of an agreement; and
- (c) an agreement under which the employer is not the only party to the agreement to whom the formerly complying amenity is to be made available.

### formerly complying amenity means—

- (a) a lunch room, whether in or adjacent to the employer's workplace, complying with the repealed regulation, schedule 7, section 5<sup>120</sup> (*formerly complying lunch room*); or
- (b) a dressing room complying with the repealed regulation, schedule 7, section 6<sup>121</sup> (*formerly complying dressing room*); or

<sup>120</sup> Repealed regulation, schedule 7 (Workplace amenities (for workplaces other than construction workplaces)), section 5 (Lunch place)

Repealed regulation, schedule 7 (Workplace amenities (for workplaces other than construction workplaces)), section 6 (Dressing rooms)

(c) a toilet complying with the repealed regulation, schedule 7, section 7<sup>122</sup> (*formerly complying toilet*).

repealed regulation means the repealed Workplace Health and Safety (Miscellaneous) Regulation 1995 as in force immediately before 1 January 2005. 123

### 236 Employers to whom this division applies

(1) This division applies to an employer if, immediately before 1 January 2005, the employer's workplace had a formerly complying amenity.

Example—

a workplace had an amenity even if the amenity was temporarily closed for repairs or for another reason

- (2) This division also applies to an employer if—
  - (a) before 1 January 2005, the employer entered into an agreement under which a formerly complying amenity is to be leased or acquired by, or otherwise made available to, the employer; and
  - (b) when entering into the agreement, the employer intended to make the formerly complying amenity available, as an employer, for the employer's workplace or future workplace; and
  - (c) the formerly complying amenity is made available to the employer on or after 1 January 2005 under the agreement.
- (3) An employer under subsection (2) need not have been an employer when subsection (2)(a), (b) or (c) happened.

#### 237 Lunch room

(1) This section applies if—

<sup>122</sup> Repealed regulation, schedule 7 (Workplace amenities (for workplaces other than construction workplaces)), section 7 (Toilets)

<sup>123</sup> The Workplace Health and Safety (Miscellaneous) Regulation 1995 expired on 31 December 2004.

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- (a) an employer to whom this division applies makes a dining room available for the purpose of complying with schedule 8C, section 17(3);<sup>124</sup> and
- (b) the dining room is a formerly complying lunch room; and
- (c) the dining room is not being used to accommodate more workers at the one time than could reasonably be accommodated at the one time as a formerly complying lunch room.

### (2) For that purpose—

- (a) the following provisions do not apply, in relation to the dining room, to the employer—
  - (i) schedule 8F, part 1, division 1,<sup>125</sup> acceptable solution A8;
  - (ii) schedule 8F, part 1, division 2,126 acceptable solution A9(i)(i) to the extent it requires an area to comply with A8; and
- (b) the dining room need not be part of a building.
- (3) In this section—

*dining room* see schedule 8F, part 2,<sup>127</sup> section headed 'Definitions'.

### 238 Dressing room

- (1) This section applies if—
  - (a) an employer to whom this division applies makes a formerly complying dressing room available for the

<sup>124</sup> Schedule 8C (Employers—particular amenities for work that is not construction work or rural industry work), section 17 (Performance criteria to be complied with)

<sup>125</sup> Schedule 8F (Applied QDC provisions), part 1 (Performance criteria and acceptable solutions), division 1 (Dining facilities)

<sup>126</sup> Schedule 8F (Applied QDC provisions), part 1 (Performance criteria and acceptable solutions), division 2 (Dressing room facilities)

<sup>127</sup> Schedule 8F (Applied QDC provisions), part 2 (Other provisions for complying with performance criteria)

- purpose of complying with schedule 8C, section 21(3);<sup>128</sup> and
- (b) the formerly complying dressing room is not being used to accommodate more workers at the one time than could reasonably be accommodated at the one time as a formerly complying dressing room.
- (2) For that purpose, the following provisions of schedule 8F, part 1, division 2<sup>129</sup> do not apply, in relation to the formerly complying dressing room, to the employer—
  - (a) acceptable solution A9(a), (b) or (d);
  - (b) acceptable solution A9(i)(i) to the extent it requires an area to comply with A9(a), (b) or (d).
- (3) In this section—

*dressing room* see schedule 8F, part 2, section headed 'Definitions'.

#### 239 Toilets

- (1) This section applies if an employer to whom this division applies makes a formerly complying toilet, that is not portable, available for the purpose of complying with schedule 8C, section 10(1).<sup>130</sup>
- (2) For that purpose, the following provisions do not apply, in relation to the formerly complying toilet, to the employer—
  - (a) schedule 8C, section 13;<sup>131</sup>
  - (b) schedule 8E, part 1, division 1, section F2.5.<sup>132</sup>

<sup>128</sup> Schedule 8C (Employers—particular amenities for work that is not construction work or rural industry work), section 21 (Performance criteria to be complied with)

<sup>129</sup> Schedule 8F (Applied QDC provisions), part 1 (Performance criteria and acceptable solutions), division 2 (Dressing room facilities)

<sup>130</sup> Schedule 8C (Employers—particular amenities for work that is not construction work or rural industry work), section 10 (Toilets, and hands and face washing facilities)

<sup>131</sup> Schedule 8C (Employers—particular amenities for work that is not construction work or rural industry work), section 13 (Location of toilet)

<sup>132</sup> Schedule 8E (Applied BCA provisions), part 1 (Toilets, and hands and face washing facilities), division 1 (Performance requirements)

(3) However, the formerly complying toilet must be in a cubicle, or room, that gives privacy.

### Division 5

Transitional provisions for Workers' Compensation and Rehabilitation and Other Legislation Amendment Regulation (No. 1) 2005

### 240 Certificates to work in prescribed occupation—self-erecting tower cranes

- (1) This section applies in relation to a prescribed occupation that is the operation of a self-erecting tower crane.
- (2) A person is not required to obtain a certificate to work in the prescribed occupation until 1 July 2007 if, on the commencement of this section, the person holds a certificate to work in a prescribed occupation that is the operation of a tower crane.

### 241 Construction work—construction safety plans

- (1) This section applies to construction work started before the commencement of this section.
- (2) A construction workplace plan for construction work prepared under this regulation, as in force immediately before the commencement, is taken to be a construction safety plan for the construction work.
- (3) A work method statement for a high risk construction activity prepared under this regulation, as in force immediately before the commencement, is taken to be a work method statement for a high risk construction activity, other than a prescribed activity.
- (4) A work method statement for a prescribed activity that is demolition work prepared under this regulation, as in force immediately before the commencement, is taken to be a work method statement for a high risk construction activity that is a prescribed activity.

### 242 Construction work—general induction evidence before 1 January 2006

- (1) This section applies to—
  - (a) a principal contractor; or
  - (b) an existing construction person.
- (2) Sections 65J, 65S, 65T and 65U<sup>133</sup> do not apply in relation to a person to whom this section applies only because the person is required to sight, hold or show general induction evidence in relation to starting, or allowing an existing construction person to start, new construction work.
- (3) In this section—

existing construction person means an employer, self-employed person or worker who, at any time between 2 November 2005 and 31 December 2005 (both inclusive), was or is performing new construction work.

new construction work means work that—

- (a) was not construction work before 2 November 2005; but
- (b) became construction work on 2 November 2005.

### 243 Construction work—general induction evidence from 1 January 2006

- (1) Sections 169, 198, 199 and 217Q<sup>134</sup> do not apply in relation to an existing construction person until 30 July 2007.
- (2) In this section—

existing construction person means a relevant person or

<sup>133</sup> Sections 65J (Principal contractor must sight general induction evidence before work starts), 65S (Employer must ensure general induction evidence is held before work starts), 65T (Self-employed person must hold general induction evidence before work starts) and 65U (Worker must hold general induction evidence before work starts)

<sup>134</sup> Sections 169 (Principal contractor to sight general induction evidence before construction work starts), 198 (Relevant person to hold general induction evidence before starting construction work), 199 (Relevant person who is employer to ensure worker holds general induction evidence before worker starts construction work) and 217Q (Worker to hold general induction evidence before starting construction work)

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worker who, at any time between 2 November 2005 and 31 December 2005 (both inclusive), was performing new construction work.

#### *new construction work* means work that—

- (a) was not construction work before 2 November 2005; but
- (b) became construction work on 2 November 2005.

### Schedule 1 Fees

section 4

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1	Not	tificat	tion of building and construction work	
	(1)		section sets the fee, under section 47, for notification of building and construction x.	
	(2)		fee is 0.125% of the cost of the building and truction work.	
2			ntion, or renewal of certificate of tion, of registrable plant	
	(1)	This	section sets the fee for the following—	
			registration, under section 11, of registrable plant;	
		(b)	renewal, under section 41, of a certificate of registration of registrable plant.	
	(2)	The	fee is—	
		(a)	subject to subsection (3), for a boiler with a heating surface of—	
			(i) not more than $5m^2$	59.75
			(ii) more than $5m^2$ but $10m^2$ or less	143.10
			(iii) more than $10m^2$ but $60m^2$ or less	224.75
			(iv) more than $60m^2$ but $500m^2$ or less	430.60
			(v) more than $500m^2$ but $2000m^2$ or less	761.90
			(vi) more than $2000m^2$	1 286.70
		(b)	for an unfired pressure vessel with a capacity of—	
			(i) more than $0.5m^3$ but $5m^3$ or less	64.70
			(ii) more than $5m^3$ but $15m^3$ or less	110.60
			(iii) more than 15m³ but 30m³ or less	166.60
			(iv) more than 30m <sup>3</sup>	219.15

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	(1)		ving—	
		(a) a	a certificate to work in a prescribed occupation under part 3;	
		а	a certificate of authority of appointment of a workplace health and safety officer under part 4.	
	(2)	The fe	ee is—	
			For an assessment of qualifications or experience for a certificate	25.00
			For an application, under section 19, for a certificate to work in a prescribed	
			occupation	49.70
		C	For an application, under section 31, for a certificate of authority of appointment of a workplace health and safety officer	49.70
		(d) f	For an application, under section 45, to replace a lost, damaged or destroyed	
			certificate	25.00
5	Cei	tificat	es—prescribed activities	
	(1)	This section sets the fees relating to a certificate		
		to perform a prescribed activity under part 3A.		
	(2)		ee is—	
			For an application, under section 29C, for a certificate	49.70
			For an application, under section 45, to replace a lost, damaged or destroyed	
		(	pertificate	25.00

### Schedule 1 (continued)

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	(1)	This section sets the fees relating to a certificate of appointment as an accredited provider under part 4A.	
	(2)	The fee is—	
		(a) for an application, under section 33, for a certificate	49.70
		(b) for an assessment of an application for a certificate, for each year or part of a year.	142.40
		(c) for an application, under section 45, to replace a lost, damaged or destroyed certificate	25.00
7		port about occupational health and safety formance for Workers' Compensation Act	
	(1)	This section sets the fee for the preparation, under part 14, division 1A of the Act, of a report about the occupational health and safety performance of a single employer or group employer for the issue or renewal of a licence to be a self-insurer under the Workers' Compensation Act, section 71 or 72.	
	(2)	The fee is—	
		(a) for a single employer	895.10
		(b) for a group employer	1 189.30

### Schedule 2 Accredited courses

section 33A

Course code	Course name		
30215QLD	Course in general safety induction (construction industry)		
30494QLD	Course in self-erecting tower crane operation		
30496QLD	Course in operating load shifting equipment		
30497QLD	Course in operating crane, rigging and scaffolding equipment		
30498QLD	Course in operating pressure equipment		
30523QLD	Course in recertification to function as a workplace health and safety officer		
30596QLD	Course in functioning as a workplace health and safety officer		

### Schedule 3 Registrable plant

### schedule 9, definition registrable plant

- 1 air conditioning units
- 2 specified amusement devices, other than coin operated amusement devices
- boilers categorised as hazard level A, B or C under the criteria mentioned in AS 4343, 135 as in force on 1 July 2000
- 4 building maintenance units
- 5 cooling towers
- 6 lifts other than lifts installed in a private residence within the meaning given by AS 1735<sup>136</sup>
- 7 escalators
- 8 mobile cranes with a safe working load of more than 10t, other than those that are manually powered
- 9 pressure vessels categorised as hazard level A, B or C under the criteria mentioned in AS 4343, as in force on 1 July 2000, other than—
  - (a) refillable gas cylinders mentioned in AS 2030;<sup>137</sup> and
  - (b) LP gas fuel vessels for automotive use mentioned in AS 3509;<sup>138</sup> and
  - (c) serial produced vessels mentioned in AS 2971<sup>139</sup>
- 10 tower cranes, other than those that are manually powered
- 11 truck-mounted concrete placing units with booms, other than those that are manually powered

<sup>135</sup> AS 4343 (Pressure equipment – hazard levels)

<sup>136</sup> AS 1735 (Lifts, escalators and moving walks)

<sup>137</sup> AS 2030 (The verification, filling, inspection, testing and maintenance of cylinders for storage and transport of compressed gases)

<sup>138</sup> AS 3509 (LP (liquefied petroleum) gas fuel vessels for automotive use)

<sup>139</sup> AS 2971 (Serially produced pressure vessels)

### Schedule 4 Registrable plant design

sections 16 and 16C and schedule 9, definition registrable plant design

- 1 boom-type elevating work platform
- 2 bridge crane with a safe working load of at least 10t
- 3 bridge crane or gantry crane designed to handle molten metal or dangerous goods
- 4 building maintenance unit
- 5 escalator<sup>140</sup>
- 6 gantry crane with a safe working load of more than 5t
- 7 LP gas cylinder<sup>141</sup>
- 8 personnel hoist
- 9 lift<sup>142</sup>
- 10 mast climbing work platform
- 11 mobile crane with a safe working load of more than 10t
- 12 prefabricated scaffolding
- 13 pressure equipment with hazard level A, B, C or D, as worked out under the criteria stated in AS 4343<sup>143</sup> as in force on 1 July 2000, other than pressure piping
- 14 refillable gas cylinder
- 15 specified amusement device, other than—
  - (a) a coin operated amusement device; or

<sup>140</sup> Escalator is defined in schedule 2 of the Act.

<sup>141</sup> *LP gas cylinder* is defined in schedule 2 of the Act.

<sup>142</sup> *Lift* is defined in schedule 2 of the Act.

<sup>143</sup> AS 4343 (Pressure equipment—Hazard levels)

### Schedule 4 (continued)

- (b) a specified amusement device manufactured before 30 July 2004 and classified as a class 2, 3, 4 or 5 amusement device in AS 3533-1997<sup>144</sup> that, if it had been manufactured before 5 December 1997, would have been classified as a class 1 amusement device in AS 3533-1988<sup>145</sup>
- 16 tower crane
- 17 vehicle hoist
- 18 work box

<sup>144</sup> AS 3533–1997 (Amusement rides and devices)

<sup>145</sup> AS 3533–1988 (Amusement rides and devices)

### Schedule 5 Prescribed occupations<sup>146</sup>

### schedule 9, definition prescribed occupation

- 1 For crane or hoist operation—
  - (a) operator of a tower crane;
  - (b) operator of a derrick crane;
  - (c) operator of a portal boom crane;
  - (d) operator of a bridge or gantry crane (other than a bridge or gantry crane operated by a remote control) having not more than 3 powered operations;
  - (e) operator of a vehicle loading crane with a capacity of 10 metre tonnes or more;
  - (f) operator of a nonslewing mobile crane with a capacity of more than 3t;
  - (g) operator of a slewing mobile crane with a capacity of—
    - (i) 20t or less; or
    - (ii) 60t or less; or
    - (iii) 100t or less; or
    - (iv) more than 100t;
  - (h) operator of a boom type elevating work platform with a boom length of 11m or more;
  - (i) operator of a mobile truck mounted concrete placing boom with a knuckle boom capable of power operated slewing and luffing;
  - (j) operator of a materials hoist with a cantilever platform;
  - (k) operator of a materials or personnel hoist;
  - (l) operator of a self-erecting tower crane.

<sup>146</sup> Many of the terms in this schedule are defined in the dictionary in schedule 9.

### Schedule 5 (continued)

- 2 For load shifting equipment operation—
  - (a) operator of a bridge or gantry crane—if load being lifted by remote control having not more than 3 powered operations is more than 5t;
  - (b) operator of a dozer;
  - (c) operator of an excavator having an engine capacity of more than 2L;
  - (d) operator of a fork lift truck (other than a pedestrian operated fork lift truck);
  - (e) operator of a front-end loader having an engine capacity of more than 2L;
  - (f) operator of a front-end loader/backhoe having an engine capacity of more than 2L;
  - (g) operator of a grader;
  - (h) operator of an order picking fork lift truck;
  - (i) operator of a road roller having an engine capacity of more than 2L;
  - (j) operator of a skid steer loader having an engine capacity of more than 2L;
  - (k) operator of a scraper.
- 3 For pressure equipment operation—
  - (a) advanced boiler operator;
  - (b) intermediate boiler operator;
  - (c) basic boiler operator;
  - (d) operator of a turbine with a power output of 500kW or more;
  - (e) operator of a reciprocating steam engine with a piston diameter of more than 250mm.

### Schedule 5 (continued)

- 4 For rigging—
  - (a) advanced rigger;
  - (b) intermediate rigger;
  - (c) basic rigger.
- 5 Dogger.
- 6 For scaffolding from which a person or thing may fall more than 4m—
  - (a) advanced scaffolder;
  - (b) intermediate scaffolder;
  - (c) basic scaffolder.

Example of items 1(d) and (2)(a)—

Each of the following paragraphs refer to 1 powered operation—

- (a) raising and lowering a load;
- (b) moving the crane along the runways;
- (c) traversing the hoisting mechanism across the bridge beam;
- (d) rotating the hoisting mechanism.

# Schedule 6 Hazardous substances for which health surveillance must be supplied

section 109

Column 1 Hazardous substance	Column 2 Health surveillance
4,4' Methylenebis (2-chloroaniline) (MOCA)	Demographic, medical and occupational history
	Dipstick analysis of urine for haematuria
	Health advice
	Urinary total MOCA
	Urine cytology
Acrylonitrile	Demographic, medical and occupational history
	Exposure record
	Health advice
	Physical examination if decided by the designated doctor supervising the health surveillance
Asbestos	Demographic, medical and occupational history
	Exposure record
	Health advice
	Physical examination if decided by the designated doctor supervising the health surveillance
Benzene	Baseline blood sample for haematological profile

### Schedule 6 (continued)

Column 1 Hazardous substance	Column 2 Health surveillance
	Demographic, medical and occupational history
	Exposure record
	Health advice
Cadmium	Demographic, medical and occupational history
	Exposure record
	Health advice including counselling about the effect of smoking on cadmium exposure
	Physical examination with emphasis on the respiratory system
	Standard respiratory function tests including, for example, FEV <sub>1</sub> , FVC and FEV <sub>1</sub> /FVC
	Standard respiratory questionnaire to be completed
	Urinary cadmium and B <sub>2</sub> -microglobulin
Creosote	Demographic, medical and occupational history
	Exposure record including photosensitivity
	Health advice including recognition of photosensitivity and skin changes
	Physical examination with emphasis on the neurological system and skin noting any abnormal lesions and evidence of skin sensitisation

### Schedule 6 (continued)

Column 1 Hazardous substance	Column 2 Health surveillance
Crystalline silica	Chest X-ray, full size Pa view
	Demographic, medical and occupational history
	Exposure record
	Health advice
	Standard respiratory function test including, for example, FEV <sub>1</sub> , FVC and FEV <sub>1</sub> /FVC
	Standard respiratory questionnaire to be completed
Inorganic arsenic	Demographic, medical and occupational history
	Exposure record
	Health advice
	Physical examination with emphasis on the peripheral nervous system and skin
	Urinary total arsenic
Inorganic chromium	Demographic, medical and occupational history
	Health advice
	Physical examination with emphasis on the respiratory system and skin
	Weekly skin inspection of hands and forearms by a responsible person
Inorganic mercury	Demographic, medical and occupational history

### Schedule 6 (continued)

Column 1 Hazardous substance	Column 2 Health surveillance
	Health advice
	Physical examination with emphasis on gastrointestinal systems, neurological, renal systems and skin
	Urinary inorganic mercury
Isocyanates	Demographic, medical and occupational history
	Health advice
	Physical examination of respiratory system and skin
	Standard respiratory function tests including, for example, FEV <sub>1</sub> , FVC and FEV <sub>1</sub> /FVC
	Standard respiratory questionnaire to be completed
Organophosphate pesticides	Baseline examination of red cell and plasma cholinesterase activity levels by the Ellman method
	Demographic, medical and occupational history
	Estimate of red cell and plasma cholinesterase activity towards the end of a working day on which organophosphate pesticides have been used
	Health advice
	Physical examination
Pentachlorophenol (PCP)	Demographic, medical and occupational history

Column 1 Hazardous substance	Column 2 Health surveillance
	Dipstick urinalysis for haematuria and proteinuria
	Exposure record
	Health advice
	Physical examination with emphasis on skin noting any abnormal lesions or effects of irritancy
	Urinary total pentachlorophenol
Polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons (PAH)	Exposure including photosensitivity record
	Demographic, medical and occupational history
	Health advice including recognition of photosensitivity and skin changes
	Physical examination if decided by the designated doctor supervising the health surveillance
Thallium	Demographic, medical and occupational history
	Health advice
	Physical examination if decided by the designated doctor supervising the health surveillance
	Urinary thallium
Vinyl chloride	Demographic, medical and occupational history
	Exposure record

Column 1 Hazardous substance Column 2 Health surveillance

Health advice

Physical examination if decided by the designated doctor supervising the health surveillance

## Schedule 7 Prohibited substances, prohibited ACM and prohibited purposes

section 69B

### 1 Amosite, crocidolite, fibrous anthophyllite, tremolite or actinolite

- (1) Amosite, crocidolite, fibrous anthophyllite, tremolite and actinolite are prohibited substances.
- (2) A thing containing amosite, crocidolite, fibrous anthophyllite, tremolite or actinolite is a prohibited ACM.
- (3) The prohibited purpose for the prohibited substances or the prohibited ACM is a purpose other than any of the following—
  - (a) analysis, research or sampling;
  - (b) maintenance;
  - (c) removal or disposal;
  - (d) encapsulation or enclosure.

#### 2 Chrysotile

- (1) Chrysotile is a prohibited substance.
- (2) A thing, other than a product or item exempted under the national model regulations, containing chrysotile is a prohibited ACM.
- (3) The prohibited purpose for chrysotile is a purpose other than—
  - (a) analysis, research or sampling; or
  - (b) removal or disposal.
- (4) The prohibited purpose for the prohibited ACM mentioned in subsection (2) is a purpose other than any of the following—
  - (a) analysis, research or sampling;

- (b) removal or disposal;
- (c) display of an artefact or other thing that is, or forms part of, the prohibited ACM, or work to prepare or maintain the artefact or thing for display;

Examples of an artefact or other thing for paragraph (c)—

- a locomotive, steam engine or vehicle in a museum or historical display
- an artefact that is an ornament
- (d) use of the prohibited ACM in the position where it was installed immediately before 31 December 2003.

#### Examples—

- use brake shoes, containing chrysotile, installed in a car before 31 December 2003
- paint, or cut a hole in, an asbestos-cement wall panel, containing chrysotile, installed before 31 December 2003

#### (5) In this section—

*national model regulations* means NOHSC's document entitled 'National Model Regulations for the Control of Workplace Hazardous Substances [NOHSC:1005]', schedule 2.

#### Schedule 8 Lead hazardous substances

section 117

lead acetate

lead arsenate

lead arsenates

lead arsenites

lead azide

lead chromate

lead cyanide

lead dioxide

lead hexafluorosilicate

lead nitrate

lead perchlorate

lead peroxide

lead phosphate

lead phosphite

lead styphnate

lead sulphate

lead trinitroresorcinate

other lead compounds

# Schedule 8A Principal contractors—particular amenities for construction work

section 189

#### Part 1 Definition for sch 8A

#### 1 Definition

In this schedule—

*construction person* means a relevant person or worker who is performing construction work.

#### Part 2 Toilets

#### 2 Toilets

(1) The principal contractor for construction work must ensure that toilets complying with this part are reasonably available to each construction person.

Examples of toilets that are reasonably available—

- toilets located within the site compound boundary
- toilets located within the boundary of the workplace where the construction work is being performed

Maximum penalty—20 penalty units.

(2) There must be at least 1 toilet for each 15, or part of 15, construction persons.

Examples—

• for 1 to 15 construction persons, there must be at least 1 toilet

- for 20 construction persons, there must be at least 1 toilet for the first 15 construction persons plus at least 1 toilet for the other 5, making a total of at least 2 toilets
- (3) If the workplace includes at least 4 levels of a structure that is a building (not counting ground level), a toilet is, for schedule 9, definition *reasonably available*, paragraph (a), at a location reasonably convenient to each construction person only if there is at least 1 toilet on at least each of the following levels of the building—
  - (a) ground level;
  - (b) the fourth level (not counting ground level);
  - (c) each third level after that fourth level.

#### Example—

For a workplace that includes ground level and levels 1 to 10 of a structure that is a building, there must be at least 1 toilet on ground level, level 4, level 7 and level 10.

(4) Subsection (3) does not limit subsection (2).

#### 3 When toilet must be connected toilet or portable toilet

- (1) If there are less than 15 construction persons, the toilet must be a connected toilet or a portable toilet.<sup>147</sup>
- (2) If there are at least 15 construction persons, each toilet must be—
  - (a) if a sewerage or septic connection is available—a connected toilet; or
  - (b) otherwise—a portable toilet.
- (3) However, if—

<sup>147</sup> For requirements for portable toilets see the *Environmental Protection (Waste Management) Regulation 2000*, section 67 (Prohibition on use of non-complying waste equipment) and the *Environmental Protection (Interim Waste) Regulation 1996*, sections 48 (Requirements for sanitary conveniences, pan cabinets and pans), 53 (Requirements for closets, pan cabinets and pans) and 55 (Requirements for cesspits).

- (a) a portable toilet is made available under subsection (1); and
- (b) a sewerage or septic connection becomes available;

the portable toilet must be replaced by a connected toilet complying with this part within 2 weeks after the first time that there are at least 15 construction persons after the connection becomes available.

- (4) Despite subsection (2)(b), if—
  - (a) a portable toilet is made available under subsection (2)(b); and
  - (b) a sewerage or septic connection becomes available;

the portable toilet must be replaced by a connected toilet complying with this part within 2 weeks after the connection becomes available.

(5) In this section—

#### connected toilet means a toilet that—

- (a) is connected to a sewerage or septic system; or
- (b) is a pump-out holding tank storage type system.

*portable toilet* means a toilet that can be moved, and provides for tanked waste.

#### 4 Privacy, ventilation and toilet paper

- (1) Each toilet must be located—
  - (a) in a position that gives privacy; and
  - (b) in a cubicle, or room, that—
    - (i) is fitted with a door that gives privacy and is lockable from inside the cubicle or room; and
    - (ii) is constantly supplied with fresh air from openings to the outside air or from mechanical ventilation.
- (2) Each toilet made available to a female construction person must—

- (a) have facilities to dispose of sanitary items for females; and
- (b) be separated from urinals so that no urinal can be seen by her.

#### Examples—

- locating a toilet for females in a separate room from urinals
- putting a screen between urinals and a toilet for females
- (3) Each toilet may be a unisex toilet.
- (4) Each toilet must have an adequate supply of toilet paper.

#### Part 3 Other amenities

#### 5 Room, or sheltered area, to eat meals in

(1) The principal contractor for construction work must ensure that a room, or sheltered area, to eat meals and take breaks in is reasonably available to each construction person.

Maximum penalty—20 penalty units.

- (2) The room or sheltered area must—
  - (a) be hygienic and separated from work activity that exposes or is likely to expose a construction person to a health or safety risk; and
  - (b) if there are at least 15 construction persons—
    - (i) have adequate space and seating for the maximum number of construction persons likely to use the room or sheltered area at the one time; and
    - (ii) have appropriate facilities for washing and storing utensils, boiling water, and storing food in a cool place.

#### 6 Hands and face washing facilities

- (1) The principal contractor for construction work must ensure the following facilities are reasonably available to each construction person—
  - (a) adequate clean water for washing the hands and face;
  - (b) an appropriate facility for supplying the water.

Examples of an appropriate facility—

- a hose at a housing construction site
- a water container with a tap at a road construction site
- a washbasin included with a portable toilet or connected toilet at a high rise building construction site

Maximum penalty—20 penalty units.

(2) However, the facilities must not be unisex facilities that are located inside a toilet block, room or cubicle (*toilets*), unless the toilets are unisex toilets.

#### 7 Drinking water

(1) The principal contractor for construction work must ensure that an adequate supply of potable, clean and cool drinking water is reasonably available to each construction person.

Examples of a supply of water that, for schedule 9, definition reasonably available, paragraph (a), is at a location reasonably convenient to the construction person—

- a supply located within 30m of where the construction person is working on a single level building
- a supply located on the ground level and then every second level of a high rise building being built

Maximum penalty—20 penalty units.

(2) The supply of water must not be located in toilets.

Example of toilets—

a toilet block or a cubicle used as a toilet

- (3) If the water is made available in a container, the construction person must be able to drink the water without having to drink directly from the same container as someone else.
- (4) This section does not prevent the supply of water also being made available under section 6 for hands and face washing.

## Schedule 8B Employers—particular amenities for rural industry work

section 218

## Part 1 Toilets for workers and employer

#### 1 Toilets

- (1) An employer must ensure that, to the greatest practicable extent, toilets complying with this section are reasonably available to each work person who is at a workplace and performing work in a rural industry.
  - Maximum penalty—20 penalty units.
- (2) Toilets located within a reasonable distance of the work person, using appropriate transport, are, for schedule 9, definition *reasonably available*, paragraph (a), at a location reasonably convenient to the work person.
- (3) There must be at least 1 toilet for each 15, or part of 15, work persons who are at the workplace and performing work in a rural industry.

#### Examples—

- for 1 to 15 work persons, there must be at least 1 toilet
- for 20 work persons, there must be at least 1 toilet for the first 15 work persons plus at least 1 toilet for the other 5, making a total of at least 2 toilets
- (4) Each toilet made available to a female work person must have facilities to dispose of sanitary items for females.
- (5) Each toilet may be a unisex toilet.
- (6) Each toilet must have an adequate supply of toilet paper.
- (7) In this section—

work person means the employer or a worker of the employer.

#### Part 2 Other amenities for workers

#### 2 Application of pt 2

This part applies if a worker of an employer is performing work in a rural industry at a workplace.

#### 3 Sheltered area to eat meals in

(1) The employer must ensure that a sheltered area to eat meals and take breaks in is reasonably available to the worker.

Examples—

- a caravan
- a tent attached to a vehicle
- a tractor cabin or harvester cabin

Maximum penalty—20 penalty units.

(2) The sheltered area must be separated from work activity that exposes or is likely to expose the worker to a health or safety risk.

#### 4 Hands washing facilities

The employer must ensure the following are reasonably available to the worker—

- (a) adequate clean water, and soap or another suitable cleansing agent, for washing the worker's hands;
- (b) facilities to dry the worker's hands.

Example—

hand towels, paper towels or a mechanical hands dryer

Maximum penalty—20 penalty units.

#### 5 Drinking water

(1) The employer must ensure that an adequate supply of potable, clean drinking water is reasonably available to the worker.

Maximum penalty—20 penalty units.

(2) The supply of water must not be located in toilets.

Example of toilets—

a toilet block or a cubicle used as a toilet

- (3) The water must not be at more than 15°C.
- (4) If the water is made available in a container, the worker must be able to drink the water without having to drink directly from the same container as someone else.
- (5) This section does not prevent the supply of water also being made available under section 4 for hands washing.

#### Schedule 8C

Employers—particular amenities for work that is not construction work or rural industry work

section 219

#### Part 1 Application of sch 8C

#### 1 Application of sch 8C

This schedule applies if a worker of an employer is performing work that is not construction work or work in a rural industry.

#### Part 2

Explanation of applied BCA provisions or applied QDC provisions used for pt 3 or sch 8D

#### 2 Definitions for pt 2

In this part—

applied BCA provision see section 3(4).

applied QDC provision see section 3(4).

**BCA** means the edition of the Building Code of Australia<sup>148</sup> as current on 1 May 2004.

The Building Code of Australia is a publication of the Australian Building Codes Board and the Board has consented to the use of the code. The logo of the Australian Building Codes Board appears at the end of schedule 8E. Also, the web address for the Board is <www.abcb.gov.au>.

**Building Code of Australia** see the *Building Act 1975*, section 12.

**QDC** means the Queensland Development Code as current on 23 August 2002.

**Queensland Development Code** see the Building Act 1975, section 13.

#### 3 Purpose of applied BCA or applied QDC provisions

- (1) The BCA and QDC contain requirements, in relation to the design and construction of buildings, about—
  - (a) amenities that a building must be provided with; and
  - (b) requirements, for example, about ventilation or lighting, for a building.
- (2) Under certain provisions of part 3,<sup>149</sup> the amenity that an employer has a duty to make reasonably available to a worker while the worker is doing certain work is the same, with some modification, as a particular amenity required under the BCA or QDC.
- (3) Under certain provisions of schedule 8D,<sup>150</sup> the requirements for a building that an employer has a duty to ensure are complied with while the worker is doing certain work are the same, with some modification, as particular requirements for a building, under the BCA or QDC.
- (4) For the purpose of stating those duties, BCA or modified BCA provisions (*applied BCA provisions*) or modified QDC provisions (*applied QDC provisions*) are—

<sup>149</sup> Part 3 (If worker is at workplace where employer provides non-class 10 building for workers to occupy). The provisions are section 10 (Toilets, and hands and face washing facilities), 16 (Dining facilities) and 20 (Dressing room facilities) and the example in section 22(1) (Drinking water).

<sup>150</sup> Schedule 8D (Employers—requirements for building provided for worker to occupy when performing work that is not construction work or rural industry work). The provisions are sections 2 (Ventilation), 4 (Lighting) and 5 (Floor area and air space).

- (a) applied under part 3 or schedule 8D; and
- (b) set out in schedule 8E or 8F.<sup>151</sup>

#### 4 Changes to the text of BCA or QDC in modified provision

- (1) In the modified BCA or QDC provisions, changes to the text of the BCA or QDC are in italics and, for this purpose, italics or underlining in the text of the BCA or QDC are not reproduced.
- (2) Each modified BCA or QDC provision with a number keeps the same number as the BCA or QDC provision it modifies.

#### 5 Interpretation of applied BCA or applied QDC provisions

- (1) It is intended that the applied BCA provisions and applied QDC provisions form part of a self-contained scheme all of which is set out in this regulation.
- (2) So, the BCA or QDC must not be referred to for the purpose of interpreting an applied BCA provision or applied QDC provision, and those provisions must be interpreted as if they were ordinary provisions of this regulation.

#### Notes-

- 1 Schedule 8E, part 3, section A1.1<sup>152</sup> contains definitions for applied BCA provisions.
- 2 Schedule 8F, part 2,<sup>153</sup> section headed 'Definitions' contains definitions for applied QDC provisions.
- 3 *Building*, and other particular words relevant to the applied BCA or applied QDC provisions, are defined in schedule 9.
- 4 The Act, and the *Acts Interpretation Act 1954*, also define particular words relevant to the applied BCA or applied QDC provisions.

<sup>151</sup> Schedule 8E (Applied BCA provisions) or 8F (Applied QDC provisions)

<sup>152</sup> Schedule 8E (Applied BCA provisions), part 3 (Further provisions for complying with performance requirements—definitions, classification of buildings and adoption of standards), section A1.1 (Definitions)

<sup>153</sup> Schedule 8F (Applied QDC provisions), part 2 (Other provisions for complying with performance criteria)

- (3) However, the following definitions in schedule 3<sup>154</sup> of the Act do not apply in relation to an applied BCA provision or applied QDC provision—
  - (a) board;
  - (b) lift,
  - (c) occupier;
  - (d) owner;
  - (e) place;
  - (f) plant;
  - (g) vehicle.
- (4) Also, the definition *Authority* in schedule 9<sup>155</sup> does not apply in relation to an applied BCA provision or applied QDC provision.
- (5) In an applied BCA provision or applied QDC provision relating to an amenity, a reference to workers is a reference to the employer's workers to whom the amenity must be available under part 3.

<sup>154</sup> Schedule 3 (Dictionary) of the Act

<sup>155</sup> Schedule 9 (Dictionary)

#### Part 3

If worker is at workplace where employer provides non-class 10 building for workers to occupy

#### Division 1 Application of pt 3

#### 6 Application of pt 3

This part applies if—

- (a) the employer provides a building<sup>156</sup> at a workplace for the worker or any other worker of the employer to occupy when performing work that is not construction work or work in a rural industry; and
- (b) the building is not a class 10 building;<sup>157</sup> and
- (c) the worker is at the workplace, whether or not the worker or other worker is actually occupying the building.

Examples of a building provided for the worker to occupy—

- an office building
- a building that is a walled or partly walled shed and used as a workshop
- a building, at a workplace that includes an outside storage yard, provided for the worker to occupy when not working in the yard

Example of a building not provided for the worker to occupy—

a building that the worker is in temporarily to repair equipment

<sup>156</sup> Building is defined in schedule 9 (Dictionary).

<sup>157</sup> *Class* is defined in schedule 9 (Dictionary).

## Division 2 Toilets, and hands and face washing facilities

## Subdivision 1 If the building is a class 1b building or employer's domestic premises

#### 7 Toilets

(1) If the building provided by the employer is a class 1b building or the employer's domestic premises, the employer must ensure that toilets complying with this section are reasonably available to the worker.

Maximum penalty—20 penalty units.

- (2) Each toilet must be adequate in all the circumstances, including the following—
  - (a) the size and location of the workplace;
  - (b) the number of the employer's workers to whom a toilet must be made available under subsection (1).

#### Example—

the number of the workers may require more than 1 toilet to be made available

- (3) Each toilet must be in a cubicle, or room, that gives privacy.
- (4) If the worker is female, each toilet made available to her must—
  - (a) have facilities to dispose of sanitary items for females; and
  - (b) be separated from urinals so that no urinal can be seen by her.

#### Examples—

- locating a toilet for females in a separate room from urinals
- putting a screen between urinals and a toilet for females
- (5) Each toilet may be a unisex toilet.
- (6) Each toilet must have an adequate supply of toilet paper.

#### 8 Hands and face washing facilities

The employer must ensure the following facilities are reasonably available to the worker—

- (a) adequate clean water, and soap or another suitable cleansing agent, for washing the worker's hands and face:
- (b) facilities to dry the worker's hands.

Example—

hand towels, paper towels or a mechanical hands dryer

Maximum penalty—20 penalty units.

## Subdivision 2 If the building is a particular class of building and not employer's domestic premises

#### 9 Application of subdiv 2

- (1) This subdivision applies if the building provided by the employer is not the employer's domestic premises and is—
  - (a) a class 3, 5, 6 or 9 building that is not part of a school; or
  - (b) a class 7 or 8 building; or
  - (c) a class 9b building that is part of a school.
- (2) In this section—

school see schedule 8E, part 3, section A1.1.158

<sup>158</sup> Schedule 8E (Applied BCA provisions), part 3 (Further provisions for complying with performance requirements—definitions, classification of buildings and adoption of standards), section A1.1 (Definitions)

#### 10 Toilets, and hands and face washing facilities

(1) The employer must ensure that toilets complying with this subdivision are reasonably available to the worker.

Maximum penalty—20 penalty units.

(2) The employer must ensure that hands and face washing facilities complying with this subdivision are reasonably available to the worker.

Maximum penalty—20 penalty units.

#### 11 Performance requirements to be complied with

- (1) Schedule 8E, part 1, division 1<sup>160</sup> sets out the following applied BCA provisions—
  - (a) FP2.1, which is a performance requirement for toilets and hands and face washing facilities; and
  - (b) FP2.5, which is a performance requirement for toilets.
- (2) Part 2<sup>161</sup> explains the purpose and interpretation of, and modification of the BCA for, applied BCA provisions used for this part.
- (3) Toilets must comply with the following performance requirements in the way stated in section 12—
  - (a) FP2.1, in so far as it relates to toilets; and
  - (b) FP2.5.
- (4) Hands and face washing facilities must comply with performance requirement FP2.1, in so far as it relates to those facilities, in the way stated in section 12.

<sup>159</sup> See schedule 9 (Dictionary), definition *reasonably available* and part 23 (Transitional provisions), division 4 (Certain amenities complying, or leased or acquired, immediately before 1 January 2005), section 239 (Toilets).

<sup>160</sup> Schedule 8E (Applied BCA provisions), part 1 (Toilets, and hands and face washing facilities), division 1 (Performance requirements)

Part 2 (Explanation of applied BCA provisions or applied QDC provisions used for pt 3 or sch 8D)

#### 12 How to comply with performance requirements

- (1) This section states the way to comply with the performance requirements.
- (2) The applied BCA provision that is section A0.5 (Meeting the Performance Requirements) in schedule 8E, part 1, division 2,<sup>162</sup> applies to the performance requirements.
- (3) Section A0.5 allows an employer to comply with the performance requirements in different ways.
- (4) However, an employer may use an alternative solution under section A0.5, to comply with part or all of the performance requirements, only if the chief executive has given the employer approval to use the alternative solution in the particular case.
- (5) The following applied BCA provisions, to the extent they are relevant to complying with the way chosen by the employer, must be applied to the performance requirements—
  - (a) the remaining provisions of schedule 8E, part 1, division 2;
  - (b) the provisions in schedule 8E, part 3.163
- (6) However, each toilet, or hands and face washing facility need not be part of a building.

#### 13 Location of toilet

If the toilet is not in the building provided by the employer, the toilet is, for schedule 9, definition *reasonably available*, paragraph (a), at a location reasonably convenient to the worker only if the toilet is—

<sup>162</sup> Schedule 8E (Applied BCA provisions), part 1 (Toilets, and hands and face washing facilities), division 2 (Certain provisions for complying with performance requirements)

<sup>163</sup> Schedule 8E (Applied BCA provisions), part 3 (Further provisions for complying with performance requirements—definitions, classification of buildings and adoption of standards)

(a) within the boundary of the workplace containing the building provided by the employer; and

Example—

a toilet for a worker who is a school teacher must be within the school grounds

(b) not more than 100m from the workplace if the building was built after 31 December 1991.

#### 14 Toilet paper and disposal of female sanitary items

- (1) If the worker is female, each toilet made available to her must have facilities to dispose of sanitary items for females.
- (2) Each toilet must have an adequate supply of toilet paper.

### 15 Hands and face washing facilities to include soap, water and hands drying facilities

Hands and face washing facilities must include—

- (a) adequate clean water, and soap or another suitable cleansing agent, for washing the worker's hands; and
- (b) facilities to dry the worker's hands.

Example—

hand towels, paper towels or a mechanical hands dryer

#### Division 3 Dining facilities

#### 16 Dining facilities

(1) The employer must ensure that dining facilities complying with this division are reasonably available to the worker, including for the purpose of taking breaks.<sup>164</sup>

Maximum penalty—20 penalty units.

See part 23 (Transitional provisions), division 4 (Certain amenities complying, or leased or acquired, immediately before 1 January 2005), section 237 (Lunch room).

(2) However, a dining room or dining area made available for this division is taken not to be reasonably available to the worker while it is being used for a purpose that significantly interferes with the use of the dining room or dining area for dining or taking breaks in.

#### 17 Performance criteria to be complied with

- (1) Schedule 8F, part 1, division 1<sup>165</sup> sets out the following applied QDC provisions—
  - (a) performance criteria for dining facilities;
  - (b) acceptable solutions for the performance criteria.
- (2) Part 2 explains the purpose and interpretation of, and modification of the QDC for, applied QDC provisions used for this part.
- (3) Dining facilities must comply with the performance criteria in the way stated in section 18.

### 18 How to comply with performance criteria mentioned in this part or sch 8D

- (1) This section states how to comply with performance criteria mentioned in this part or schedule 8D, section 4 or 5.166
- (2) The applied QDC provision in schedule 8F, part 2,<sup>167</sup> headed 'Satisfying the performance *criteria*' applies to the performance criteria.
- (3) That provision allows an employer to comply with the performance criteria in different ways.

<sup>165</sup> Schedule 8F (Applied QDC provisions), part 1 (Performance criteria and acceptable solutions), division 1 (Dining facilities)

Schedule 8D (Employers—requirements for building provided for worker to occupy when performing work that is not construction work or rural industry work), section 4 (Lighting) or 5 (Floor area and air space)

<sup>167</sup> Schedule 8F (Applied QDC provisions), part 2 (Other provisions for complying with performance criteria)

- (4) However, an employer may use an alternative solution under that provision, to comply with part or all of the performance criteria, only if the chief executive has given the employer approval to use the alternative solution in the particular case.
- (5) The following applied QDC provisions, to the extent they are relevant to complying with the way chosen by the employer, must be applied to the performance criteria—
  - (a) the acceptable solutions for the performance criteria;
  - (b) the section headed 'Definitions' in schedule 8F, part 2.
- (6) To remove any doubt, it is declared that—
  - (a) an amenity is required, under a performance criteria mentioned in this part, only in the circumstances mentioned in the performance criteria, whether or not the acceptable solutions for the performance criteria mention those circumstances; and
  - (b) a dining room or dining area required under this part must be part of building.
- (7) A dressing room required under this part need not be part of a building.

#### 19 If worker is able to eat in work area

- (1) This section applies if the nature of work performed by the worker allows the worker to eat in the worker's work area.
- (2) Sections 17 and 18 do not apply and dining facilities must consist of the following—
  - (a) a sink with a draining board and reticulated hot and cold water;
  - (b) cupboards for the storage of foodstuffs, free of dust and vermin;
  - (c) a chair or stool with back support;
  - (d) on or after 1 July 2005, a refrigerator of adequate capacity for the number of the employer's workers to whom dining facilities must be available under this section.

#### Division 4 Dressing room facilities

#### 20 Dressing room facilities

The employer must ensure that dressing room facilities complying with this division are reasonably available to the worker. 168

Maximum penalty—20 penalty units.

#### 21 Performance criteria to be complied with

- (1) Schedule 8F, part 1, division 2<sup>169</sup> sets out the following applied QDC provisions—
  - (a) performance criteria for dressing room facilities;
  - (b) acceptable solutions for the performance criteria.
- (2) Part 2 explains the purpose and interpretation of, and modification of the QDC for, applied QDC provisions used for this part.
- (3) Dressing room facilities must comply with the performance criteria in the way stated in section 18.

#### Division 5 Drinking water

#### 22 Drinking water

(1) The employer must ensure that an adequate supply of potable, clean and cool drinking water is reasonably available to the worker.

<sup>168</sup> See part 23 (Transitional provisions), division 4 (Certain amenities complying, or leased or acquired, immediately before 1 January 2005), section 238 (Dressing room).

<sup>169</sup> Schedule 8F (Applied QDC provisions), part 1 (Performance criteria and acceptable solutions), division 2 (Dressing room facilities)

#### Example—

complying, in the way stated in section 18, with the performance criteria for drinking water set out in schedule 8F, part 1, division 3<sup>170</sup>

Maximum penalty—20 penalty units.

(2) The supply of water must not be located in toilets.

Example of toilets—

a toilet block or a cubicle used as a toilet

- (3) If the water is made available in a container, the worker must be able to drink the water without having to drink directly from the same container as someone else.
- (4) This section does not prevent the supply of water also being made available under section 24 for hands and face washing.

#### 23 Performance criteria that may be complied with

- (1) Schedule 8F, part 1, division 3 sets out the following applied QDC provisions—
  - (a) performance criteria for drinking water;
  - (b) acceptable solutions for the performance criteria.
- (2) Part 2 explains the purpose and interpretation of, and modification of the QDC for, applied QDC provisions used for this part.

#### Division 6 Other amenities

#### 24 Hands and face washing facilities

The employer must ensure the following facilities are reasonably available to the worker—

<sup>170</sup> Schedule 8F (Applied QDC provisions), part 1 (Performance criteria and acceptable solutions), division 3 (Drinking water)

- (a) adequate clean water, and soap or another suitable cleansing agent, for washing the worker's hands and face;
- (b) facilities to dry the worker's hands.

Example—

hand towels, paper towels or a mechanical hands dryer

Maximum penalty—20 penalty units.

#### 25 Showers

- (1) This section applies if the worker is performing work likely to expose the worker to a health or safety risk if the worker can not shower at, or before, the end of the worker's shift.
- (2) The employer must ensure a shower is reasonably available to the worker to prevent the risk.

Maximum penalty—20 penalty units.

- (3) The shower may be a unisex shower only if—
  - (a) it is available to not more than 10 of the employer's workers to whom a shower must be available under subsection (2); and
  - (b) it is lockable from inside the shower; and
  - (c) it gives privacy.

#### Part 4

If worker is not at workplace where employer provides non-class 10 building for workers to occupy

#### 26 Application of pt 4

(1) This part applies if the worker is not at a workplace where the employer provides a building for the worker or any other

worker of the employer to occupy when performing work that is not construction work or work in a rural industry.

Note—

See the examples in section 6(c), which are also relevant to section 26(1).

(2) In this section—

**building** does not include a class 10 building.<sup>171</sup>

#### 27 Toilets

(1) The employer must ensure that, to the greatest practicable extent, toilets complying with this section are reasonably available to the worker.

Maximum penalty—20 penalty units.

- (2) Toilets located within a reasonable distance of the worker, using appropriate transport, are, for schedule 9, definition *reasonably available*, paragraph (a), at a location reasonably convenient to the worker.
- (3) There must be at least 1 toilet for each 15, or part of 15, of the employer's workers to whom a toilet must be available under subsection (1).

Examples—

- for 1 to 15 workers, there must be at least 1 toilet
- for 20 workers, there must be at least 1 toilet for the first 15 workers plus at least 1 toilet for the other 5, making a total of at least 2 toilets
- (4) If the worker is female, each toilet made available to her must have facilities to dispose of sanitary items for females.
- (5) Each toilet may be a unisex toilet.
- (6) Each toilet must have an adequate supply of toilet paper.

<sup>171</sup> Building and class are defined in schedule 9 (Dictionary).

#### 28 Sheltered area to eat meals in

(1) The employer must ensure that a sheltered area to eat meals and take breaks in is reasonably available to the worker.

Examples—

- a caravan
- a tent attached to a vehicle

Maximum penalty—20 penalty units.

- (2) A sheltered area located within a reasonable distance of the worker, using appropriate transport, is, for schedule 9, definition *reasonably available*, paragraph (a), at a location reasonably convenient to the worker.
- (3) The sheltered area must be hygienic and separated from work activity that exposes or is likely to expose the worker to a health or safety risk.

#### 29 Drinking water

(1) The employer must ensure that an adequate supply of potable, clean and cool drinking water is reasonably available to the worker.

Maximum penalty—20 penalty units.

(2) The supply of water must not be located in toilets.

Example of toilets—

a toilet block or a cubicle used as a toilet

- (3) If the water is made available in a container, the worker must be able to drink the water without having to drink directly from the same container as someone else.
- (4) This section does not prevent the supply of water also being made available under section 30 for hands washing.

#### 30 Hands washing facilities

The employer must ensure the following facilities are reasonably available to the worker—

- (a) adequate clean water, and soap or another suitable cleansing agent, for washing the worker's hands;
- (b) facilities to dry the worker's hands.

Example—

hand towels, paper towels or a mechanical hands dryer

Maximum penalty—20 penalty units.

#### 31 Showers

- (1) This section applies if the worker is performing work likely to expose the worker to a health or safety risk if the worker can not shower at, or before, the end of the worker's shift.
- (2) The employer must ensure a shower is reasonably available to the worker to prevent the risk.

Maximum penalty—20 penalty units.

- (3) The shower may be a unisex shower only if—
  - (a) it is available to not more than 10 of the employer's workers to whom a shower must be available under subsection (2); and
  - (b) it is lockable from inside the shower; and
  - (c) it gives privacy.

#### Schedule 8D

Employers—requirements for building provided for worker to occupy when performing work that is not construction work or rural industry work

section 221

#### Part 1 Application of sch 8D

#### 1 Application of sch 8D

This schedule applies if—

- (a) a worker is at a workplace and performing work that is not construction work or work in a rural industry; and
- (b) the worker's employer provides a building<sup>172</sup> at the workplace for the worker to occupy when performing work that is not construction work or work in a rural industry.

Note-

See the examples in schedule 8C, section 6(c), which are also relevant to section 1.

#### Part 2 Ventilation

#### 2 Ventilation

(1) Schedule 8E, part 2, division 1<sup>173</sup> sets out the applied BCA provisions that are performance requirements for ventilation.

<sup>172</sup> Building is defined in schedule 9 (Dictionary).

<sup>173</sup> Schedule 8E (Applied BCA provisions), part 2 (Ventilation), division 1 (Performance requirements)

- (2) Schedule 8C, part 2<sup>174</sup> explains the purpose and interpretation of, and modification of the BCA for, applied BCA provisions used for this schedule.
- (3) The employer must ensure that the building—
  - (a) complies with the performance requirements in the way stated in section 3; or
  - (b) is ventilated in a way that provides ventilation at least equivalent to the ventilation required under paragraph (a).

Maximum penalty—20 penalty units.

#### 3 How to comply with performance requirements

- (1) This section states how to comply with the performance requirements.
- (2) The applied BCA provision that is section A0.5 (Meeting the Performance Requirements) in schedule 8E, part 1, division 2,<sup>175</sup> applies to the performance requirements.
- (3) Section A0.5 allows an employer to comply with the performance requirement in different ways.
- (4) However, an employer may use an alternative solution under section A0.5, to comply with part or all of the performance requirements, only if the chief executive has given the employer approval to use the alternative solution in the particular case.
- (5) The following applied BCA provisions, to the extent they are relevant to complying with the way chosen by the employer, must be applied to the performance requirement—

<sup>174</sup> Schedule 8C (Employers—particular amenities for work that is not construction work or rural industry work), part 2 (Explanation of applied BCA provisions or applied QDC provisions used for pt 3 or sch 8D)

<sup>175</sup> Schedule 8E (Applied BCA provisions), part 1 (Toilets, and hands and face washing facilities), division 2 (Certain provisions for complying with performance requirements)

- (a) the remaining provisions of schedule 8E, part 1, division 2; and
- (b) the provisions in schedule 8E, part 3.<sup>176</sup>

#### Part 3 Lighting

#### 4 Lighting

- (1) Schedule 8F, part 1, division 4<sup>177</sup> sets out the following applied QDC provisions—
  - (a) performance criteria for lighting;
  - (b) acceptable solutions for the performance criteria.
- (2) Schedule 8C, part 2 explains the purpose and interpretation of, and modification of the QDC for, applied QDC provisions used for this schedule.
- (3) The employer must ensure that—
  - (a) the building complies with the performance requirement in the way stated in schedule 8C, section 18;<sup>178</sup> or
  - (b) the building is lit by lighting at least equivalent to the lighting required under paragraph (a).

Maximum penalty—20 penalty units.

<sup>176</sup> Schedule 8E (Applied BCA provisions), part 3 (Further provisions for complying with performance requirements—definitions, classification of buildings and adoption of standards)

<sup>177</sup> Schedule 8F (Applied QDC provisions), part 1 (Performance criteria and acceptable solutions), division 4 (Lighting)

<sup>178</sup> Schedule 8C (Employers—particular amenities for work that is not construction work or rural industry work), section 18 (How to comply with performance criteria mentioned in this part or sch 8D)

#### Part 4 Floor area and air space

#### 5 Floor area and air space

- (1) Schedule 8F, part 1, division 5<sup>179</sup> sets out the following applied QDC provisions—
  - (a) performance criteria for floor area and air space;
  - (b) acceptable solutions for the performance criteria.
- (2) Schedule 8C, part 2 explains the purpose and interpretation of, and modification of the QDC for, applied QDC provisions used for this schedule.
- (3) The employer must ensure that the building complies with the performance criteria in the way stated in schedule 8C, section 18.

Maximum penalty—20 penalty units.

<sup>179</sup> Schedule 8F (Applied QDC provisions), part 1 (Performance criteria and acceptable solutions), division 5 (Floor area and air space)

# Schedule 8E Applied BCA provisions

schedule 8C, section 3(4)(b)

# Part 1 Toilets, and hands and face washing facilities

# Division 1 Performance requirements

#### **FP2.1**

- (1) Suitable sanitary facilities for personal hygiene, consisting of toilets, and hands and face washing facilities, that are appropriate to the following, must be made reasonably available—
  - (a) for hands and face washing facilities—the nature of the work the worker is performing;

#### Examples—

- for an office worker—a washbasin
- for a worker performing greasy work in a workshop—a tub
- (b) the number and gender of the workers;
- (c) (omitted)
- (2) In this section—

hands and face washing facilities means an appropriate facility for supplying water for washing the hands and face.

#### **FP2.5**

A sanitary compartment must be constructed with sufficient space or other means to permit an unconscious *worker* to be removed from the compartment.

# Division 2 Certain provisions for complying with performance requirements

Note—

See also part 3 (Further provisions for complying with performance requirements—definitions, classification of buildings and adoption of standards).

## A0.5 Meeting the Performance Requirements

Compliance with the Performance Requirements can only be achieved by—

- (a) complying with the Deemed-to-Satisfy Provisions; or
- (b) formulating an Alternative Solution which—
  - (i) complies with the Performance Requirements; or
  - (ii) is shown to be at least equivalent to the Deemed-to-Satisfy Provisions; or
- (c) a combination of (a) and (b).

# F2.0 Deemed-to-Satisfy Provisions

- (a) Where a Building Solution is proposed to comply with the Deemed-to-Satisfy Provisions, Performance Requirements FP2.1 *and FP2.5* are satisfied by complying with F2.3, *including table F2.3*, *and F2.5*.
- (b) (omitted)

# F2.3 Facilities in Class 3 or 5 to 9 buildings

- (a) Sanitary facilities must be provided for Class 3, 5, 6, 7, 8 and 9 buildings in accordance with Table F2.3.
- (b) (omitted)

Table F2.3 SANITARY FACILITIES IN CLASS 3, 5, 6, 7, 8 AND 9 BUILDINGS

Class of building	User	Maximum Number Served By—					_			
	l		Closet pan(s)		Urinals			Washbasin(s)		
		1	2	Each Extra	1	2	Each Extra	1	2	Each Extra
3, 5, 6 or 9 that is not part of a school	Workers									
	Males	20	40	20	25	50	50	30	60	30
	Females	15	30	15				30	60	30
7 or 8	Workers									
	Males	20	40	20	25	50	50	20	40	20
	Females	15	30	15				20	40	20
(omitted)										
9b that is part of a school	Workers									
	Males	20	40	20	20	45	30	30	60	30
	Females	5	20	15				30	60	30
(omitted)										

#### Notes—

- 1. Workers—a reference in this table, including in these notes, to workers includes a reference to the employer if the employer is at the workplace.
- 2. Urinals—a urinal need not be provided if the number of *male workers* is less than 10.
- 3. Unisex facility—instead of separate facilities for each sex, if not more than 10 persons are *workers*, a unisex facility *comprising 1 closet pan in a cubicle, or room, fitted with a door that gives privacy and is lockable from inside the cubicle or room, and 1 washbasin* may be provided.

- 4. Combined facilities—if the majority of *workers* are of one sex, not more than 2 *workers* of the other sex may share toilet facilities if—
- (a) (omitted)
- (b) the facilities are separated by means of walls, partitions and doors, *lockable from inside the facility*, to afford privacy.
- 5. Use of public facilities—sanitary facilities for *workers* need not be separate from those required for public use in a Class 6 or 9b building *that is not part of* a school or early childhood centre.
- 6. (*omitted*)
- 7. (*omitted*)

## **F2.5** Construction of sanitary compartments

- (a) Other than in an early childhood centre, sanitary compartments must have doors and partitions that separate adjacent compartments and extend—
  - (i) from floor level to the ceiling in the case of a unisex facility *mentioned in table F2.3, note 3*; or
  - (ii) (omitted)
  - (iii) 1.8m above the floor in all other cases.
- (b) The door to a fully enclosed sanitary compartment must—
  - (i) open outwards; or
  - (ii) slide; or
  - (iii) be readily removable from the outside of the sanitary compartment;

unless there is a clear space of at least 1.2m between the closet pan within the sanitary compartment and the nearest part of the doorway.

(omitted)

# F2.6 Interpretation—Urinals and washbasins

- (a) A urinal may be—
  - (i) an individual stall or wall-hung urinal; or
  - (ii) a 600mm length of a continuous urinal trough; or
  - (iii) a closet pan used in place of a urinal.
- (b) A washbasin may be—
  - (i) an individual basin; or
  - (ii) a part of a hand washing trough served by a single water tap.

# Part 2 Ventilation

# Division 1 Performance requirements

#### **FP4.3**

A space in *the* building, used by *the worker*, must be provided with means of ventilation with outdoor air which will maintain adequate air quality.

#### **FP4.4**

If a mechanical air-handling system is installed in the building, the system must control—

- (a) the circulation of objectionable odours; and
- (b) the accumulation of harmful contamination by micro-organisms, pathogens and toxins.

#### **FP4.5**

Contaminated air must be disposed of in a manner which does not unduly create a nuisance or hazard to people in the building or other property.

# Division 2 Certain provisions for complying with performance requirements

Note—

See also part 3 (Further provisions for complying with performance requirements—definitions, classification of buildings and adoption of standards).

#### A0.5 Meeting the Performance Requirements

Compliance with the Performance Requirements can only be achieved by—

- (a) complying with the Deemed-to-Satisfy Provisions; or
- (b) formulating an Alternative Solution which—
  - (i) complies with the Performance Requirements; or
  - (ii) is shown to be at least equivalent to the Deemed-to-Satisfy Provisions; or
- (c) a combination of (a) and (b).

# F4.0 Deemed-to-Satisfy Provisions

- (a) Where a Building Solution is proposed to comply with the Deemed-to-Satisfy Provisions, Performance Requirements FP4.3 to FP4.5 are satisfied by complying with F4.5 to F4.9.
- (b) (omitted)

#### F4.5 Ventilation of rooms

A habitable room, office, shop, factory, workroom, sanitary compartment, bathroom, shower room, laundry and any other room occupied by *the worker* must have—

- (a) natural ventilation complying with F4.6; or
- (b) a mechanical ventilation or air-conditioning system complying with AS 1668.2 and AS/NZS 3666.1. (omitted)

#### F4.6 Natural ventilation

Natural ventilation provided in accordance with F4.5(a) must consist of permanent openings, windows, doors or other devices which can be opened—

- (a) with an aggregate opening or openable size not less than 5% of the floor area of the room required to be ventilated; and
- (b) open to—
  - (i) suitably sized court, or space open to the sky; or
  - (ii) an open verandah, carport, or the like; or
  - (iii) an adjoining room in accordance with F4.7.

# F4.7 Ventilation borrowed from adjoining room

Natural ventilation to a room may come through a window, opening, ventilating door or other device from an adjoining room (including an enclosed verandah) if both rooms are within the same sole-occupancy unit or the enclosed verandah is common property, and—

- (a) in a Class 2 building, a sole-occupancy unit of a Class 3 building or Class 4 part of a building—
  - (i) the room to be ventilated is not a sanitary compartment; and

- (ii) the window, opening, door or other device has a ventilating area of not less than 5% of the floor area of the room to be ventilated; and
- (iii) the adjoining room has a window, opening, door or other device with a ventilating area of not less than 5% of the combined floor areas of both rooms; and
- (b) in a Class 5, 6, 7, 8 or 9 building—
  - (i) the window, opening, door or other device has a ventilating area of not less than 10% of the floor area of the room to be ventilated, measured not more than 3.6 m above the floor; and
  - (ii) the adjoining room has a window, opening, door or other device with a ventilating area of not less than 10% of the combined floor areas of both rooms; and
- (c) the ventilating areas specified in (a) and (b) may be reduced as appropriate if direct natural ventilation is provided from another source.

# F4.8 Restriction on position of water closets and urinals

A room containing a closet pan or urinal must not open directly into—

- (a) a kitchen or pantry; or
- (b) a public dining room or restaurant; or
- (c) a dormitory in a Class 3 building; or
- (d) a room used for public assembly (which is not an early childhood centre, primary school or open spectator stand); or
- (e) a workplace normally occupied by more than one person.

#### F4.9 Airlocks

If a room containing a closet pan or urinal is prohibited under F4.8 from opening directly to another room—

- (a) in a sole-occupancy unit in a Class 2 or 3 building or Class 4 part *of a building*
  - (i) access must be by an airlock, hallway or other room; or
  - (ii) the room containing the closet pan or urinal must be provided with mechanical exhaust ventilation;and
- (b) in a Class 5, 6, 7, 8 or 9 building (which is not an early childhood centre, primary school or open spectator stand)—
  - (i) access must be by an airlock, hallway or other room with a floor area of not less than 1.1m<sup>2</sup> and fitted with self-closing doors at all access doorways; or
  - (ii) the room containing the closet pan or urinal must be provided with mechanical exhaust ventilation and the doorway to the room adequately screened from view.

# Part 3 Further provisions for complying with performance requirements—definitions, classification of buildings and adoption of standards

#### A1.1 Definitions

In an applied BCA provision, unless the contrary intention appears—

(omitted)

**Aged care building** means a Class 9c building for residential accommodation of aged persons who, due to varying degrees of incapacity associated with the ageing process, are provided with personal care services and 24 hour staff assistance to evacuate the building during an emergency.

(omitted)

**Allotment** see the Standard Building Regulation 1993, section 5.

(omitted)

**Alternative Solution** means a Building Solution which complies with the Performance Requirements other than by reason of satisfying the Deemed-to-Satisfy Provisions.

**Assembly building** means a building where people may assemble for—

- (a) civic, theatrical, social, political or religious purposes; or
- (b) educational purposes in a school, early childhood centre, preschool, or the like; or
- (c) entertainment, recreational or sporting purposes; or
- (d) transit purposes.

(omitted)

**Atrium** means a space within a building that connects 2 or more storeys, and—

- (a) is wholly or substantially enclosed at the top by a floor or roof (including a glazed roof structure); and
- (b) includes any adjacent part of the building not separated by an appropriate barrier to fire; but
- (c) does not include a stairwell, rampwell or the space within a shaft.

**Atrium well** means a space in an atrium bounded by the perimeter of the openings in the floors or by the perimeter of the floors and the external walls.

(omitted)

**Building Solution** means a solution which complies with the Performance Requirements and is—

- (a) an Alternative Solution; or
- (b) a solution which complies with the Deemed-to-Satisfy Provisions; or
- (c) a combination of (a) and (b).

**Carpark** means a building that is used for the parking of motor vehicles but is neither a private garage nor used for the servicing of vehicles, other than washing, cleaning or polishing.

(omitted)

**Common wall** means a wall that is common to adjoining buildings.

(omitted)

**Deemed-to-Satisfy Provisions** means provisions which are deemed to satisfy the Performance Requirements.

(omitted)

**Detention centre** means a building in which persons are securely detained by means of the built structure including a prison, remand centre, juvenile detention centre, holding cells or psychiatric detention centre.

**Early childhood centre** means a kindergarten or child-minding centre.

(omitted)

**Equivalent** means equivalent to the level of health *and* safety (words omitted) provided by the Deemed-to-Satisfy Provisions.

(omitted)

**External wall** means an outer wall of a building which is not a common wall.

(omitted)

#### Floor area means—

(omitted)

(c) in relation to a room—the area of the room measured within the finished surfaces of the walls, and includes the area occupied by any cupboard or other built-in furniture, fixture or fitting; and

(omitted)

**Habitable room** means a room used for normal domestic activities, and—

- (a) includes a bedroom, living room, lounge room, music room, television room, kitchen, dining room, sewing room, study, playroom, family room and sunroom; but
- (b) excludes a bathroom, laundry, water closet, pantry, walk-in wardrobe, corridor, hallway, lobby, photographic darkroom, clothes-drying room, and other spaces of a specialised nature occupied neither frequently nor for extended periods.

**Health-care building** means a building whose occupants or patients undergoing medical treatment generally need physical assistance to evacuate the building during an emergency and includes—

- (a) a public or private hospital; and
- (b) a nursing home or similar facility for sick or disabled persons needing full-time care; *and*
- (c) a clinic, day surgery or procedure unit where the effects of the predominant treatment administered involve patients becoming non-ambulatory and requiring supervised medical care on the premises for some time after the treatment.

(omitted)

Mezzanine means an intermediate floor within a room.

(omitted)

Other property means all or any of the following—

- (a) any building on the same or an adjoining allotment; and
- (b) any adjoining allotment; and
- (c) a road.

Outdoor air means air outside the building.

(omitted)

*Owner* see the Building Act 1975, section 3(1).

(omitted)

**Performance Requirement** means a requirement which states the level of performance which a Building Solution must meet.

**Personal care services** means any of the following—

- (a) The provision of nursing care.
- (b) Assistance or supervision in—
  - (i) bathing, showering or personal hygiene; or
  - (ii) toileting or continence management; or
  - (iii) dressing or undressing; or
  - (iv) consuming food.
- (c) The provision of direct physical assistance to a person with mobility problems.
- (d) The management of medication.
- (e) The provision of substantial rehabilitation or development assistance.

(omitted)

# Private garage means—

- (a) any garage associated with a Class 1 building; or
- (b) any single storey of a building of another Class capable of accommodating not more than 3 vehicles, if there is only one such storey in the building; or

(c) any separate single storey garage associated with another building where such garage is capable of accommodating not more than 3 vehicles.

(omitted)

**Required** means required to satisfy a performance requirement or a Deemed-to-Satisfy Provision of the BCA as appropriate.

(omitted)

**Road** see the Standard Building Regulation 1993, section 5.

(omitted)

**Sanitary compartment** means a room or space containing a closet pan or urinal.

(omitted)

**School** includes a primary or secondary school, college, university or similar educational establishment.

**Self-closing**, applied to a door, means equipped with a device which returns the door to the fully closed position immediately after each opening.

**Service station** means a garage which is not a private garage and is for the servicing of vehicles, other than only washing, cleaning or polishing.

**Shaft** means the walls and other parts of a building bounding—

- (a) a well, other than an atrium well; or
- (b) a vertical chute, duct or similar passage, but not a chimney or flue.

(omitted)

**Sole-occupancy unit** means a room or other part of a building for occupation by one or joint owner, lessee, tenant, or other occupier to the exclusion of any other owner, lessee, tenant, or other occupier and includes—

(a) a dwelling; and

- (b) a room or suite of rooms in a Class 3 building which includes sleeping facilities; *and*
- (c) a room or suite of associated rooms in a Class 5, 6, 7, 8 or 9 building; *and*
- (d) a room or suite of associated rooms in a Class 9c aged care building, which includes sleeping facilities and any area for the exclusive use of a resident.

#### (omitted)

**Storey** means a space within a building which is situated between one floor level and the floor level next above, or if there is no floor above, the ceiling or roof above, but not—

- (a) a space that contains only—
  - (i) a lift shaft, stairway or meter room; or
  - (ii) a bathroom, shower room, laundry, water closet, or other sanitary compartment; or
  - (iii) accommodation intended for not more than 3 vehicles; or
  - (iv) a combination of the above; or
- (b) a mezzanine.

#### (omitted)

**Swimming pool** means any excavation or structure containing water and used primarily for swimming, wading, paddling, or the like, including a bathing or wading pool, or spa.

#### (omitted)

**Window** includes a roof light, glass panel, glass block or brick, glass louvre, glazed sash, glazed door, or other device which transmits natural light directly from outside a building to the room concerned when in the closed position.

# A1.2 Adoption of standards and other reference

Where a Deemed-to-Satisfy Provision adopts a Standard, rule, specification or provision included in any document issued by

Standards Australia or other body, that adoption does not include a provision—

- (a) specifying or defining the respective rights, responsibilities or obligations as between themselves or any manufacturer, supplier or purchaser; or
- (b) specifying the responsibilities of any trades person or other building operative, architect, engineer, authority, or other person or body; or
- (c) requiring the submission for approval of any material, building component, form or method of construction, to any person, authority or body other than a person or body empowered under State or Territory legislation to give that approval; or
- (d) specifying that a material, building component, form or method of construction must be submitted to Standards Australia or a committee of Standards Australia for expression of opinion; or
- (e) permitting a departure from the code, rule, specification or provision at the sole discretion of the manufacturer or purchaser, or by arrangement or agreement between the manufacturer and purchaser.

# A1.3 Referenced Standards, etc

- (a) A reference in a Deemed-to-Satisfy Provision to a document under A1.2 refers to the edition or issue, together with any amendment, listed in Specification A1.3 and only so much as is relevant in the context in which the document is quoted.
- (b) Any—
  - (i) reference in a document listed in Specification A1.3 (primary document) to another document (secondary document); and
  - (ii) subsequent references to other documents in secondary documents and those other documents;

is a reference to the secondary and other documents as they existed at the time of publication of the primary document listed in Specification A1.3.

# A1.4 Differences between referenced documents and applied BCA provisions

An *applied BCA provision* overrules in any difference arising between it and any Standard, rule, specification or provision in a document listed in Specification A1.3.

SPECIFICATION DOCUMENTS ADOPTED BY A1.3 REFERENCE

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#### Schedule of referenced documents

(omitted)

Table 1: SCHEDULE OF REFERENCED DOCUMENTS

(omitted)	No.	Date	Title	BCA Clause(s)
	AS 1668		The use of mechanical ventilation and airconditioning in buildings	
	Part 2	1991	Mechanical ventilation for acceptable indoor-air quality	
	(omitted)			

	No.	Date	Title	BCA Clause(s)	
	AS/NZS 3666		Air-handling and water systems of buildings—Microbial control		
Amdt No. 11	Part 1	2002	Design, installation and commissioning	(omitted) F4.5	
(omitted)					

#### A3.2 Classifications

Buildings are classified as follows—

Class 1—one or more buildings which in association constitute—

- (a) Class 1a—a single dwelling being—
  - (i) a detached house; or
  - (ii) one or more attached dwellings, each being a building, separated by a *wall that is fire resistant*, including a row house, terrace house, town house or villa unit; or
- (b) Class 1b—a boarding house, guest house, hostel or the like with a total floor area not exceeding 300 m<sup>2</sup> and in which not more than 12 persons would ordinarily be resident;

which is not located above or below another dwelling or another Class of building other than a private garage.

Class 2—a building containing 2 or more sole-occupancy units each being a separate dwelling.

Class 3—a residential building, other than a building of Class 1 or 2, which is a common place of long term or transient living for a number of unrelated persons, including—

- (a) a boarding-house, guest house, hostel, lodging-house or backpackers accommodation; or
- (b) a residential part of a hotel or motel; or
- (c) a residential part of a school; or
- (d) accommodation for the aged, children or people with disabilities; or
- (e) a residential part of a health-care building which accommodates members of staff; or
- (f) a residential part of a detention centre.

Class 4—a dwelling in a building that is Class 5, 6, 7, 8 or 9 if it is the only dwelling in the building.

Class 5—an office building used for professional or commercial purposes, excluding buildings of Class 6, 7, 8 or 9.

Class 6—a shop or other building for the sale of goods by retail or the supply of services direct to the public, including—

- (a) an eating room, cafe, restaurant, milk or soft-drink bar; or
- (b) a dining room, bar, shop or kiosk part of a hotel or motel; or
- (c) a hairdresser's or barber's shop, public laundry, or undertaker's establishment; or
- (d) market or sale room, showroom, or service station.

Class 7—a building which is—

- (a) Class 7a—a carpark; or
- (b) Class 7b—for storage, or display of goods or produce for sale by wholesale.

Class 8—a laboratory, or a building in which a handicraft or process for the production, assembling, altering, repairing, packing, finishing, or cleaning of goods or produce is carried on for trade, sale, or gain.

#### Class 9

(words omitted) Class 9—

a building of a public nature—

- (a) **Class 9a**—a health-care building, including those parts of the building set aside as a laboratory; or
- (b) Class 9b—an assembly building, including a trade workshop, laboratory or the like in a primary or secondary school, but excluding any other parts of the building that are of another Class; or
- (c) Class 9c—an aged care building.

Class 10—a non-habitable building or structure—

- (a) Class 10a—a non-habitable building being a private garage, carport, shed, or the like; or
- (b) Class 10b—a structure being a fence, mast, antenna, retaining or free-standing wall, swimming pool, or the like.

# A3.3 Multiple classification

Each part of a building must be classified separately, and—

- (a) (i)where parts have different purposes—if not more than 10% of the floor area of a storey, being the minor use, is used for a purpose which is a different classification, the classification applying to the major use may apply to the whole storey; and
  - (ii) the provisions of (i) do not apply when the minor use is a laboratory or Class 2, 3 or 4 part of a building; and
- (b) Classes 1a, 1b, 7a, 7b, 9a, 9b, 9c, 10a and 10b are separate classifications; and
- (c) a reference to—
  - (i) Class 1—is to Class 1a and 1b; and
  - (ii) Class 7—is to Class 7a and 7b; and

- (iii) Class 9—is to Class 9a, 9b and 9c; and
- (iv) Class 10—is to Class 10a and 10b; and
- (d) A plant room, machinery room, lift motor room, boiler room or the like must have the same classification as the part of the building in which it is situated.

#### A3.4 Parts with more than one classification

- (a) Notwithstanding A3.3, a building or part of a building may have more than one classification applying to the whole building or to the whole of that part of the building.
- (b) If a building or part of a building has more than one classification applying to the whole building or part in accordance with (a), that building or part must comply with all the relevant provisions of the *applied BCA provisions* for each classification.

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# Schedule 8F Applied QDC provisions

schedule 8C, section 3(4)(b)

# Part 1 Performance criteria and acceptable solutions

# Division 1 Dining facilities

# PERFORMANCE CRITERIA

#### **ACCEPTABLE SOLUTIONS**

#### **Dining Facilities**

P6 Where the nature of work A6 (a) A performed does not allow the worker to eat in the worker's work area, suitable dining facilities must be made reasonably available in safe and hygienic conditions. (i)

- (a) A dining room is *made* reasonably available, except where there are five or less workers, a dining area may be made reasonably available; or
- (b) for shops situated in a shopping complex—
  - (i) one dining room is used to satisfy the requirements of all the shops in the complex; and
  - (ii) the dining room area is based on the total *persons*, to whom a dining room must be available under performance requirement P6, of all the shops in the complex.

# PERFORMANCE CRITERIA

- **P7** A dining room or dining A7 area must provide adequate facilities for eating, washing and cleaning of utensils. food storage of and utensils.
  - Stored food and utensils must be kept free from contamination by dust and vermin.
- P8 Dining rooms must be of an adequate area to provide a safe and comfortable environment, appropriate to the number of *workers* using it at any one time.

## **ACCEPTABLE SOLUTIONS**

- A dining room *or dining area* has the following facilities—
- (a) a sink with a draining board and reticulated hot and cold water; and
- (b) cupboards for the storage of foodstuffs, free of dust and vermin; and
- (c) tables providing 600mm table length per worker and a chair or stool with back support; and
- (d) on or after 1 July 2005, a refrigerator of adequate capacity for the number of workers.
- Dining rooms must be of **A8** (a) The minimum floor area of a an adequate area to dining room is—
  - (i) for 6-12 workers—11m<sup>2</sup>; and
  - (ii) for additional *workers* up to 25—an additional 0.92m<sup>2</sup> for each *worker*; and
  - (iii) for additional workers thereafter—an additional 0.75m<sup>2</sup> for each worker.

# Division 2 Dressing room facilities

# PERFORMANCE CRITERIA

#### **Dressing Room Facilities**

P9 (words omitted) Where **A9** the nature of work requires the worker to change in and out of apparel, dressing rooms of adequate area. containing sufficient facilities and that provide adequate privacy must be made reasonably available.

#### **ACCEPTABLE SOLUTIONS**

- (a) The minimum unencumbered floor area of a dressing room is  $1.8\text{m}^2$  per *worker*; and
- (b) an additional unencumbered area is provided in the dressing room, dependant on the occupation of each worker as follows—
  - (i) For sedentary or semi-sedentary occupations—0.37m<sup>2</sup> per worker:
  - (ii) For light to medium and clean occupations—0.46m<sup>2</sup> per *worker*;
  - (iii) For heavy, hot or dirty occupations—0.65m<sup>2</sup> per *worker*; and
- (c) on or after 1 July 2005, the dressing room is provided with lockers that are not less than 300mm wide and 450mm deep and 900mm in height; and
- (d) passage widths between facing lockers are—
  - (i) at least 1500mm; or
  - (ii) with lockers on one side only—at least 900mm; and
- (e) a dressing room is provided for each sex; and
- (f) dressing rooms are set apart from workrooms (words omitted); and
- (g) (omitted)

# PERFORMANCE CRITERIA

## **ACCEPTABLE SOLUTIONS**

- (h) for fifteen or less *workers*, all of the same sex, a dining room may be combined with a dressing room; and
- (i) where a dressing room is combined with a dining room—
  - (i) the area complies with A7, A8 and A9; and
  - (ii) the dining room is provided with—
    - (A) on or after 1 July 2005, a locker for each worker; and
    - (B) on or after 1 July 2005, protective hanging space for clothing; and
    - (C) omitted
    - (D) on or after 1 July 2005, mirrors and shelving; and
    - (E) (omitted)

# Division 3 Drinking water

# PERFORMANCE CRITERIA

#### **ACCEPTABLE SOLUTIONS**

#### **Drinking water**

P10 An adequate supply of A10 (a) Drinking clean, cool and potable drinking water must be made reasonably omitted); a available.

Drinking water is made reasonably available in all of the worker's work situations (words omitted); and

#### (omitted)

- (d) where there are more than 10 workers, drinking fountains are provided in the following numbers—
  - (i) 11 to 40 *workers*—1 drinking fountain; and
  - (ii) for each additional 40 workers (or part thereof)—1 additional drinking fountain.

#### Division 4 Lighting

#### **PERFORMANCE** CRITERIA

#### **ACCEPTABLE SOLUTIONS**

#### Lighting

- P4 Adequate lighting from A4 Lighting complies with AS 1680.<sup>a</sup> natural and/or artificial sources must be provided to ensure healthy (words working omitted) conditions for the worker, appropriate to—
  - (a) the nature of the work; and
  - (b) the location of the work: and
  - (c) the times at which the work is performed.

AS 1680 (Interior lighting) a

#### Division 5 Floor area and air space

## **PERFORMANCE** CRITERIA

#### **ACCEPTABLE SOLUTIONS**

#### **Work Areas**

**P5** Adequate work areas and A5 A air space must be made reasonably available to allow suitable standards of health and safety for the worker.

workplace has a minimum unencumbered floor area of 2.3m<sup>2</sup> for each worker.

# Part 2 Other provisions for complying with performance criteria

## Satisfying the performance criteria

(words omitted)

Compliance with the performance criteria can only be achieved by—

- (a) complying with the acceptable solutions; or
- (b) formulating an alternative solution that satisfies the performance criteria or is shown to be at least equivalent to the acceptable solutions; or
- (c) a combination of (a) and (b).

(omitted)

#### **Definitions**

(omitted)

**Dining area**—a sheltered area where workers may have lunch or take other breaks.

**Dining room**—a room or sheltered place where workers may have lunch or take other breaks.

**Dressing room**—a room used for changing clothes.

**Floor area**—excludes the area of any item positioned on the floor.

(omitted)

**Heavy, hot** *or* **dirty occupations**—*work* in foundries, steel fabrication, sand blasting, spray painting and the like.

(omitted)

**Light to medium and clean occupations**—*work* in offices, retail stores, and the like.

(omitted)

**Sedentary occupations**—work requiring a sitting position.

**Semi-sedentary occupations**—work requiring a sitting or standing position eg retail store workers.

(omitted)

**Unencumbered**—clear circulation space with no fixtures or fittings intruding within the space.

(omitted).

**Workrooms**—means any part of a workplace contained in a building partitioned off by any means or set aside in which a worker is required to work.

# Schedule 9 Dictionary

section 3

**ACM** means asbestos containing material.

ADAS diving certificate means an occupational diver certificate of competency or a commercial diver certificate that, on its face, is issued under the Australian Diver Accreditation Scheme associated with the *Petroleum (Submerged Lands) Act 1967* (Cwlth).

#### address of a workplace means—

- (a) a street or similar address; or
- (b) another description of the location of the workplace enabling the location to be identified.

*ADG Code* means the Australian Code for the Transport of Dangerous Goods by Road and Rail. 180

# advanced boiler operator means a person who—

- (a) performs the work of an intermediate boiler operator; and
- (b) operates a boiler with multiple fuel types that may be fired simultaneously during normal operation (other than boilers changing fuel types during the start sequence).

# advanced rigger means a person who performs—

- (a) the work of an intermediate rigger; and
- (b) rigging work associated with—
  - (i) gin poles and shearlegs; or
  - (ii) flying foxes and cable ways; or
  - (iii) guyed derricks and structures; or
  - (iv) suspended scaffolds and fabricated hung scaffolds.

<sup>180</sup> The ADG Code is prepared by the Australian Transport Safety Bureau of the Commonwealth Department of Transport and Regional Services.

advanced scaffolder means a person who performs—

- (a) the work of an intermediate scaffolder; and
- (b) scaffolding work associated with—
  - (i) hung scaffolds, including scaffolds hanging from tubes, wire ropes and chains; or
  - (ii) suspended scaffolds.

agreement, for part 23, division 4, see section 235.

an 8 hour equivalent continuous A-weighted sound pressure level of 85dB(A) means the actual energy of varying noise levels experienced over a period that is equivalent to an 8 hour continuous steady A-weighted sound pressure level of 85dB(A).

anchorage point, for part 17, see section 155.

applied BCA provision see schedule 8C, section 2.

applied QDC provision see schedule 8C, section 2.

# approved criteria means—

- (a) until the end of 30 April 2001—the criteria stated in NOHSC's document entitled 'Approved Criteria for Classifying Hazardous Substances [NOHSC:1008 (1994)]'; and
- (b) from 1 May 2001—the criteria stated in NOHSC's document entitled 'Approved Criteria for Classifying Hazardous Substances [NOHSC:1008 (1999)]'.

asbestos management code, for part 11, see section 69A.

asbestos removal code, for part 11, see section 69A.

asbestos removalist, for part 11, see section 69A.

**AS/NZS** means a standard published jointly by Standards Australia and Standards New Zealand.

*atmospheric monitoring* means determining the concentration of lead in the atmosphere.

Australian Qualifications Framework has the same meaning as AQF has under the Vocational Education, Training and Employment Act 2000, schedule 3.

**Authority** see the Building and Construction Industry (Portable Long Service Leave) Act 1991.

**A-weighted** means a standardised frequency response (in dB(A)) used in sound measuring instruments and corresponding approximately to the human ear response.

barricade, for part 17, see section 155.

**barricade** means a self-supporting fence, or a self-supporting series of continuous plastic, concrete or other solid barriers, usually temporary, erected or placed to restrict the entry of persons to a workplace.

#### Examples of fences—

- steel pickets joined by chain wire of appropriate height to restrict entry
- steel pickets joined by rows of wire at appropriate heights to restrict entry
- steel pickets joined by taut plastic webbing commonly known as para-webbing

basic boiler operator means a person who operates a boiler with—

- (a) a single fixed combustion air supply; and
- (b) a nonmodulating single heat source; and
- (c) a fixed firing rate.

basic rigger means a person who performs—

- (a) the work of a dogger; and
- (b) rigging work associated with—
  - (i) the movement of plant and equipment; or
  - (ii) the placement of precast concrete; or
  - (iii) hoists other than hoists with jibs and self-climbing hoists; or
  - (iv) steel erection; or

- (v) safety nets and static lines; or
- (vi) mast climbers; or
- (vii) perimeter safety screens and shutters; or
- (viii) cantilevered crane loading platforms.

basic scaffolder means a person who performs scaffolding work associated with—

- (a) prefabricated scaffolds; or
- (b) cantilevered materials hoists with a maximum working load of 500kg; or
- (c) ropes; or
- (d) gin wheels; or
- (e) safety nets and static lines; or
- (f) bracket scaffolds.

**BCA** see schedule 8C, section 2.

# biological monitoring means—

- (a) for a hazardous substance—testing for the presence of a hazardous substance, its metabolites or a biochemical change in a person's body tissue, exhaled air or fluid; or
- (b) for lead—
  - (i) testing for the presence of lead in a person's tissue or fluid; or
  - (ii) testing for a biochemical change in a person's tissue or fluid.

**blood lead level** means the concentration of lead in capillary or venous whole blood.

#### boiler—

- (a) means a vessel or arrangement of vessels and interconnecting parts in which—
  - (i) steam or other vapour is generated; or
  - (ii) water or other liquid is heated at a pressure above that of the atmosphere;

by the application of fire, the products of combustion, electrical power, or similar high temperature means; and

- (b) includes superheaters, reheaters, economisers, boiler piping, supports, mountings, valves, gauges, fittings, controls, the boiler setting and directly associated equipment; and
- (c) does not include a fully flooded or pressurised system where water or other liquid is heated to a temperature lower than the normal atmospheric boiling temperature of the liquid.

**boom-type elevating work platform** means a telescoping, hinged or articulated device, or a combination of 2 or more devices of those types, used to support a lifting platform.

**bottom** mix means a gas mix that can be breathed at the deepest point of the dive.

**bottom time** means the time between a diver leaving the surface at the start of a dive and starting the final ascent.

bridge crane means a crane comprising a bridge beam, mounted at each end to an end carriage, capable of travelling along elevated runways and having 1 or more hoisting mechanisms arranged to traverse across the bridge beam.

*building*, for part 21A, part 23, division 4 and schedules 8C, 8D, 8E or 8F, see the *Building Act 1975*, schedule.<sup>181</sup>

## building and construction industry means—

(a) that part of industry involved in the construction, erection, installation, addition to, alteration, repair, maintenance, cleaning, painting, renewal, removal, dismantling or demolition of a building or other structure; or

#### building—

<sup>181</sup> Building Act 1975, schedule 2 (Dictionary)—

<sup>1</sup> A *building* is a fixed structure that is wholly or partly enclosed by walls and is roofed.

<sup>2</sup> The term includes a floating building and any part of a building.

- (b) the digging or filling of a structure; or
- (c) concreting, bricklaying or tiling; or
- (d) any part of industry involved in activities normally regarded as building or construction.

building and construction work see the Building and Construction Industry (Portable Long Service Leave) Act 1991.

Building Code of Australia see schedule 8C, section 2.

building maintenance unit means a power operated suspended platform, and associated equipment on a building, designed to provide permanent access to the faces of the building for maintenance.

caisson, for part 17, see section 155.

catch platform, for part 17, see section 155.

certificate of medical fitness to dive means a certificate that—

- (a) on its face is issued by a doctor who has satisfactorily completed training in diving medicine approved by the Board of Censors of the South Pacific Underwater Medicine Society;<sup>182</sup> and
- (b) contains the information required under section 79.

*chemical name* of a hazardous substance or lead means its scientific or technical name.

civil construction work, for part 17, see section 155.

*class*, in relation to a building, means the class of the building under schedule 8E, part 3, sections A3.2, A3.3 and A3.4.

cofferdam, for part 17, see section 155.

common plant, for part 17, see section 155.

community services industry means an industry involved in any of the following—

<sup>182</sup> The society's address is c/- Australian and New Zealand College of Anaesthetists, 630 St Kilda Road, Melbourne 3004.

- (a) health or welfare services;
- (b) education services;
- (c) library services;
- (d) scientific research services;
- (e) meteorological services;
- (f) employment services;
- (g) prison services;
- (h) operating a museum;
- (i) nonprofit organisations that promote community or sectional aims.

#### competency standard see section 19.

#### competent person—

- (a) for construction diving work, see section 81; or
- (b) for underwater diving work other than construction diving work or conducting recreational diving or recreational technical diving, see section 82; or
- (c) for performing an inspection or other task for a control measure, means a person who has acquired, through training, qualifications or experience, the knowledge and skills to do the task in a safe way, including knowledge of—
  - (i) relevant Australian Standards; and
  - (ii) relevant codes of practice; and
  - (iii) other relevant legislation; or
- (d) for work in relation to a trench, see section 207; or
- (e) for inspecting a mobile crane or tower crane, see section 39H.

confined space means an enclosed or partially enclosed space
that—

(a) is at atmospheric pressure when anyone is in the space; and

- (b) is not intended or designed primarily as a workplace; and
- (c) could have restricted entry to, or exit from, the place; and
- (d) is, or is likely to be, entered by a person to work; and
- (e) at any time, contains, or is likely to contain, any of the following—
  - (i) an atmosphere that has potentially harmful levels of a contaminant;
  - (ii) an atmosphere that does not have a safe oxygen level;
  - (iii) anything that could cause engulfment.

### Examples of a confined space—

- storage tanks, tank cars, process vessels, pressure vessels, boilers, silos and other tank-like compartments
- 2 pits and degreasers
- 3 pipes, sewers, sewer pump stations including wet or dry wells, shafts and ducts
- 4 shipboard spaces entered through small hatchways or access points, cargo tanks, cellular double bottom tanks, duct keels, ballast or oil tanks and void spaces

*confirmed blood lead level* means the concentration of lead in venous whole blood.

construction diving work, for part 12, see section 77.

*construction person*, for schedule 8A, see schedule 8A, section 1.

construction safety plan, for part 17, see section 155.

## consumer package means—

- (a) a single packaged item, holding less than 30kg or 30L, intended for retail sale; or
- (b) a package containing only identical packaged items mentioned in paragraph (a).

container means a thing (other than a bulk container, or tank, defined in the ADG Code) in which a hazardous substance or lead is, or has been, completely or partly cased, contained, covered, enclosed or packed, but does not include an enclosed system.

*contaminant* means anything that may be harmful to health and safety.

*control measure* means a measure to prevent, or minimise the level of, exposure to a risk.

corresponding law means a law of the Commonwealth or another State about workplace health and safety.

cost of building and construction work see the Building and Construction Industry (Portable Long Service Leave) Act 1991, section 73(1) and (2).

*crane* means a machine for raising or lowering a load and moving it horizontally, including any supporting structure or foundation, but does not include—

- (a) an industrial lift truck, specified amusement device, tractor, industrial robot, conveyor, building maintenance unit, suspended scaffold or lift; 183 or
- (b) a backhoe, excavator, front-end loader, drag line, or other machine primarily designed for earthmoving purposes.

**C-weighted** means a standardised frequency response (in dB(C)) used in sound measuring instruments and corresponding approximately to the human ear response.

*dangerous goods* has the meaning given by the ADG Code.

**dB**(A) means A-weighted decibels.

*dB(C)* means C-weighted decibels.

**decompression diving** means diving that requires a diver to take a planned stop during the final ascent to decompress.

<sup>183</sup> *Lift* is defined in schedule 2 of the Act.

### designated doctor means a doctor—

- (a) who is registered as a specialist registrant in the specialty of occupational medicine under the *Medical Practitioners Registration Act 2001*; or
- (b) who has satisfactorily completed a health surveillance training program supplied by the chief executive.

## designated hazardous substance means—

- (a) until the end of 30 April 2001—a substance, listed as a designated hazardous substance in NOHSC's document entitled 'List of Designated Hazardous Substances [NOHSC:10005 (1994)]'; and
- (b) from 1 May 2001—a substance, listed as a designated hazardous substance in NOHSC's document entitled 'List of Designated Hazardous Substances [NOHSC:10005 (1999)]'.

design verification statement see section 39C(a).

dive supervisor, for part 12, division 3, see section 86AN.

*dive time* means the time between a diver leaving the surface at the start of a dive and surfacing at the end of the dive.

## dogger means a person who—

- (a) uses techniques, including the selection or inspection of lifting gear, to safely sling a load; or
- (b) directs a crane or hoist operator in the movement of a load when the load is out of the operator's view.

*domestic duplex* means 2 single domestic dwellings with a common internal wall.

*domestic house* means a house that is a separate single domestic dwelling.

*EANx* means a mixture of oxygen and nitrogen in which the volume of oxygen in the mixture is at least 22%.

edge protection, for part 17, see section 155.

*electricity, gas and water industry* means that part of industry involved in any of the following—

- (a) the generation, transmission or distribution of electricity;
- (b) the manufacture of town gas from coal or petroleum or coal and petroleum;
- (c) the distribution of town gas, natural gas or liquefied gas through a mains reticulation system;
- (d) the storage, purification or supply of water;
- (e) the operation of sewerage or stormwater drainage systems, including sewage treatment plants.

*enclosed system* includes a pipe or piping system and a process or reactor vessel.

*engineer*, in relation to the performance of a task, means a person who—

- (a) is a registered professional engineer under the *Professional Engineers Act 2002*; and
- (b) is competent to perform the task.

engineering principles see section 39B.

excavation, for part 17, see section 155.

excavation work, for part 17, see section 155.

excessive noise see section 68.

exempt tractor, for part 16, see section 146.

## exposed—

- (a) for a hazardous substance—see section 87; or
- (b) for lead—see section 116; or
- (c) for an electrical installation—see section 156(2).

fall-arrest harness system, for part 17, see section 155.

fall arresting platform, for part 17, see section 155.

fall protection cover, for part 17, see section 155.

*financial, property and business services industry* means an industry involved in any of the following—

- (a) providing financial services;
- (b) investing in predominantly financial securities, including, for example, mortgages, patents and copyrights;
- (c) providing insurance services;
- (d) managing or valuing real estate, other than agricultural or pastoral properties;
- (e) selling, leasing or developing real estate;
- (f) providing architectural, surveying, legal, accountancy, or other professional services;
- (g) advertising, market research, management consultancy, data processing or other office services;
- (h) credit assessing or reporting;
- (i) cleaning, pest control or caretaking services;
- (j) security services;
- (k) packing of goods (other than agricultural produce, food, beverages and tobacco) or crating or packing goods for transport;
- (l) leasing or hiring machinery, plant or equipment, other than transport equipment.

## fired heater means a pressure vessel in which—

- (a) a liquid is heated below its atmospheric boiling temperature; or
- (b) a process fluid is heated in tubes above or below its atmospheric boiling temperature;

by the application of fire, the products of combustion, electrical power, or similar high temperature means.

*formerly complying amenity*, for part 23, division 4, see section 235.

*formerly complying dressing room*, for part 23, division 4, see section 235.

*formerly complying lunch room*, for part 23, division 4, see section 235.

*formerly complying toilet*, for part 23, division 4, see section 235.

gantry, for part 17, see section 155.

gantry crane means a crane, comprising a bridge beam that is supported at 1 or both ends by legs mounted to end carriages, capable of travelling along runways and having 1 or more hoisting mechanisms.

**general induction card** means a document in the form of a card issued by the department evidencing a person's successful completion of the general induction training course and that includes—

- (a) the name of the registered training organisation that provided the general induction training course; and
- (b) the national provider code for the registered training organisation issued by the department that administers the *Vocational Education*, *Training and Employment Act* 2000; and
- (c) the course number and name; and
- (d) the name and signature of the person to whom the card was issued; and
- (e) the signature of—
  - (i) the person who conducted the general induction training course; or
  - (ii) a person signing for the person mentioned in subparagraph (i); and
- (f) the date the card was issued.

## general induction evidence, for a person, means—

(a) a statement of attainment for the general induction training course issued to the person by a registered

training organisation under the *Vocational Education*, *Training and Employment Act 2000*; or

(b) a general induction card issued to the person.

general induction training course means the course 30215 QLD—Course in General Safety Induction (Construction Industry) accredited under the *Vocational Education, Training and Employment Act 2000.* 

generic name means the name of a chemical category or group, including, for example, 'azo dyes' and 'halogenated aromatic amines'.

geo-technical engineer, for part 17, see section 155.

### hazardous substance—

- (a) for part 13, other than division 4—see section 88; or
- (b) for part 13, division 4—see section 100.

**health** surveillance means the monitoring (including biological monitoring and medical assessment) of a person to identify changes in the person's health because of exposure to a hazardous substance or lead.

## health surveillance report—

- (a) for a hazardous substance—see section 109; or
- (b) for lead—see section 133.

high risk construction activity, for part 17, see section 155.

historical activity, for part 16, see section 146.

hoarding, for part 17, see section 155.

**holder** of a certificate means the person in whose name the certificate is granted.

housing construction work, for part 17, see section 155.

*impurity* means any fumes, dust, smoke, gas, vapour or other thing that may endanger the workplace health and safety of a worker.

*ingredient* means a component (including an impurity) of a substance.

### intermediate boiler operator means a person who performs—

- (a) the work of a basic boiler operator; and
- (b) operates a boiler with—
  - (i) a modulating combustion air supply; or
  - (ii) a modulating heat source; or
  - (iii) a superheater; or
  - (iv) an economiser.

## intermediate rigger means a person who performs—

- (a) the work of a basic rigger; and
- (b) rigging work associated with—
  - (i) hoists; or
  - (ii) cranes, conveyors, dredges and excavators; or
  - (iii) tilt slabs; or
  - (iv) demolition work; or
  - (v) dual lifts.

## intermediate scaffolder means a person who performs—

- (a) the work of a basic scaffolder; and
- (b) scaffolding work associated with—
  - (i) cantilevered crane loading platforms; or
  - (ii) cantilevered and spurred scaffolds; or
  - (iii) barrow ramps and sloping platforms; or
  - (iv) perimeter safety screens and shutters; or
  - (v) mast climbers; or
  - (vi) tube and coupler scaffolds, including tube and coupler covered ways and gantries.

ladder, for part 17, division 3, subdivision 10, see section 213.

### lead means—

(a) a lead metal; or

- (b) a mixture of 2 or more metals containing more than 0.5% lead by weight (*lead alloy*); or
- (c) a lead salt of an organic acid; or
- (d) a lead hazardous substance.

Example of a lead salt of organic acids—

lead acetate

*lead compound* means a substance, other than an organometallic compound of lead, in which lead is found in the substance's molecular structure.

lead hazardous substance see section 117.

*lead process* means any of the following carried out at a workplace—

- (a) work that exposes a person to lead dust, or lead fume, arising from the manufacture or handling of dry lead compounds;
- (b) work connected with the manufacture, assembly, handling or repair of electrical accumulators (batteries), or parts of electrical accumulators, that involves manipulating dry lead compounds, pasting, casting or soldering of lead;
- (c) breaking up, or dismantling, lead accumulators and the sorting, packing and handling of plates, or other parts of accumulators, that contain lead;
- (d) spraying molten lead, or alloys containing more than 5% by weight of lead;
- (e) melting or casting lead alloys containing more than 5% by weight of lead in which the temperature of the molten material is more than 450°C;
- (f) recovering lead from ore, oxides or other compounds by thermal reduction process;
- (g) using a power tool to dry grind, disc, buff, or cut lead or alloys containing more than 5% by weight of lead;

- (h) using a power tool to sand or buff surfaces coated with a substance containing more than 1% by dry weight of lead;
- (i) any process by which arc, oxyacetylene, oxy gas, plasma arc or a flame is applied (for the purposes of welding, cutting or cleaning) to—
  - (i) lead; or
  - (ii) metal coated with lead; or
  - (iii) coated with paint containing more than 1% by dry weight of lead;
- (j) radiator repairs that generate lead dust or lead fume;
- (k) fire assay in which lead is used;
- (l) foundry work using alloys containing more than 2% by dry weight of lead;
- (m) spray painting with lead paint containing more than 1% by dry weight of lead.

*lead process area* means a workplace, or part of a workplace, where a lead process is carried out.

## lead-risk job means a job in which—

- (a) a person may be exposed to lead; and
- (b) a person's blood lead level does, or may reasonably be expected to, equal or exceed—
  - (i) for a female who is pregnant or breast feeding—0.72µmol/L (15µg/dL); and
  - (ii) for a female with a reproductive capacity—0.97µmol/L (20µg/dL); and
  - (iii) for anyone else—1.45  $\mu$ mol/L (30 $\mu$ g/dL).

light work, for part 17, see section 155.

*manufacturing industry* means that part of industry involved in any of the following—

- (a) the physical or chemical transformation of materials or components into new products, whether the work is performed by power driven machinery or by hand;
- (b) the manufacturing of food, beverages, tobacco, textiles, clothing, footwear, wood, wood products, furniture, paper, paper products, printing and publishing materials, non-metallic mineral products, basic metal products, fabricated metal products, transport equipment and other machinery products and equipment.

*mast climbing work platform* means a hoist with a working platform used for temporary purposes to lift personnel or materials using a drive system mounted on an extendable mast that may be tied to a building.

*master*, of a boat, means the person having command or charge of the boat.

*maximum operating depth*, for a gas, means the maximum safe depth at which the gas can be used.

*medical record* of a person means personal medical results or clinical findings obtained from health surveillance of the person.

mesh, for part 17, division 2, subdivision 11, see section 179.

*minimum operating depth*, of a bottom mix, means the minimum safe depth at which the gas can be used.

*mixed gas* means an underwater breathing mixture other than compressed air or EANx.

### *mobile crane* means a crane that—

- (a) is capable of travelling over a supporting surface without the need for fixed runways (including railway tracks); and
- (b) relies only on gravity for stability, that is, with no vertical restraining connection between itself and the supporting surface and no horizontal restraining connection (other than frictional forces at supporting surface level) that may act as an aid to stability.

*monitoring* means regularly checking, other than by biological monitoring—

- (a) a person's risk from, or level of exposure to, a hazardous substance; and
- (b) the effectiveness of hazardous substance control measures at a person's workplace.

**MSDS**, for a hazardous substance or lead, means a material safety data sheet for the substance or lead given to the person by the substance's or lead's supplier.

national exposure standard, for asbestos, a contaminant, a hazardous substance or lead, means the exposure standard for the asbestos, contaminant, hazardous substance or lead stated in the Adopted National Exposure Standards for Atmospheric Contaminants in the Occupational Environment contained in NOHSC's document entitled 'Exposure Standards for Atmospheric Contaminants in the Occupational Environment'.

national standard means the National Occupational Health and Safety Certification Standard for Users and Operators of Industrial Equipment declared by NOHSC under the National Occupational Health and Safety Commission Act 1985 (Cwlth), part VI.<sup>184</sup>

NICNAS summary report means a summary report under the Industrial Chemicals (Notification and Assessment) Act 1989 (Cwlth).<sup>185</sup>

**NOHSC** means the National Occupational Health and Safety Commission under the *National Occupational Health and Safety Commission Act 1985* (Cwlth).

*object*, for part 17, see section 155.

*open circuit scuba* means self-contained underwater breathing apparatus that does not recirculate, or partially recirculate, the breathing gas.

<sup>184</sup> A copy of the standard is available at <www.nohsc.gov.au>.

<sup>185</sup> NICNAS summary reports refer only to pure substances and are available from the NICNAS website, <www.nicnas.gov.au>.

overhead platform, for part 17, see section 155.

*people mover* means plant designed and intended for use for the transportation of people by way of a vehicle supported and guided on a fixed structure, other than transportation by—

- (a) a people-mover system within the meaning of the *State Transport (People Movers) Act 1989*; or
- (b) a railway, or rail transport infrastructure within the meaning of the *Transport Infrastructure Act 1994*, owned or operated by Queensland Rail; or
- (c) a tram; or
- (d) an amusement device; or
- (e) an escalator; or
- (f) a lift, crane or hoist; or
- (g) an aerial funicular.

perform work includes use plant.

*perimeter containment screening*, for part 17, see section 155.

*permitted work*, for part 17, see section 155.

*personnel hoist* means an appliance for lifting a person on a platform that can be raised more than 2m, but does not include a lift or building maintenance unit.

*prefabricated scaffolding* means an integrated system of scaffolding components manufactured in a way that the assembled shape of the scaffolding is predetermined.

prescribed information, for part 17, see section 155.

*prescribed occupation* means an occupation, or part of an occupation, stated in schedule 5.

## pressure piping—

(a) means an assembly of pipes, pipe fittings, valves and pipe accessories subject to internal or external pressure and used to contain or convey fluid or to transmit fluid pressure; and

- (b) includes distribution headers, bolting, gaskets, pipe supports and pressure retaining accessories; and
- (c) does not include a boiler, pressure vessel or a pipeline.

## pressure vessel—

- (a) means a vessel subject to internal or external pressure; and
- (b) includes—
  - (i) interconnected parts and components, valves, gauges and other fittings up to the first point of connection to connecting piping; and
  - (ii) a fired heater; and
  - (iii) a refillable gas cylinder; and
- (c) does not include a boiler or pressure piping.

*process*, for part 12, division 3, see section 86AC(2).

**product name** of a hazardous substance or lead means the brand name, code name, trade name or code number given to the substance or lead by its manufacturer, importer or supplier.

## public administration industry means any of the following—

- (a) the Queensland Fire Service;
- (b) the Queensland Police Service;
- (c) judicial bodies;
- (d) political parties;
- (e) state or local governments.

*QDC* see schedule 8C, section 2.

Queensland Development Code see schedule 8C, section 2.

*reasonably available*, to a person, for schedules 8A, 8B, 8C, 8E and 8F in relation to an amenity, means—

(a) available at a location reasonably convenient to the person; and

(b) the person's use of the amenity is not unreasonably restricted.

*rebreather* means a semi-closed or closed circuit self-contained underwater breathing apparatus.

**recognised** official means a person who may issue a certificate to work in an occupation under a law of the Commonwealth, or another State about occupational health and safety.

recreational diving means any of the following underwater diving for recreation using compressed air, other than diving in a swimming pool or decompression diving—

- (a) resort diving;
- (b) diving by a person undertaking training in diving for recreation, whether or not the person is being photographed, filmed or videoed while diving;
- (c) diving for recreation by a person with a qualification in underwater diving, whether or not the person is being photographed, filmed or videoed while diving.

recreational services, personal services and other services industry means an industry involved in any of the following—

- (a) entertaining services;
- (b) recreational or sporting services;
- (c) accommodation services;
- (d) catering services;
- (e) personal services, including, for example, babysitting, burial, gardening and photography.

recreational snorkelling does not include snorkelling in a swimming pool.

recreational technical diving means underwater diving for recreation, other than in a swimming pool—

(a) using EANx or mixed gas; or

(b) that is decompression diving using compressed air or other gas.

refillable gas cylinder means a rigid pressure vessel that—

- (a) has a water capacity of more than 0.1L but not more than 3000L; and
- (b) has no openings, or integral attachments, on the shell of the vessel other than at the ends of the vessel; and
- (c) is for the storage and transport of gas under pressure.

## register means—

- (a) for part 13—the register mentioned in section 111; or
- (b) for part 14—the register mentioned in section 127.

*registered* means registered under this regulation.

registered training organisation see the Vocational Education, Training and Employment Act 2000, schedule 3.

*registrable plant* means the plant stated in schedule 3.

*registrable plant design* means the design of plant mentioned in schedule 4.

## relevant authority means—

- (a) for an elevated electric line constructed by an electricity entity—the electricity entity; or
- (b) for an elevated electric line constructed and used by Queensland Rail under the *Transport Infrastructure Act* 1994 as part of a system of electric traction or for signalling purposes on a railway—Queensland Rail.

relevant person see section 28(1) of the Act.

*repetitive dive group* means a letter of the alphabet, given by dive tables, that represents an estimate of the amount of residual nitrogen in a diver's tissues immediately on surfacing at the end of a dive. 186

<sup>186</sup> Some dive tables refer to 'pressure group' instead of repetitive dive group.

**repository** means the Australian National Material Safety Data Sheet Repository kept by NOHSC.

*representative* of a worker includes a coworker elected by workers at the worker's workplace to represent the worker on workplace health and safety issues.

*reproductive capacity* means being physiologically capable of becoming pregnant.

### Example—

A female using a contraceptive pill is of reproductive capacity if she would be physiologically capable of becoming pregnant were she not using the pill.

**residual nitrogen** means nitrogen, in excess of the amount normally present in a person's tissues, that is dissolved in the person's tissues.

**resort diving** means an introductory scuba experience, or introductory educational diving program, conducted according to a recreational scuba training organisation's program, or a recreational technical scuba training organisation's program, whether or not the person is being photographed, filmed or videoed while diving.

*retail and wholesale trade industry* means an industry involved in selling new or used goods.

*retail warehouse operator* means an operator of a warehouse where unopened packaged goods, intended for retail sale, are stored.

*rigging work* means using mechanical load shifting equipment and associated gear—

- (a) to move, place or secure a load; or
- (b) to set up or dismantle a crane or hoist.

risk assessment means a risk assessment made under—

- (a) for part 13—section 105; or
- (b) for part 14—section 129.

risk phrase, for a hazardous substance or lead, means a phrase stated in NOHSC's document entitled 'National Code of

Practice for the Labelling of Workplace Substances' that gives information about the substance's or lead's hazards.

roll-over protective structure, for part 16, see section 146.

*rural industry* means an industry in which persons are engaged primarily in work—

- (a) in the cultivation of any agricultural crop or product whether grown for food or not; or
- (b) in the rearing and management of livestock; or
- (c) in the classing, scouring, sorting or pressing of wool; or
- (d) aquiculture; or
- (e) in flower or vegetable market gardens; or
- (f) at clearing, fencing, trenching, draining or otherwise preparing land for any purpose stated in paragraphs (a), (b) and (d) to (f).

safe oxygen level means an oxygen content in air under normal atmospheric pressure that—

- (a) is equal to or more than 19.5% by volume (equivalent to a partial pressure of oxygen of 19.8kPa); and
- (b) is equal to or less than 23.5% by volume (equivalent to a partial pressure of oxygen of 23.9kPa).

safety phrase, for a hazardous substance or lead, means a phrase stated in NOHSC's document entitled 'National Code of Practice for the Labelling of Workplace Substances' that gives information about—

- (a) the safe use of the substance or lead; or
- (b) the personal protective equipment for the substance or lead.

*scaffolding* means a temporary structure, not including a trestle ladder, supporting a platform used to perform work.

*scaffolding work* means the erection, alteration or dismantling of scaffolding.

scope of registration see the Vocational Education, Training and Employment Act 2000, schedule 3.

scuba means self-contained underwater breathing apparatus.

self-erecting tower crane means a tower crane that—

- (a) has a tower structure with a boom or jib that ordinarily remains fully assembled and part of the crane while being transported from one place to another; and
- (b) has erection and dismantling processes that are an inherent part of the crane's function.

site-specific induction, for part 17, see section 155.

**specified amusement device** means a device classified as a class 2, 3, 4 or 5 amusement device in AS 3533, part 1<sup>187</sup> as in force on 5 December 1997.

## spray painting means—

- (a) the process in which either of the following are sprayed onto a surface to produce a film of required thickness and texture—
  - (i) a liquid coating substance that is converted into an aerosol or mist;
  - (ii) a powder coating substance;
- (b) an activity directly related to the process mentioned in paragraph (a), whether carried out before, during or after the process.

Examples of paragraph (b)—

paint mixing, paint matching and cleaning a spray gun

*spray painting booth* means a room or enclosure designed solely for the purpose of spray painting.

**SSBA** means underwater breathing apparatus supplying the wearer with compressed breathing gas through a hose from a compressor or storage cylinder at the surface or from a submersible work chamber or habitat.

<sup>187</sup> AS 3533 (Amusement rides and devices), part 1 (Design and construction)

*stand-by diver*, for part 12, division 3, see section 86AO.

**statement of attainment** see the *Vocational Education*, *Training and Employment Act 2000*, schedule 3.

static line, for part 17, see section 155.

**substance** does not include a thing (other than a fluid or particle)—

- (a) formed during production to a predetermined design or shape or to have a predetermined surface; and
- (b) used for a purpose depending completely or partly on its design, shape or surface; and
- (c) keeping its chemical composition and physical state during use.

technical standard see section 39B.

*time in* means the time a diver leaves the surface at the start of a dive.

*time out* means the time a diver surfaces at the end of a dive.

*tower crane* means a crane with a boom that is mounted on a tower structure.

*tractor*, for part 16, see section 146.

*trainee* means a person being trained in a prescribed occupation.

*transport and storage industry* means an industry involved in any of the following—

- (a) passenger or freight transport;
- (b) providing terminal facilities for passengers or freight;
- (c) operating airports;
- (d) selling or leasing aircraft or ships;
- (e) motor vehicle parking;
- (f) motor vehicle rental;
- (g) stevedoring;
- (h) harbour or navigation services;

- (i) booking, forwarding, crating, storage or custom agency services;
- (j) operating oil or gas pipelines.

travel restraint system, for part 17, see section 155.

trench, for part 17, see section 155.

*truck-mounted concrete placing unit with boom* means plant that—

- (a) is used to place concrete by way of pumping concrete through a pipeline attached to or forming part of the boom; and
- (b) is capable of travelling over a supporting surface without the need for fixed runways (including railway tracks); and
- (c) relies on gravity for stability, that is, with no vertical restraining connection between itself and the supporting surface and no horizontal restraining connection (other than frictional forces at supporting surface level) that may act as an aid to stability.

*type 1 ingredient* of a substance means an ingredient present in the substance in a concentration more than the ingredient's concentration cut-off level stated in the approved criteria and—

- (a) described in the approved criteria as—
  - (i) carcinogenic, corrosive, mutagenic, teratogenic, toxic or very toxic; or
  - (ii) a respiratory or skin sensitiser; or
  - (iii) a harmful substance capable of causing a person an irreversible adverse health effect after acute exposure; or
  - (iv) a harmful substance capable of causing serious damage to a person's health after repeated or prolonged exposure; or
- (b) listed, and having an exposure standard stated, in the Adopted National Exposure Standards for Atmospheric

Contaminants in the Occupational Environment contained in NOHSC's document entitled 'Exposure Standards for Atmospheric Contaminants in the Occupational Environment'.

type 2 ingredient of a substance means an ingredient (other than an ingredient mentioned in the definition type 1 ingredient, paragraph (a)) present in the substance—

- (a) in a concentration more than the ingredient's concentration cut-off level stated in the approved criteria; and
- (b) described in the approved criteria as a harmful substance.

*type 3 ingredient* of a substance means an ingredient (other than a type 1 or type 2 ingredient) present in the substance.

underground service, for part 17, see section 155.

*underwater diving* does not include snorkelling or breath-hold diving.

underwater diving work, for part 12, see section 76.

*use* of a hazardous substance or lead includes handling, production, storage, movement and disposal of the substance or lead, but does not include the carriage of a substance covered by the ADG Code or the International Maritime Dangerous Goods Code.<sup>188</sup>

*vehicle hoist* means a vehicle hoisting device designed to give convenient under chassis access for work or examination.

work activity performer, for a business or undertaking, means a person who performs a work activity for the purposes of the business or undertaking, whether or not the person works on a voluntary basis.

Examples of persons who may perform a work activity for the purposes of a business or undertaking—

a worker

<sup>188</sup> The International Maritime Dangerous Goods Code is prepared by the International Maritime Organisation.

- · an employer who is an individual
- an executive officer of an employer that is a corporation
- a self-employed person
- employees, of a supplier of labour, whose services have been obtained by the person conducting the business or undertaking under a contract

work box means a device designed to be suspended from a crane to provide a working area for a person.

Workers' Compensation Act means the Workers' Compensation and Rehabilitation Act 2003.

work method statement, for part 17, see section 155.

work requiring a decompression stop means diving, at a depth and for a time, that would require a decompression stop if the Standard Air Decompression Table (Decompression in the Water) as published in AS/NZS 2299, part 1, appendix F, Table F1(A) or F1(B)<sup>189</sup> were being used for the dive.

<sup>189</sup> AS 2299 (Occupational diving operations), part 1 (Standard operational practice)

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## 2 Date to which amendments incorporated

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## 3 Key

Key to abbreviations in list of legislation and annotations

Key		Explanation	Key		Explanation
AIA	=	Acts Interpretation Act 1954	(prev)	=	previously
amd	=	amended	proc	=	proclamation
amdt	=	amendment	prov	=	provision
ch	=	chapter	pt	=	part
def	=	definition	pubd	=	published
div	=	division	R[X]	=	Reprint No. [X]
exp	=	expires/expired	RA	=	Reprints Act 1992
gaz	=	gazette	reloc	=	relocated
hdg	=	heading	renum	=	renumbered
ins	=	inserted	rep	=	repealed
lap	=	lapsed	(retro)	=	retrospectively
notfd	=	notified	rv	=	revised edition
num	=	numbered	S	=	section
o in c	=	order in council	sch	=	schedule
om	=	omitted	sdiv	=	subdivision
orig	=	original	SIA	=	Statutory Instruments Act 1992
p	=	page	SIR	=	<b>Statutory Instruments Regulation 2002</b>
para	=	paragraph	SL	=	subordinate legislation
prev	=	previous			
prec	=	preceding	sub	=	substituted
pres	=	present	unnum	=	unnumbered

## 4 Table of reprints

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4G	2004 SL No. 289	1 February 2005	R4G withdrawn, see R5
5	_	1 February 2005	
5A	2005 SL No. 70	1 May 2005	
5B rv	2005 SL No. 308	16 December 2005	
5C	2005 SL No. 308	1 January 2006	
5D	2005 SL No. 308	1 February 2006	R5D withdrawn, see R6
6	_	1 February 2006	
6A	2006 SL No. 227	1 September 2006	
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6F	2007 SL No. 12	1 April 2007	

## 5 Tables in earlier reprints

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## 6 List of legislation

### Workplace Health and Safety Regulation 1997 SL No. 409

made by the Governor in Council on 27 November 1997

notfd gaz 28 November 1997 pp 1408-10

ss 1-2 commenced on date of notification

remaining provisions commenced 1 February 1998 (see s 2)

exp 1 September 2008 (see SIA s 54)

Note—The expiry date may have changed since this reprint was published. See the latest reprint of the SIR for any change.

amending legislation—

## Workplace Health and Safety Amendment Regulation (No. 1) 1998 SL No. 88

notfd gaz 17 April 1998 pp 1616–18 commenced on date of notification

### Workplace Health and Safety Amendment Regulation (No. 2) 1998 SL No. 318

notfd gaz 4 December 1998 pp 1270–1

ss 1-2 commenced on date of notification

remaining provisions commenced 1 January 1999 (see s 2)

# Workplace Health and Safety Legislation Amendment Regulation (No. 1) 1999 SL No. 110 ss 1, 2(2)–(4), pt 3 (this regulation is amended, see amending legislation below)

notfd gaz 11 June 1999 pp 675-8

ss 1-2 commenced on date of notification

s 12(3)–(4) commenced 1 January 2000 (see s 2(2))

s 15 commenced 1 February 2000 (see s 2(4))

remaining provisions commenced 1 July 1999 (see s 2(4))

amending legislation—

## Workplace Health and Safety Amendment Regulation (No. 3) 1999 SL No. 276 pts 1, 3 (amends 1999 SL No. 110 above)

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### Workplace Health and Safety Amendment Regulation (No. 1) 1999 SL No. 216

notfd gaz 17 September 1999 pp 250–1

commenced on date of notification

## Workplace Health and Safety Amendment Regulation (No. 2) 1999 SL No. 233

notfd gaz 15 October 1999 pp 630–1 commenced on date of notification

## Workplace Health and Safety Amendment Regulation (No. 3) 1999 SL No. 276 pts

notfd gaz 12 November 1999 pp 1007–9

commenced on date of notification

### Workplace Health and Safety Amendment Regulation (No. 1) 2000 SL No. 249

notfd gaz 22 September 2000 pp 313-4

commenced on date of notification

### Workplace Health and Safety Amendment Regulation (No. 2) 2000 SL No. 288

notfd gaz 17 November 2000 pp 1093-5

pt 2 commenced 1 February 2001 (see s 2(1))

pt 3 commenced 1 February 2002 (see s 2(2))

remaining provisions commenced on date of notification

### Workplace Health and Safety Amendment Regulation (No. 3) 2000 SL No. 313

notfd gaz 8 December 2000 pp 1374-7

ss 1–2 commenced on date of notification

remaining provisions commenced 1 February 2001 immediately after the commencement on that day of the Workplace Health and Safety Amendment Regulation (No. 2) 2000 pt 2 (see s 2)

### Workplace Health and Safety Amendment Regulation (No. 1) 2001 SL No. 100

notfd gaz 29 June 2001 pp 822-5

commenced on date of notification

## Workplace Health and Safety Amendment Regulation (No. 2) 2001 SL No. 166

notfd gaz 14 September 2001 pp 139-40

ss 1-2 commenced on date of notification

remaining provisions commenced 1 February 2002 (see s 2)

### Workplace Health and Safety Amendment Regulation (No. 3) 2001 SL No. 219

notfd gaz 23 November 2001 pp 1088-91

ss 1–2 commenced on date of notification

remaining provisions commenced 1 February 2002 (see s 2)

### Workplace Health and Safety Amendment Regulation (No. 1) 2002 SL No. 7

notfd gaz 1 February 2002 pp 338–9

ss 1-2 commenced on date of notification

remaining provisions commenced 1 February 2003 (see s 2)

## Medical Practitioners Registration Regulation 2002 SL No. 31 ss 1–2, 16 sch 4

notfd gaz 1 March 2002 pp 850-2

ss 1-2 commenced on date of notification

remaining provisions commenced 1 March 2002 (see s 2)

### Workplace Health and Safety Amendment Regulation (No. 2) 2002 SL No. 39

notfd gaz 8 March 2002 pp 936–7

commenced on date of notification

### Podiatrists Registration Regulation 2002 SL No. 80 ss1-2, 10 sch 3

notfd gaz 26 April 2002 pp 1540-3

ss 1-2 commenced on date of notification

remaining provisions commenced 1 May 2002 (see s 2)

## Workplace Health and Safety Amendment Regulation (No. 3) 2002 SL No. 109

notfd gaz 17 May 2002 pp 235-6

ss 1–2 commenced on date of notification

ss 7 (to the extent it ins new s 65J and pt 8, div 3, sdiv 2 and div 4), 8 (to the extent it ins new pt 11, div 4, sdiv 2 and div 5) commenced 1 January 2003 (see s 2(2)–(3))

remaining provisions commenced 1 September 2002 (see s 2(1))

Note—A regulatory impact statement and explanatory note were prepared.

### Workplace Health and Safety Amendment Regulation (No. 4) 2002 SL No. 182

notfd gaz 12 July 2002 pp 1064–5 commenced on date of notification

## Workplace Health and Safety Legislation Amendment Regulation (No. 1) 2002 SL No. 201 pts 1–2

notfd gaz 16 August 2002 pp 1420–1 ss 1–2 commenced on date of notification remaining provisions commenced 2 September 2002 (see s 2)

## Workplace Health and Safety Amendment Regulation (No. 5) 2002 SL No. 232

notfd gaz 30 August 2002 pp 1557-61

ss 1–2 commenced on date of notification

ss 3, 4, 6–21 commenced 1 September 2002 immediately after the commencement of the Workplace Health and Safety Amendment Regulation (No. 3) 2002, s 3 (see s 2(1))

remaining provision commenced 1 January 2003 immediately after s 75K was ins into the Workplace Health and Safety Regulation 1997 by the Workplace Health and Safety Amendment Regulation (No. 3) 2002, s 8 (see s 2(2))

### Electrical Safety Regulation 2002 SL No. 260 ss 1–2, 235 sch 7

notfd gaz 27 September 2002 pp 340–4

ss 1-2 commenced on date of notification

remaining provisions commenced 1 October 2002 (see s 2)

Note—A regulatory impact statement and explanatory note were prepared.

### Workplace Health and Safety Amendment Regulation (No. 6) 2002 SL No. 261

notfd gaz 27 September 2002 pp 340-4

ss 1, 3 commenced on date of notification

remaining provisions commenced 1 November 2002 (see s 3)

### Workplace Health and Safety Amendment Regulation (No. 7) 2002 SL No. 290

notfd gaz 1 November 2002 pp 759-62

commenced on date of notification

### Workplace Health and Safety Amendment Regulation (No. 8) 2002 SL No. 313

notfd gaz 22 November 2002 pp 1018-21

ss 1-2 commenced on date of notification

remaining provisions commenced 1 February 2003 (see s 2)

### Workplace Health and Safety Amendment Regulation (No. 1) 2003 SL No. 68

notfd gaz 17 April 2003 pp 1386-7

ss 1–2 commenced on date of notification

remaining provisions commenced 1 July 2003 (see s 2)

Note—A regulatory impact statement and explanatory note were prepared.

## Workplace Health and Safety Amendment Regulation (No. 2) 2003 SL No. 102 pts 1-2

notfd gaz 30 May 2003 pp 371-6

ss 1-2 commenced on date of notification

remaining provisions commenced 1 June 2003 (see s 2)

## Workers' Compensation and Rehabilitation Regulation 2003 SL No. 119 ss 1–2, 121 sch 7

notfd gaz 20 June 2003 pp 633-6

ss 1–2 commenced on date of notification

remaining provisions commenced 1 July 2003 (see s 2)

## Workplace Health and Safety Amendment Regulation (No. 3) 2003 SL No. 169

notfd gaz 18 July 2003 pp 1016–17

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## Workplace Health and Safety Amendment Regulation (No. 4) 2003 SL No. 235

notfd gaz 26 September 2003 pp 298-9

ss 1–2 commenced on date of notification

ss 3–7, 9 commenced 31 December 2003 (see s 2(1))

s 8 commenced 1 February 2004 (see s 2(2))

Note—A national regulatory impact statement was prepared.

## Workplace Health and Safety Amendment Regulation (No. 1) 2004 SL No. 142 pts 1,

notfd gaz 30 July 2004 pp 1009-10

commenced on date of notification

Note—An explanatory note was prepared.

### Workplace Health and Safety Amendment Regulation (No. 2) 2004 SL No. 256

notfd gaz 26 November 2004 pp 1040-2

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## Workers' Compensation and Rehabilitation and Other Legislation Amendment Regulation (No. 1) 2004 SL No. 289 ss 1–2(1)–(2), pt 3

notfd gaz 17 December 2004 pp 1277-85

ss 1–2 commenced on date of notification

ss 21–23, 26–27, 31, 33 commenced 1 February 2005 (see s 2(2))

s 30 commenced 1 January 2005 (see s 2(1))

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Note—An explanatory note was prepared.

## Workplace Health and Safety Amendment Regulation (No. 3) 2004 SL No. 290 pts 1–2

notfd gaz 17 December 2004 pp 1277-85

ss 1-2 commenced on date of notification

remaining provisions commenced 1 January 2005 (see s 2)

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notfd gaz 29 April 2005 pp 1392-5

ss 1-2 commenced on date of notification

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Note—A regulatory impact statement and explanatory note were prepared.

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notfd gaz 16 December 2005 pp 1490-6

ss 1–2, 17, 54, 56 (to the extent it ins pt 23 div 5 hdg, s 242), 59–60, 63(1), sch items 7–10, 13, 20, 23, 27–28, 40, 44, 52–53 commenced on date of notification

s 57 commenced 1 February 2006 (see s 2(2))

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Note—Two regulatory impact statements and an explanatory note were prepared.

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notfd gaz 18 August 2006 pp 1821-5

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notfd gaz 16 February 2007 pp 760-1

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Providing NICNAS summary report and other information

**s 94** amd 2005 SL No. 308 s 17 sch

**Providing MSDS** 

**s 97** amd 2005 SL No. 308 s 17 sch

Labelling containers

**s 98** amd 1999 SL No. 276 s 3; 2005 SL No. 308 s 17 sch

**Division 4—Relevant persons** 

**div hdg** sub 2005 SL No. 308 s 17 sch

Who division applies to

**s 99** amd 2005 SL No. 308 s 17 sch

Meaning of "hazardous substance" for division

s 100 def "hazardous substance" amd 2005 SL No. 308 s 17 sch

**Obtaining MSDS** 

**s 101** amd 2005 SL No. 308 s 17 sch

Recording and displaying MSDS

s 102 amd 2005 SL No. 308 s 17 sch

Labelling containers

**s 103** amd 1999 SL No. 276 s 4; 2005 SL No. 308 s 17 sch

Hazardous substances in enclosed systems

**s 104** amd 2005 SL No. 308 s 17 sch

Risk assessments

**s 105** amd 2005 SL No. 308 s 17 sch

Risk assessment records

**s 106** amd 2005 SL No. 308 s 17 sch

Controlling exposure

s 107 amd 1999 SL No. 110 s 12(1); 2005 SL No. 308 s 17 sch

Monitoring

**s 108** amd 2005 SL No. 308 s 17 sch

Health surveillance

**s 109** amd 2005 SL No. 308 s 17 sch

Confidentiality of worker's medical record

**s 110** amd 2005 SL No. 308 s 17 sch

**Keeping register** 

**s 111** sub 2003 SL No. 235 s 6

amd 2005 SL No. 308 s 17 sch

Keeping records

s 112 amd 2005 SL No. 308 s 17 sch (amdt 18 could not be given effect)

Induction and training about hazardous substances

**s 113** amd 2005 SL No. 308 s 17 sch

Prohibited substances and asbestos products

**prov hdg** sub 2003 SL No. 235 s 7 **s 114** amd 2003 SL No. 235 s 7

om 2005 SL No. 308 s 48

Division 5—Spray painting with hazardous substances

**div hdg** ins 1999 SL No. 110 s 12(2)

Ways to prevent or minimise risk prescribed

**s 115A** ins 1999 SL No. 110 s 12(2)

amd 1999 SL No. 110 s 12(3); 2005 SL No. 308 s 17 sch

Manufacturing or importing a spray painting booth

**s 115B** ins 1999 SL No. 110 s 12(2)

amd 2005 SL No. 308 s 17 sch

Supplying a spray painting booth

**s 115C** ins 1999 SL No. 110 s 12(2)

Protecting persons from spray painting

**s 115D** ins 1999 SL No. 110 s 12(2)

amd 2005 SL No. 308 s 17 sch

Spray painting to be done in spray painting booth

**s 115E** ins 1999 SL No. 110 s 12(2)

amd 2005 SL No. 308 s 17 sch

Controlling exposure from spray painting

s 115F ins 1999 SL No. 110 s 12(2) amd 2005 SL No. 308 s 17 sch

Maintaining a spray painting booth

**s 115G** ins 1999 SL No. 110 s 12(2)

amd 2005 SL No. 308 s 17 sch

Minimum air movement for booths

**s 115H** ins 1999 SL No. 110 s 12(4)

amd 2005 SL No. 308 s 17 sch

PART 14—LEAD

Preparing, amending and reviewing MSDS

**s 119** amd 2005 SL No. 308 s 17 sch

**Providing MSDS** 

**s 120** amd 2005 SL No. 308 s 17 sch

Providing NICNAS summary report and other information

**s 121** amd 2005 SL No. 308 s 17 sch

**Providing MSDS** 

**s 123** amd 2005 SL No. 308 s 17 sch

Labelling containers

**s 124** amd 2005 SL No. 308 s 17 sch

**Division 4—Relevant persons** 

**div hdg** sub 2005 SL No. 308 s 17 sch

Who division applies to

**s 125** amd 2005 SL No. 308 s 17 sch

**Obtaining MSDS** 

**s 126** amd 2005 SL No. 308 s 17 sch

**Keeping registers** 

**s 127** amd 2005 SL No. 308 s 17 sch

Labelling containers

**s 128** amd 2005 SL No. 308 s 17 sch

Risk assessment

**s 129** amd 2005 SL No. 308 s 17 sch

Risk assessment records

**s 130** amd 2005 SL No. 308 s 17 sch

**Controlling exposure** 

**s 131** amd 2005 SL No. 308 s 17 sch

**Atmospheric monitoring** 

**s 132** amd 2005 SL No. 308 s 17 sch

Health surveillance

**s 133** amd 2005 SL No. 308 s 17 sch

**Reviewing control measures** 

**s 134** amd 2005 SL No. 308 s 17 sch

Removal of worker from a lead-risk job

**s 135** sub 2005 SL No. 308 s 49

Removal of relevant person from a lead-risk job

**s 135A** ins 2005 SL No. 308 s 49

Return to a lead-risk job

**s 136** amd 2005 SL No. 308 s 17 sch

Confidentiality of worker's medical record

s 137 amd 2005 SL No. 308 s 17 sch

Induction and training about lead

**s 138** amd 2005 SL No. 308 s 17 sch

**Keeping records** 

**s 139** amd 2005 SL No. 308 s 17 sch

Health surveillance

**s 141** amd 2005 SL No. 308 s 17 sch

Advising of pregnancy or breast feeding

**s 142** amd 2005 SL No. 308 s 17 sch

Designing, manufacturing or supplying a confined space

s 143 amd 2002 SL No. 182 s 3; 2003 SL No. 169 s 11; 2005 SL No. 308 s 17 sch

Modifying a confined space

**s 144** amd 2002 SL No. 182 s 4; 2003 SL No. 169 s 12; 2005 SL No. 308 s 17 sch

Using a confined space

s 145 amd 2002 SL No. 182 s 5; 2002 SL No. 260 s 235 sch 7; 2003 SL No. 169 s 13; 2005 SL No. 308 s 17 sch

### PART 16—ROLL-OVER PROTECTIVE STRUCTURES FOR WHEELED TRACTORS

pt hdg

prev pt 16 hdg ins 1999 SL No. 110 s 13 om 2002 SL No. 260 s 235 sch 7 pres pt 16 hdg ins 2003 SL No. 68 s 4

#### **Division 1—Interpretation**

div hdg

prev div 1 hdg ins 1999 SL No. 110 s 13 om 2002 SL No. 260 s 235 sch 7 pres div 1 hdg ins 2003 SL No. 68 s 4

#### **Definitions for pt 16**

s 146

prev s 146 ins 1999 SL No. 110 s 13 om 2002 SL No. 260 s 235 sch 7 pres s 146 ins 2003 SL No. 68 s 4 def **"exempt tractor"** amd 2004 SL No. 142 s 13(2)

def "historical activity" ins 2004 SL No. 142 s 13(2)

### Meaning of "tractor"

s 147

prev s 147 ins 1999 SL No. 110 s 13 om 2002 SL No. 260 s 235 sch 7 pres s 147 ins 2003 SL No. 68 s 4

#### Demonstrator tractor is taken to be new

s 148

prev s 148 ins 1999 SL No. 110 s 13 om 2002 SL No. 260 s 235 sch 7 pres s 148 ins 2003 SL No. 68 s 4

### Division 2—Ways to prevent or minimise risk from wheeled tractor rolling over

div hdg

prev div 2 hdg ins 1999 SL No. 110 s 13 om 2002 SL No. 260 s 235 sch 7 pres div 2 hdg ins 2003 SL No. 68 s 4

#### Ways to prevent or minimise risk prescribed

s 149

prev s 149 ins 1999 SL No. 110 s 13 om 2002 SL No. 260 s 235 sch 7 pres s 149 ins 2003 SL No. 68 s 4

### Roll-over protective structure to be fitted to wheeled tractor used by relevant person

prov hdg s 150 amd 2005 SL No. 308 s 17 sch prev s 150 ins 1999 SL No. 110 s 13 om 2002 SL No. 260 s 235 sch 7 pres s 150 ins 2003 SL No. 68 s 4 amd 2005 SL No. 308 s 17 sch

#### Roll-over protective structure to be fitted to wheeled tractor used by worker

s 151 prev s 151 ins 1999 SL No. 110 s 13 om 2002 SL No. 260 s 235 sch 7 pres s 151 ins 2003 SL No. 68 s 4

amd 2005 SL No. 308 s 17 sch

# Roll-over protective structure to be fitted to wheeled tractor used for business or undertaking

s 152 prev s 152 ins 1999 SL No. 110 s 13 om 2002 SL No. 260 s 235 sch 7 pres s 152 ins 2003 SL No. 68 s 4 om 2005 SL No. 308 s 17 sch

### Roll-over protective structure to be fitted to wheeled tractor hired, leased or borrowed

s 153 prev s 153 ins 1999 SL No. 110 s 13 om 2002 SL No. 260 s 235 sch 7 pres s 153 ins 2003 SL No. 68 s 4 amd 2005 SL No. 308 s 17 sch

# Division 3—Obligation of prospective supplier of wheeled tractor not fitted with a roll-over protective structure

**div hdg** prev div 3 hdg ins 1999 SL No. 110 s 13 om 2002 SL No. 260 s 235 sch 7 pres div 3 hdg ins 2003 SL No. 68 s 4

# Obligation of prospective supplier of wheeled tractor not fitted with a roll-over protective structure

s 154 prev s 154 ins 1999 SL No. 110 s 13 om 2002 SL No. 260 s 235 sch 7; 2004 SL No. 142 s 14 pres s 154 ins 2003 SL No. 68 s 4 amd 2004 SL No. 142 s 14

#### Division 4—Class 2 work

**div hdg** ins 1999 SL No. 110 s 13 (incl in orig pt 16) om 2002 SL No. 260 s 235 sch 7

#### Division 5—Class 3 or 4 work

**div hdg** ins 1999 SL No. 110 s 13 (incl in orig pt 16) om 2002 SL No. 260 s 235 sch 7

#### Division 6—Hire electrical equipment

**div hdg** ins 1999 SL No. 110 s 13 (incl in orig pt 16) om 2002 SL No. 260 s 235 sch 7

#### PART 17—CONSTRUCTION WORK

pt hdg ins 2002 SL No. 109 s 10 sub 2005 SL No. 308 s 50

### **Division 1—Interpretation**

**div hdg** ins 2002 SL No. 109 s 10 sub 2005 SL No. 308 s 50

#### **Definitions for pt 17**

s 155 prev s 155 ins 1999 SL No. 110 s 13 om 2002 SL No. 260 s 235 sch 7 pres s 155 ins 2005 SL No. 308 s 50

#### Meaning of "high risk construction activity"

s 156 prev s 156 ins 1999 SL No. 110 s 13 om 2002 SL No. 260 s 235 sch 7 pres s 156 ins 2005 SL No. 308 s 50

### Meaning of "work method statement" for high risk construction activity other than prescribed activity

s 157 prev s 157 ins 1999 SL No. 110 s 13 om 2002 SL No. 260 s 235 sch 7 pres s 157 ins 2005 SL No. 308 s 50

### Meaning of "work method statement" for high risk construction activity that is prescribed activity

s 158 prev s 158 ins 1999 SL No. 110 s 13 om 2002 SL No. 260 s 235 sch 7 pres s 158 ins 2005 SL No. 308 s 50

### **Division 2—Principal contractors**

**div hdg** ins 2002 SL No. 109 s 10 sub 2005 SL No. 308 s 50

#### **Subdivision 1—Preliminary**

**sdiv hdg** ins 2005 SL No. 308 s 50

#### Application of div 2

s 159 prev s 159 ins 1999 SL No. 110 s 13 amd 2002 SL No. 39 s 3 om 2002 SL No. 260 s 235 sch 7 pres s 159 ins 2005 SL No. 308 s 50

#### Subdivision 2—Obligation to prepare construction safety plan

**sdiv hdg** ins 2005 SL No. 308 s 50

#### Principal contractor must prepare construction safety plan

s 160 prev s 160 ins 1999 SL No. 110 s 13 om 2002 SL No. 260 s 235 sch 7 pres s 160 ins 2005 SL No. 308 s 50

# When principal contractor not to allow relevant person to start housing construction work

s 161 prev s 161 ins 1999 SL No. 110 s 13 om 2002 SL No. 260 s 235 sch 7 pres s 161 ins 2005 SL No. 308 s 50

### When principal contractor not to allow relevant person to start construction work, other than housing construction work

s 162 prev s 162 ins 1999 SL No. 110 s 13 om 2002 SL No. 260 s 235 sch 7 pres s 162 ins 2005 SL No. 308 s 50

#### Availability of current construction safety plan

**s 163** prev s 163 ins 1999 SL No. 110 s 13 amd 2002 SL No. 39 s 4

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om 2002 SL No. 260 s 235 sch 7 pres s 163 ins 2005 SL No. 308 s 50
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#### Amendment of construction safety plan

s 164 prev s 164 ins 1999 SL No. 110 s 13 om 2002 SL No. 260 s 235 sch 7 pres s 164 ins 2005 SL No. 308 s 50

Subdivision 3—Principal contractor's obligation for work method statements sdiv hdg ins 2005 SL No. 308 s 50

# Principal contractor not to allow relevant person to start high risk construction activity unless work method statement prepared

s 165 prev s 165 ins 1999 SL No. 110 s 13 om 2002 SL No. 260 s 235 sch 7 pres s 165 ins 2005 SL No. 308 s 50

# Work method statement or amended work method statement to be kept with construction safety plan

s 166 prev s 166 ins 1999 SL No. 110 s 13 om 2002 SL No. 260 s 235 sch 7 pres s 166 ins 2005 SL No. 308 s 50

# Principal contractor not to allow person to perform prescribed activity unless in compliance with work method statement

s 167 sub 2002 SL No. 109 s 10 amd 2004 SL No. 142 s 15 sub 2005 SL No. 308 s 50

#### Principal contractor to monitor use of work method statement

s 168 sub 2002 SL No. 109 s 10 amd 2004 SL No. 289 s 28 sub 2005 SL No. 308 s 50

# Subdivision 4—Principal contractor's obligation to sight induction evidence and conduct site-specific workplace health and safety inductions

**sdiv hdg** ins 2005 SL No. 308 s 50

# Principal contractor to sight general induction evidence before construction work starts

s 169 prev s 169 ins 1999 SL No. 276 s 5 exp 1 February 2000 (see s 169(2)) pres s 169 ins 2002 SL No. 109 s 10 sub 2005 SL No. 308 s 50

#### Site-specific induction to be given

s 170 ins 2002 SL No. 109 s 10 amd 2002 SL No. 232 s 6 sub 2005 SL No. 308 s 50

# Subdivision 5—Principal contractor's obligation in relation to prescribed occupations and prescribed activities

**sdiv hdg** ins 2005 SL No. 308 s 50

#### Authority to perform work in prescribed occupation or prescribed activity

s 171 ins 2002 SL No. 109 s 10 sub 2005 SL No. 308 s 50

#### Subdivision 6—Principal contractor's obligation to erect signs

**sdiv hdg** ins 2005 SL No. 308 s 50

Signs

s 172 ins 2002 SL No. 109 s 10 sub 2005 SL No. 308 s 50

### Subdivision 7—Principal contractor's obligation about safe housekeeping practices

**sdiv hdg** ins 2005 SL No. 308 s 50

Purpose of sdiv 7

s 173 ins 2002 SL No. 109 s 10 sub 2005 SL No. 308 s 50

Safe housekeeping practices

s 174 ins 2002 SL No. 109 s 10 sub 2005 SL No. 308 s 50

#### Subdivision 8—Principal contractor's obligation for common plant

**sdiv hdg** ins 2005 SL No. 308 s 50

Common plant

ins 2002 SL No. 109 s 10 amd 2002 SL No. 232 s 7 sub 2005 SL No. 308 s 50

#### Subdivision 9—Principal contractor's obligation for hazardous substances

**sdiv hdg** ins 2005 SL No. 308 s 50

Register of hazardous substances

s 176 ins 2002 SL No. 109 s 10 sub 2005 SL No. 308 s 50

#### Subdivision 10—Principal contractor's obligation for underground services

**sdiv hdg** ins 2005 SL No. 308 s 50

### Information about underground services

s 177 ins 2002 SL No. 109 s 10 sub 2005 SL No. 308 s 50

#### Subdivision 11—Principal contractor's obligation for falling objects

**sdiv hdg** ins 2005 SL No. 308 s 50

**Application of sdiv 11** 

s 178 ins 2002 SL No. 109 s 10 sub 2005 SL No. 308 s 50

What is "mesh" for sdiv 11

s 179 ins 2002 SL No. 109 s 10 sub 2005 SL No. 308 s 50

### Risk assessment and control measures for civil construction work and housing construction work

s 180 ins 2002 SL No. 109 s 10 sub 2005 SL No. 308 s 50

# Control measures for construction work that is not civil construction work or housing construction work

s 181 ins 2002 SL No. 109 s 10 amd 2002 SL No. 232 s 8; 2004 SL No. 142 s 16; 2004 SL No. 289 s 29 sub 2005 SL No. 308 s 50

# Additional control measures if measured angle is 75° or more, other than for demolition work or work erecting or dismantling formwork

s 182 ins 2002 SL No. 109 s 10 sub 2005 SL No. 308 s 50

### Control measures for demolition work or work erecting or dismantling formwork

prov hdg s 183 sub 2004 SL No. 142 s 17(1) ins 2002 SL No. 109 s 10 amd 2003 SL No. 102 s 23; 2004 SL No. 142 s 17 sub 2005 SL No. 308 s 50

#### Perimeter containment screening as control measure

prov hdg amd 2002 SL No. 232 s 9 sub 2004 SL No. 142 s 18(1)
 s 184 ins 2002 SL No. 109 s 10 amd 2003 SL No. 102 s 24; 2004 SL No. 142 s 18 sub 2005 SL No. 308 s 50

#### Catch platform as control measure

s 185 ins 2002 SL No. 109 s 10 amd 2002 SL No. 232 s 10; 2004 SL No. 142 s 19 sub 2005 SL No. 308 s 50

# Chief executive may ask general manager of Queensland Building Services Authority for relevant information

s **185A** ins 2004 SL No. 256 s 3 om 2005 SL No. 308 s 50

#### Gantry as control measure

s 186 ins 2002 SL No. 109 s 10 sub 2005 SL No. 308 s 50

### Load lifted over adjoining area

s 187 ins 2002 SL No. 109 s 10 sub 2005 SL No. 308 s 50

#### Fall arresting platform

s **187A** ins 2004 SL No. 142 s 20 om 2005 SL No. 308 s 50

#### Closure of part or all of adjoining area

**s 188** ins 2002 SL No. 109 s 10

amd 2002 SL No. 232 s 11; 2004 SL No. 142 s 21

sub 2005 SL No. 308 s 50

#### Subdivision 12—Principal contractor's obligation for amenities

**sdiv hdg** ins 2005 SL No. 308 s 50

#### **Amenities**

**s 189** ins 2002 SL No. 109 s 10

amd 2004 SL No. 142 s 22 sub 2005 SL No. 308 s 50

#### **Division 3—Relevant persons**

**div hdg** ins 2002 SL No. 109 s 10

sub 2005 SL No. 308 s 50

#### Subdivision 1—Preliminary

**sdiv hdg** ins 2002 SL No. 109 s 10

sub 2005 SL No. 308 s 50

#### Application of div 3

**s 190** ins 2002 SL No. 109 s 10

amd 2003 SL No. 102 s 25 sub 2005 SL No. 308 s 50

#### Subdivision 2—Relevant person's obligation for work method statements

sdiv hdg ins 2002 SL No. 109 s 10 sub 2005 SL No. 308 s 50

# Relevant person to prepare work method statement before starting high risk construction activity

**s 191** ins 2002 SL No. 109 s 10

amd 2003 SL No. 102 s 26 sub 2005 SL No. 308 s 50

### When relevant person not to allow another relevant person to start prescribed activity

**s 192** ins 2002 SL No. 109 s 10

amd 2003 SL No. 102 s 27; 2004 SL No. 142 s 23

sub 2005 SL No. 308 s 50

# When relevant person who is employer not to allow worker to start high risk construction activity

**s 193** ins 2002 SL No. 109 s 10

amd 2003 SL No. 102 s 28; 2004 SL No. 142 s 24

sub 2005 SL No. 308 s 50

# High risk construction activity not to be performed unless in compliance with work method statement

**s 194** ins 2002 SL No. 109 s 10

amd 2003 SL No. 102 s 29

sub 2005 SL No. 308 s 50

#### Amendment of work method statement

**s 195** ins 2002 SL No. 109 s 10

amd 2002 SL No. 232 s 12; 2003 SL No. 102 s 30

sub 2005 SL No. 308 s 50

#### Availability and review of work method statement

**s 196** ins 2002 SL No. 109 s 10

sub 2005 SL No. 308 s 50

#### Subdivision 3—Relevant person's obligation for general induction evidence

**sdiv hdg** ins 2002 SL No. 109 s 10

sub 2005 SL No. 308 s 50

#### **Definition for sdiv 3**

**s 197** ins 2002 SL No. 109 s 10

sub 2005 SL No. 308 s 50

### Relevant person to hold general induction evidence before starting construction work

**s 198** ins 2002 SL No. 109 s 10

sub 2005 SL No. 308 s 50

# Relevant person who is employer to ensure worker holds general induction evidence before worker starts construction work

**s 199** ins 2002 SL No. 109 s 10

amd 2002 SL No. 232 s 13; 2004 SL No. 142 s 25

sub 2005 SL No. 308 s 50

#### Meaning of "mesh"

**s 199A** ins 2004 SL No. 142 s 26

om 2005 SL No. 308 s 50

#### Subdivision 4—Relevant person's obligation for safe housekeeping practices

**sdiv hdg** ins 2002 SL No. 109 s 10

sub 2005 SL No. 308 s 50

#### Safe housekeeping practices

s **200** ins 2002 SL No. 109 s 10

sub 2005 SL No. 308 s 50

#### Subdivision 5—Relevant person's obligation for common plant

**sdiv hdg** ins 2002 SL No. 109 s 10

sub 2005 SL No. 308 s 50

#### Common plant

**prov hdg** amd 2003 SL No. 102 s 32(1)

**s 201** ins 2002 SL No. 109 s 10

amd 2003 SL No. 102 s 32(2)-(3)

sub 2005 SL No. 308 s 50

#### Subdivision 6—Relevant person's obligation for hazardous substances

**sdiv hdg** ins 2005 SL No. 308 s 50

### Relevant person to give principal contractor details of hazardous substances to be used

s 202 ins 2002 SL No. 109 s 10 sub 2005 SL No. 308 s 50

#### Subdivision 7—Relevant person's obligation for underground services

**sdiv hdg** ins 2005 SL No. 308 s 50

# Risk from contact with underground services—construction work for which there is principal contractor

s 203 ins 2002 SL No. 109 s 10 amd 2003 SL No. 102 s 33 sub 2005 SL No. 308 s 50

# Risk from contact with underground services—construction work for which there is no principal contractor

**prov hdg** amd 2002 SL No. 232 s 14(1) **s 204** ins 2002 SL No. 109 s 10 amd 2002 SL No. 232 s 14(2); 2004 SL No. 142 s 27 sub 2005 SL No. 308 s 50

# Subdivision 8—Relevant person's obligation for excavation work that could reduce the stability of a structure

**sdiv hdg** ins 2005 SL No. 308 s 50

#### Obligation before excavation work starts

s 205 ins 2002 SL No. 109 s 10 sub 2002 SL No. 232 s 15 amd 2004 SL No. 142 s 28 sub 2005 SL No. 308 s 50

#### Perimeter containment screening

s 205A ins 2004 SL No. 142 s 29 om 2005 SL No. 308 s 50

#### **Obligation during excavation work**

s 206 ins 2002 SL No. 109 s 10 sub 2005 SL No. 308 s 50

#### Subdivision 9—Relevant person's obligation for risk from excavations

**sdiv hdg** ins 2005 SL No. 308 s 50

#### Meaning of "competent person" for sdiv 9

s 207 ins 2002 SL No. 109 s 10 amd 2002 SL No. 232 s 16 sub 2005 SL No. 308 s 50

#### Risk from all excavations

**s 208** ins 2002 SL No. 109 s 10

amd 2002 SL No. 232 s 17; 2003 SL No. 102 s 34; 2004 SL No. 142 s 30  $\,$ 

sub 2005 SL No. 308 s 50

#### Risk from working in trench at least 1m deep

s 209 ins 2002 SL No. 109 s 10 sub 2005 SL No. 308 s 50

#### Risk from working in trench more than 1.5m deep

s 210 ins 2002 SL No. 109 s 10 amd 2003 SL No. 102 s 36

sub 2005 SL No. 308 s 50

#### Access by ladders to trench more than 1.5m deep

**s 211** ins 2002 SL No. 109 s 10

amd 2002 SL No. 232 s 18; 2003 SL No. 102 s 37; 2004 SL No. 142 s 31 sub 2005 SL No. 308 s 50

### PART 18—CONSTRUCTION WORK WHERE THERE IS A RISK A PERSON COULD FALL

**pt hdg** ins 2002 SL No. 109 s 10

amd 2003 SL No. 102 s 22 om 2005 SL No. 308 s 50

#### **Division 1—Interpretation**

**div hdg** ins 2002 SL No. 109 s 10 (incl in orig pt 18)

om 2005 SL No. 308 s 50

# Division 2—Ways for employers and self-employed persons to prevent or minimise risk prescribed

**div hdg** ins 2002 SL No. 109 s 10 (incl in orig pt 18) om 2005 SL No. 308 s 50

#### Division 3—Risk of fall in particular circumstances

**div hdg** ins 2002 SL No. 109 s 10 (incl in orig pt 18) om 2005 SL No. 308 s 50

#### Division 4—Requirements about particular control measures

**div hdg** ins 2002 SL No. 109 s 10 (incl in orig pt 18) om 2005 SL No. 308 s 50

#### **Division 5—Ladders**

**div hdg** ins 2002 SL No. 109 s 10 (incl in orig pt 18) om 2005 SL No. 308 s 50

#### Division 6—Platforms supported by trestle ladders

div hdg ins 2002 SL No. 109 s 10 (incl in orig pt 18) om 2005 SL No. 308 s 50

#### **Division 7—Scaffolding**

**div hdg** ins 2002 SL No. 109 s 10 (incl in orig pt 18) om 2005 SL No. 308 s 50

### PART 19—OBJECTS THAT COULD FALL ON OR OTHERWISE HIT MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

**pt hdg** ins 2002 SL No. 109 s 10 om 2005 SL No. 308 s 50

#### **Division 1—Interpretation**

**div hdg** ins 2002 SL No. 109 s 10 (incl in orig pt 19) om 2005 SL No. 308 s 50

### Division 2—Building work, other than housing construction work, and demolition work

**div hdg** ins 2002 SL No. 109 s 10 (incl in orig pt 19) sub 2003 SL No. 102 s 31

om 2005 SL No. 308 s 50

#### Division 3—Housing construction work and civil construction work

**div hdg** ins 2002 SL No. 109 s 10 (incl in orig pt 19)

sub 2003 SL No. 102 s 35 om 2005 SL No. 308 s 50

#### PART 20—GENERAL PROVISIONS FOR PTS 17-19

**pt hdg** ins 2002 SL No. 109 s 10 om 2005 SL No. 308 s 50

#### Events in trench more than 1.5m deep that is not shored, benched or battered

s 212 ins 2002 SL No. 109 s 10 sub 2002 SL No. 232 s 19; 2005 SL No. 308 s 50

### Subdivision 10—Relevant person's obligation for risk of a person falling

**sdiv hdg** ins 2005 SL No. 308 s 50

#### **Definition for sdiv 10**

s 213 ins 2002 SL No. 109 s 10 sub 2005 SL No. 308 s 50

### Risk of fall less than 3m in housing construction work or less than 2m in other construction work or construction work on roof with slope not over 26°

s 214 ins 2002 SL No. 109 s 10 sub 2005 SL No. 308 s 50

# Risk of fall of at least 3m in housing construction work or at least 2m in other construction work or construction work on roof with a slope over 26°

s 215 ins 2002 SL No. 109 s 10 amd 2004 SL No. 142 s 32 sub 2005 SL No. 308 s 50

#### Edge protection as control measure

s 216 prev s 216 ins 2002 SL No. 201 s 4 sub 2004 SL No. 290 s 6 om 2005 SL No. 308 s 51 pres s 216 ins 2005 SL No. 308 s 50

#### Fall protection cover as control measure

s 217 prev s 217 ins 2002 SL No. 201 s 4 sub 2004 SL No. 290 s 6 om 2005 SL No. 308 s 51 pres s 217 ins 2005 SL No. 308 s 50

#### Travel restraint system as control measure

**s 217A** ins 2005 SL No. 308 s 50

### Fall arresting platform as control measure

s 217B ins 2005 SL No. 308 s 50

#### Fall-arrest harness system as control measure

**s 217C** ins 2005 SL No. 308 s 50

#### Industrial safety net as control measure

s 217D ins 2005 SL No. 308 s 50

### Subdivision 11—Relevant person's obligation for ladders

sdiv 11 (ss 217E-217G) ins 2005 SL No. 308 s 50

### Subdivision 12—Relevant person's obligation for platforms supported by trestle ladders

sdiv 12 (ss 217H-217I) ins 2005 SL No. 308 s 50

#### Subdivision 13—Relevant person's obligation for scaffolding

sdiv 13 (ss 217J-217L) ins 2005 SL No. 308 s 50

#### Subdivision 14—Relevant person's obligation for falling objects

sdiv 14 (ss 217M-217N) ins 2005 SL No. 308 s 50

#### Subdivision 15—Relevant person's obligation for first aid

sdiv 15 (s 217O) ins 2005 SL No. 308 s 50

#### **Division 4—Workers**

div 4 (ss 217P-217O) ins 2005 SL No. 308 s 50

### Division 5—General provisions about control measures and plant for pt 17

div 5 (ss 217R-217U) ins 2005 SL No. 308 s 50

### Division 6—Chief executive may ask for information from Queensland Building Services Authority

div 6 (ss 217V-217W) ins 2005 SL No. 308 s 50

#### PART 21—AMENITIES—WORK THAT IS NOT CONSTRUCTION WORK

**pt hdg** sub 2004 SL No. 290 s 6; 2005 SL No. 308 s 17 sch

#### Amenities for rural industry work

s 218 ins 2002 SL No. 201 s 4 sub 2004 SL No. 290 s 6

#### Amenities for work that is not construction work or rural industry work

s 219 ins 2002 SL No. 201 s 4 sub 2004 SL No. 290 s 6

#### **Maintenance of amenities**

**s 220** ins 2002 SL No. 201 s 4

sub 2004 SL No. 290 s 6 amd 2005 SL No. 308 s 52

### Division 1—Definition for pt 21

div hdg ins 2002 SL No. 201 s 4 (incl in orig pt 21)

sub 2004 SL No. 290 s 6 om 2005 SL No. 308 s 51

#### **Division 2—Principal contractors**

**div hdg** ins 2002 SL No. 201 s 4 (incl in orig pt 21)

sub 2004 SL No. 290 s 6 om 2005 SL No. 308 s 51

#### **Division 3—Employers**

**div hdg** ins 2004 SL No. 290 s 6 (incl in orig pt 21)

om 2005 SL No. 308 s 17 sch

### Division 4—Principal contractors and employers—maintenance of particular amenities

**div hdg** ins 2004 SL No. 290 s 6 (incl in orig pt 21)

om 2005 SL No. 308 s 17 sch

# PART 21A—EMPLOYERS—REQUIREMENTS FOR BUILDING PROVIDED FOR WORKER TO OCCUPY WHEN PERFORMING WORK THAT IS NOT CONSTRUCTION WORK OR RURAL INDUSTRY WORK

**pt hdg** ins 2004 SL No. 290 s 6

#### Ventilation, lighting, floor area and air space for building

s 221 ins 2002 SL No. 201 s 4 sub 2004 SL No. 290 s 6

#### PART 21B—EMPLOYERS—ATMOSPHERIC CONTAMINANTS

**pt hdg** ins 2004 SL No. 290 s 6

#### Level of atmospheric contaminants

s 222 ins 2002 SL No. 201 s 4 sub 2004 SL No. 290 s 6

#### PART 21C—FIRST AID

**pt hdg** ins 2004 SL No. 290 s 6

amd 2005 SL No. 308 s 17 sch

**note prec s 223** om 2005 SL No. 308 s 17 sch

#### **Employers—work other than construction work**

**prov hdg** sub 2005 SL No. 308 s 53(1)

s 223 ins 2002 SL No. 201 s 4 sub 2004 SL No. 290 s 6

amd 2005 SL No. 308 s 53

#### Employers—workers performing rural industry work

s **224** ins 2002 SL No. 201 s 4 sub 2004 SL No. 290 s 6

#### Self-employed persons performing construction work

**s 225** ins 2002 SL No. 201 s 4

sub 2004 SL No. 290 s 6 om 2005 SL No. 308 s 17 sch

#### PART 21D—WORKPLACE HEALTH AND SAFETY CONTRIBUTIONS

**pt hdg** ins 2005 SL No. 308 s 54

#### Purpose of pt 21D

**s 226** prev s 226 ins 2002 SL No. 201 s 4

om 2004 SL No. 290 s 6

pres s 226 ins 2005 SL No. 308 s 54

#### Amount of workplace health and safety contribution

**s 227** prev s 227 ins 2002 SL No. 201 s 4

om 2004 SL No. 290 s 6

pres s 227 ins 2005 SL No. 308 s 54

#### First aid

s 228

ins 2002 SL No. 201 s 4 om 2004 SL No. 290 s 6

#### PART 22—MISCELLANEOUS

pt hdg

(prev pt 17 hdg (orig pt 16 hdg)) renum 1999 SL No. 110 s 14(1); 2002 SL No. 109 s 9(1)

#### **Rural industry exemption**

s 229

(prev s 167 (orig s 146)) renum 1999 SL No. 110 s 14(2) amd 2001 SL No. 100 s 5 renum 2002 SL No. 109 s 9(2) amd 2002 SL No. 201 s 5; 2003 SL No. 68 s 5; 2005 SL No. 308 s 55

### Time for giving workplace health and safety undertaking

**s 229A** ins 2004 SL No. 289 s 30

#### Appeal against decision of Authority

s 230

(prev s 168 (orig s 147)) renum 1999 SL No. 110 s 14(2); 2002 SL No. 109 s 9(2)

#### PART 23—TRANSITIONAL PROVISIONS

**pt hdg** ins 2002 SL No. 109 s 11

#### Division 1—Pc's workplace plan and pc's demolition work plan

**div hdg** ins 2004 SL No. 290 s 7

### Transitional provision for pc's workplace plan and pc's demolition work plan

**s 231** ins 2002 SL No. 109 s 11

#### Division 2—Induction for specified work

**div hdg** ins 2004 SL No. 290 s 8

### Transitional provision for Workplace Health and Safety induction for specified work

s 232 ins 2002 SL No. 109 s 11

#### Division 3—Certificates of registration of registrable plant design

**div hdg** ins 2004 SL No. 290 s 9

### Transitional provision for Workplace Health and Safety Amendment Regulation (No.

1) 2004—applications for certificate of registration of registrable plant design

**s 233** ins 2004 SL No. 142 s 33

### Transitional provision for Workplace Health and Safety Amendment Regulation (No.

1) 2004—certificates of registration of registrable plant design

**s 234** ins 2004 SL No. 142 s 33

# Division 4—Certain amenities complying, or leased or acquired, immediately before 1 January 2005

div 4 (ss 235-239) ins 2004 SL No. 290 s 10

# Division 5—Transitional provisions for Workers' Compensation and Rehabilitation and Other Legislation Amendment Regulation (No. 1) 2005

**div hdg** ins 2005 SL No. 308 s 56

#### Certificates to work in prescribed occupation—self-erecting tower cranes

s 240 ins 2005 SL No. 308 s 56 amd 2007 SL No. 12 s 7 (retro)

#### Construction work—construction safety plans

**s 241** ins 2005 SL No. 308 s 56

#### Construction work—general induction evidence before 1 January 2006

**s 242** ins 2005 SL No. 308 s 56

### Construction work—general induction evidence from 1 January 2006

s 243 ins 2005 SL No. 308 s 56 amd 2006 SL No. 312 s 4

#### **SCHEDULE 1—FEES**

sch hdg sub 1999 SL No. 110 s 15; 2000 SL No. 313 s 4; 2002 SL No. 313 s 4; 2003 SL No. 235 s 8; 2004 SL No. 289 s 31; 2005 SL No. 308 s 57; 2006 SL No. 312 s 5

#### Notification of building and construction work

s 1 sub 1999 SL No. 110 s 15; 2000 SL No. 313 s 4 amd 2001 SL No. 219 s 4(1) sub 2002 SL No. 313 s 4; 2003 SL No. 235 s 8; 2004 SL No. 289 s 31; 2005 SL No. 308 s 57; 2006 SL No. 312 s 5

### Registration, or renewal of certificate of registration, of registrable plant

s 2 amd 1998 SL No. 318 s 6 sub 1999 SL No. 110 s 15; 2000 SL No. 313 s 4; 2002 SL No. 313 s 4; 2003 SL No. 235 s 8; 2004 SL No. 289 s 31; 2005 SL No. 308 s 57; 2006 SL No. 312 s 5

#### Application for a certificate of registration of registrable plant design

s 3 sub 1999 SL No. 110 s 15; 2000 SL No. 313 s 4 amd 2001 SL No. 219 s 4(2) sub 2002 SL No. 313 s 4; 2003 SL No. 235 s 8 amd 2004 SL No. 142 s 34(1)–(2) sub 2004 SL No. 289 s 31; 2005 SL No. 308 s 57; 2006 SL No. 312 s 5

#### Certificates—prescribed occupations and workplace health and safety officers

s 4 sub 1999 SL No. 110 s 15; 2000 SL No. 313 s 4 amd 2001 SL No. 219 s 4(3) sub 2002 SL No. 313 s 4; 2003 SL No. 235 s 8; 2004 SL No. 142 s 34(3); 2004 SL No. 289 s 31; 2005 SL No. 308 s 57; 2006 SL No. 312 s 5

#### Certificates—prescribed activities

s 5 sub 1999 SL No. 110 s 15; 2000 SL No. 313 s 4 amd 2001 SL No. 219 s 4(4) sub 2002 SL No. 313 s 4; 2003 SL No. 235 s 8; 2004 SL No. 289 s 31; 2005 SL No. 308 s 57; 2006 SL No. 312 s 5

#### **Certificates—prescribed activities**

s **5A** ins 2000 SL No. 288 s 12 om 2002 SL No. 313 s 4

#### Certificate of appointment as an accredited provider

s 6 sub 1999 SL No. 110 s 15 (amd 1999 SL No. 276 s 8); 2000 SL No. 288 s 12; 2000 SL No. 313 s 4 amd 2001 SL No. 219 s 4(5) sub 2002 SL No. 313 s 4; 2003 SL No. 235 s 8; 2004 SL No. 289 s 31; 2005 SL No. 308 s 57; 2006 SL No. 312 s 5

# Report about occupational health and safety performance for Workers' Compensation Act

s 7 ins 2000 SL No. 288 s 12 (amd 1999 SL No. 276 s 8) sub 1999 SL No. 216 s 3; 2000 SL No. 313 s 4 amd 2001 SL No. 219 s 4(6) sub 2002 SL No. 313 s 4; 2003 SL No. 235 s 8; 2004 SL No. 289 s 31; 2005 SL No. 308 s 57; 2006 SL No. 312 s 5

# Report about occupational health and safety performance for the Workers' Compensation and Rehabilitation Act 2003

prov hdg s md 2003 SL No. 119 s 121 sch 7 ins 2000 SL No. 313 s 4 amd 2001 SL No. 219 s 4(7) sub 2002 SL No. 313 s 4 amd 2003 SL No. 119 s 121 sch 7 sub 2003 SL No. 235 s 8 om 2004 SL No. 289 s 31

#### SCHEDULE 2—ACCREDITED COURSES

om 2004 SL No. 289 s 31 ins 2005 SL No. 308 s 58 amd 2007 SL No. 12 s 8

#### SCHEDULE 3—REGISTRABLE PLANT

amd 2003 SL No. 169 s 14; 2004 SL No. 142 s 35 sub 2004 SL No. 289 s 31 amd 2005 SL No. 308 s 59

#### SCHEDULE 4—REGISTRABLE PLANT DESIGN

 sch hdg
 sub 2005 SL No. 308 s 60(1)

 sch 4
 sub 2004 SL No. 142 s 36

 amd 2004 SL No. 289 s 32; 2005 SL No. 308 s 60(2)

### SCHEDULE 5—PRESCRIBED OCCUPATIONS

amd 2000 SL No. 288 s 13; 2000 SL No. 288 s 19; 2002 SL No. 232 s 20; 2004 SL No. 142 s 37; 2005 SL No. 308 s 61

#### SCHEDULE 5A—PRESCRIBED ACTIVITIES

ins 2000 SL No. 288 s 14 om 2005 SL No. 308 s 17 sch

# SCHEDULE 7—PROHIBITED SUBSTANCES, PROHIBITED ACM AND PROHIBITED PURPOSES

sub 2003 SL No. 235 s 9; 2005 SL No. 308 s 62

### SCHEDULE 8A—PRINCIPAL CONTRACTORS—PARTICULAR AMENITIES FOR CONSTRUCTION WORK

sch hdg ins 2004 SL No. 290 s 11 sch 8A amd 2005 SL No. 308 s 17 sch

note prec pt 1 om 2005 SL No. 308 s 17 sch

#### PART 1—DEFINITION FOR SCH 8A

**pt hdg** ins 2004 SL No. 290 s 11

**Definition** 

**s 1** ins 2004 SL No. 290 s 11

def "construction person" sub 2005 SL No. 308 s 17 sch

#### PART 2—TOILETS

**pt hdg** ins 2004 SL No. 290 s 11

**Toilets** 

s 2 ins 2004 SL No. 290 s 11 amd 2005 SL No. 308 s 17 sch

#### When toilet must be connected toilet or portable toilet

**s 3** ins 2004 SL No. 290 s 11

#### Privacy, ventilation and toilet paper

s 4 ins 2004 SL No. 290 s 11

#### PART 3—OTHER AMENITIES

pt hdg ins 2004 SL No. 290 s 11

#### Room, or sheltered area, to eat meals in

s 5 ins 2004 SL No. 290 s 11 amd 2005 SL No. 308 s 17 sch

#### Hands and face washing facilities

s 6 ins 2004 SL No. 290 s 11 amd 2005 SL No. 308 s 17 sch

#### **Drinking water**

s 7 ins 2004 SL No. 290 s 11 amd 2005 SL No. 308 s 17 sch

# SCHEDULE 8B—EMPLOYERS—PARTICULAR AMENITIES FOR RURAL INDUSTRY WORK

**sch hdg** ins 2004 SL No. 290 s 11

note prec pt 1 om 2005 SL No. 308 s 17 sch

#### PART 1—TOILETS FOR WORKERS AND EMPLOYER

**pt hdg** ins 2004 SL No. 290 s 11

**Toilets** 

s 1 ins 2004 SL No. 290 s 11 amd 2005 SL No. 308 s 17 sch

#### PART 2—OTHER AMENITIES FOR WORKERS

pt 2 (ss 2-5) ins 2004 SL No. 290 s 11

# SCHEDULE 8C—EMPLOYERS—PARTICULAR AMENITIES FOR WORK THAT IS NOT CONSTRUCTION WORK OR RURAL INDUSTRY WORK

**sch hdg** ins 2004 SL No. 290 s 11

**note prec pt 1** om 2005 SL No. 308 s 17 sch

#### PART 1—APPLICATION OF SCH 8C

**pt 1 (s 1)** ins 2004 SL No. 290 s 11

### PART 2—EXPLANATION OF APPLIED BCA PROVISIONS OR APPLIED QDC PROVISIONS USED FOR PT 3 OR SCH 8D

**pt hdg** ins 2004 SL No. 290 s 11

#### **Definitions for pt 2**

s 2 ins 2004 SL No. 290 s 11

def "Building Code of Australia" amd 2006 SL No. 227 s 81(1) def "Queensland Development Code" sub 2006 SL No. 227 s 81(2)

#### Purpose of applied BCA or applied QDC provisions

s 3 ins 2004 SL No. 290 s 11

#### Changes to the text of BCA or QDC in modified provision

**s 4** ins 2004 SL No. 290 s 11

#### Interpretation of applied BCA or applied QDC provisions

s 5 ins 2004 SL No. 290 s 11

## PART 3—IF WORKER IS AT WORKPLACE WHERE EMPLOYER PROVIDES NON-CLASS 10 BUILDING FOR WORKERS TO OCCUPY

**pt hdg** ins 2004 SL No. 290 s 11

#### Division 1—Application of pt 3

div 1 (s 6) ins 2004 SL No. 290 s 11

#### Division 2—Toilets, and hands and face washing facilities

**div hdg** ins 2004 SL No. 290 s 11

Subdivision 1—If the building is a class 1b building or employer's domestic premises sdiv 1 (ss 7–8) ins 2004 SL No. 290 s 11

### Subdivision 2—If the building is a particular class of building and not employer's domestic premises

**sdiv hdg** ins 2004 SL No. 290 s 11

#### Application of subdiv 2

**s 9** ins 2004 SL No. 290 s 11

### Toilets, and hands and face washing facilities

s 10 ins 2004 SL No. 290 s 11 amd 2005 SL No. 308 s 17 sch

#### Performance requirements to be complied with

**s 11** ins 2004 SL No. 290 s 11

#### How to comply with performance requirements

**s 12** ins 2004 SL No. 290 s 11

#### Location of toilet

s 13 ins 2004 SL No. 290 s 11 amd 2005 SL No. 308 s 17 sch

#### Toilet paper and disposal of female sanitary items

**s 14** ins 2004 SL No. 290 s 11

#### Hands and face washing facilities to include soap, water and hands drying facilities

s **15** ins 2004 SL No. 290 s 11

**Division 3—Dining facilities** 

div 3 (ss 16-19) ins 2004 SL No. 290 s 11

### Division 4—Dressing room facilities

div 4 (ss 20-21) ins 2004 SL No. 290 s 11

**Division 5—Drinking Water** 

div 5 (ss 22-23) ins 2004 SL No. 290 s 11

Division 6—Other amenities

div 6 (ss 24–25) ins 2004 SL No. 290 s 11

### PART 4—IF WORKER IS NOT AT WORKPLACE WHERE EMPLOYER PROVIDES NON-CLASS 10 BUILDING FOR WORKERS TO OCCUPY

**pt hdg** ins 2004 SL No. 290 s 11

Application of pt 4

s 26 ins 2004 SL No. 290 s 11

**Toilets** 

**s 27** ins 2004 SL No. 290 s 11

amd 2005 SL No. 308 s 17 sch

Sheltered area to eat meals in

s 28 ins 2004 SL No. 290 s 11

amd 2005 SL No. 308 s 17 sch

**Drinking water** 

**s 29** ins 2004 SL No. 290 s 11

Hands washing facilities

s 30 ins 2004 SL No. 290 s 11

Showers

**s 31** ins 2004 SL No. 290 s 11

# SCHEDULE 8D—EMPLOYERS—REQUIREMENTS FOR BUILDING PROVIDED FOR WORKER TO OCCUPY WHEN PERFORMING WORK THAT IS NOT CONSTRUCTION WORK OR RURAL INDUSTRY WORK

**sch hdg** ins 2004 SL No. 290 s 11

#### PART 1—APPLICATION OF SCH 8D

**pt hdg** ins 2004 SL No. 290 s 11

#### Application of sch 8D

**s 1** ins 2004 SL No. 290 s 11

amd 2005 SL No. 308 s 17 sch

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PART 2—VENTILATION
pt hdg
          ins 2004 SL No. 290 s 11
Ventilation
          ins 2004 SL No. 290 s 11
s 2
How to comply with performance requirements
          ins 2004 SL No. 290 s 11
s3
PART 3—LIGHTING
pt hdg
          ins 2004 SL No. 290 s 11
Lighting
s 4
          ins 2004 SL No. 290 s 11
PART 4—FLOOR AREA AND AIR SPACE
pt hdg
          ins 2004 SL No. 290 s 11
Floor area and air space
s 5
          ins 2004 SL No. 290 s 11
SCHEDULE 8E—APPLIED BCA PROVISIONS
          ins 2004 SL No. 290 s 11
          amd 2006 SL No. 246 s 90(2) sch 2
SCHEDULE 8F—APPLIED QDC PROVISIONS
          ins 2004 SL No. 290 s 11
SCHEDULE 9—DICTIONARY
          def "ACM" ins 2005 SL No. 308 s 63(3)
          def "agreement" ins 2004 SL No. 290 s 12
          def "anchorage point" ins 2002 SL No. 109 s 12(2)
             sub 2005 SL No. 308 s 63(2)–(3)
          def "applied BCA provision" ins 2004 SL No. 290 s 12
          def "applied QDC provision" ins 2004 SL No. 290 s 12
          def "appropriately qualified person" ins 2000 SL No. 249 s 10
             om 2005 SL No. 308 s 63(2)
          def "approved criteria" sub 1999 SL No. 276 s 6
          def "asbestos" om 2005 SL No. 308 s 63(1)
          def "asbestos fibre" om 2005 SL No. 308 s 63(2)
          def "asbestos management code" ins 2005 SL No. 308 s 63(3)
          def "asbestos materials" om 2005 SL No. 308 s 63(1)
          def "asbestos product" om 2005 SL No. 308 s 63(2)
          def "asbestos removal area" om 2005 SL No. 308 s 63(2)
          def "asbestos removal code" ins 2005 SL No. 308 s 63(3)
          def "asbestos removalist" sub 2000 SL No. 288 s 20: 2005 SL No. 308 s
          def "asbestos removal site" om 2005 SL No. 308 s 63(2)
          def "asbestos removal work" om 2005 SL No. 308 s 63(1)
          def "AS" or "AS/NZS" om 2001 SL No. 100 s 6(1)
          def "AS/NZS" ins 2001 SL No. 100 s 6(2)
          def "Australian Qualifications Framework" ins 2005 SL No. 70 s 6(2)
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def "Australian Quality Training Framework" ins 2002 SL No. 109 s 12(2)

om 2005 SL No. 308 s 63(2)

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def "barricade" ins 2002 SL No. 109 s 12(2)
def "barricade", for part 17, ins 2005 SL No. 308 s 63(3)
def "BCA" ins 2004 SL No. 290 s 12
def "biological monitoring" amd 2004 SL No. 142 s 38(3)
def "boiler" ins 2004 SL No. 289 s 33(2)
def "boom-type elevating work platform" ins 2004 SL No. 142 s 38(2)
def "bottom mix" ins 2001 SL No. 166 s 17(1)
def "bottom time" ins 2001 SL No. 166 s 17(1)
def "bridge crane" ins 2004 SL No. 142 s 38(2)
def "building" ins 2004 SL No. 290 s 12
  amd 2006 SL No. 227 s 82
def "Building Code of Australia" ins 2004 SL No. 290 s 12
def "building maintenance unit" sub 2004 SL No. 142 s 37(1)–(2)
def "caisson" ins 2002 SL No. 109 s 12(2)
  sub 2005 SL No. 308 s 63(2)–(3)
def "catch platform" ins 2002 SL No. 109 s 12(2)
  sub 2005 SL No. 308 s 63(2)–(3)
def "civil construction work" ins 2005 SL No. 308 s 63(3)
def "class" ins 2004 SL No. 290 s 12
def "cofferdam" ins 2002 SL No. 109 s 12(2)
  sub 2005 SL No. 308 s 63(2)–(3)
def "common plant" ins 2002 SL No. 109 s 12(2)
  sub 2005 SL No. 308 s 63(2)–(3)
def "competent person" sub 1999 SL No. 110 s 16(2); 2002 SL No. 260 s
  235 sch 7
  amd 2002 SL No. 261 s 7(2)
  sub 2003 SL No. 102 s 38; 2005 SL No. 70 s 6(1)-(2)
  amd 2005 SL No. 308 s 63(4)
def "competent person", for parts 17 and 18, ins 2002 SL No. 109 s
  12(2)
  om 2002 SL No. 260 s 235 sch 7
def "confined space" sub 2002 SL No. 182 s 6
def "construction diving work" ins 2005 SL No. 70 s 6(2)
def "construction person" ins 2004 SL No. 290 s 12
def "construction safety plan" ins 2005 SL No. 308 s 63(3)
def "construction-type work" ins 2002 SL No. 109 s 12(2)
  om 2003 SL No. 102 s 38(1)
def "construction wiring" ins 1999 SL No. 110 s 16(1)
  om 2002 SL No. 260 s 235 sch 7
def "construction work" ins 2002 SL No. 109 s 12(2)
  om 2003 SL No. 102 s 38(1)
def "construction workplace" om 2005 SL No. 308 s 63(1)
def "construction workplace plan" ins 2002 SL No. 109 s 12(2)
  om 2005 SL No. 308 s 63(2)
def "containment barrier" om 2005 SL No. 308 s 63(2)
def "containment device" om 2005 SL No. 308 s 63(1)
def "control measure" ins 2005 SL No. 308 s 63(3)
def "control measures" om 2002 SL No. 109 s 12(1)
def "cord extension set" ins 1999 SL No. 110 s 16(1)
  om 2002 SL No. 260 s 235 sch 7
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def "corresponding law" ins 2004 SL No. 142 s 38(2)
def "crane" sub 2004 SL No. 142 s 38(1)–(2)
def "current" om 2005 SL No. 70 s 6(1)
def "C-weighted" ins 2005 SL No. 308 s 63(3)
def "dangerous goods" ins 2004 SL No. 142 s 38(2)
def "dB(C)" ins 2002 SL No. 7 s 5(2)
def "dB(lin)" om 2002 SL No. 7 s 5(1)
def "decompression diving" ins 2001 SL No. 166 s 17(1)
def "designated doctor" amd 2002 SL No. 31 s 16 sch 4; 2002 SL No. 80 s
   10 sch 3
def "designated hazardous substance" sub 1999 SL No. 276 s 6
def "design verification statement" ins 2004 SL No. 142 s 38(2)
  sub 2005 SL No. 308 s 63(2)–(3)
def "dismantle" ins 2000 SL No. 249 s 10
  om 2005 SL No. 308 s 63(2)
def "dive supervisor" ins 2005 SL No. 70 s 6(2)
def "dive time" ins 2001 SL No. 166 s 17(1)
def "EANx" ins 2001 SL No. 166 s 17(1)
def "edge protection" ins 2002 SL No. 109 s 12(2)
  sub 2005 SL No. 308 s 63(2)–(3)
def "electrical equipment" ins 1999 SL No. 110 s 16(1)
  om 2002 SL No. 260 s 235 sch 7
def "electrical work" ins 1999 SL No. 110 s 16(1)
   om 2002 SL No. 260 s 235 sch 7
def "electrical worker" ins 1999 SL No. 110 s 16(1)
  om 2002 SL No. 260 s 235 sch 7
def "electricity entity" ins 1999 SL No. 110 s 16(1)
  om 2002 SL No. 260 s 235 sch 7
def "engineer" ins 2002 SL No. 109 s 12(2)
  amd 2004 SL No. 142 s 38(4)
def "engineering principles" ins 2004 SL No. 142 s 38(2)
  sub 2005 SL No. 308 s 63(2)–(3)
def "essential plant" ins 2000 SL No. 249 s 10
  om 2005 SL No. 308 s 63(2)
def "excavation" ins 2002 SL No. 109 s 12(2)
  sub 2005 SL No. 308 s 63(2)–(3)
def "excavation work" ins 2002 SL No. 109 s 12(2)
   sub 2005 SL No. 308 s 63(2)–(3)
def "exempt tractor" ins 2003 SL No. 68 s 6
def "exposed" amd 2005 SL No. 308 s 17 sch
def "fall-arrest harness system" ins 2002 SL No. 109 s 12(2)
   sub 2005 SL No. 308 s 63(2)–(3)
def "fall arresting platform" ins 2005 SL No. 308 s 63(3)
def "fall protection cover" ins 2002 SL No. 109 s 12(2)
  sub 2005 SL No. 308 s 63(2)–(3)
def "fired heater" ins 2004 SL No. 289 s 33(2)
def "formerly complying amenity" ins 2004 SL No. 290 s 12
def "formerly complying dressing room" ins 2004 SL No. 290 s 12
def "formerly complying lunch room" ins 2004 SL No. 290 s 12
def "formerly complying toilet" ins 2004 SL No. 290 s 12
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def "free fall" ins 2002 SL No. 109 s 12(2)
  om 2005 SL No. 308 s 63(2)
def "gantry" ins 2002 SL No. 109 s 12(2)
  sub 2005 SL No. 308 s 63(2)–(3)
def "gantry crane" ins 2004 SL No. 142 s 38(2)
def "general induction card" ins 2002 SL No. 109 s 12(2)
  sub 2002 SL No. 232 s 21(1)
  amd 2004 SL No. 142 s 38(5)
def "general induction evidence" ins 2002 SL No. 109 s 12(2)
  amd 2002 SL No. 232 s 21(2); 2004 SL No. 142 s 38(5); 2005 SL No. 308
  s 17 sch
def "general induction training course" ins 2002 SL No. 109 s 12(2)
  amd 2004 SL No. 142 s 38(6)
def "geo-technical engineer" ins 2002 SL No. 109 s 12(2)
  sub 2005 SL No. 308 s 63(2)–(3)
def "hazardous service" om 2005 SL No. 308 s 63(2)
def "hazardous substance" sub 2005 SL No. 308 s 63(2)–(3)
def "high risk construction activity" ins 2002 SL No. 109 s 12(2)
   sub 2005 SL No. 308 s 63(2)–(3)
def "historical activity" ins 2004 SL No. 142 s 38(2)
def "hoarding" ins 2002 SL No. 109 s 12(2)
  sub 2005 SL No. 308 s 63(2)–(3)
def "housing construction work" ins 2002 SL No. 109 s 12(2)
   sub 2005 SL No. 308 s 63(2)–(3)
def "ladder" ins 2002 SL No. 109 s 12(2)
  sub 2005 SL No. 308 s 63(2)–(3)
def "light work" ins 2002 SL No. 109 s 12(2)
  amd 2002 SL No. 232 s 21(3)
  sub 2005 SL No. 308 s 63(2)–(3)
def "limited free fall" ins 2002 SL No. 109 s 12(2)
  om 2005 SL No. 308 s 63(2)
def "low voltage supply" ins 1999 SL No. 110 s 16(1)
   om 2002 SL No. 260 s 235 sch 7
def "mast climbing work platform" ins 2004 SL No. 142 s 38(2)
def "master" ins 2001 SL No. 166 s 17(1)
def "maximum operating depth" ins 2001 SL No. 166 s 17(1)
def "mesh" ins 2004 SL No. 142 s 38(2)
   sub 2005 SL No. 308 s 63(2)–(3)
def "minimum operating depth" ins 2001 SL No. 166 s 17(1)
def "mixed gas" ins 2001 SL No. 166 s 17(1)
def "mobile crane" ins 2004 SL No. 289 s 33(2)
def "national standard" sub 2003 SL No. 102 s 38
def "NICNAS summary report" amd 2001 SL No. 166 s 17(2)
def "object" ins 2002 SL No. 109 s 12(2)
  sub 2005 SL No. 308 s 63(2)–(3)
def "overhead platform" ins 2002 SL No. 109 s 12(2)
   sub 2005 SL No. 308 s 63(2)–(3)
def "owner" ins 2000 SL No. 249 s 10
  om 2005 SL No. 308 s 63(1)
def "people mover" amd 2004 SL No. 289 s 33(3)
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def "perimeter containment screening" ins 2002 SL No. 109 s 12(2)
  sub 2005 SL No. 308 s 63(2)–(3)
def "permitted work" ins 2002 SL No. 109 s 12(2)
  sub 2005 SL No. 308 s 63(2)–(3)
def "personnel hoist" ins 2004 SL No. 142 s 38(2)
  amd 2005 SL No. 308 s 17 sch
def "platform" ins 2002 SL No. 109 s 12(2)
  om 2005 SL No. 308 s 63(1)
def "plug" ins 1999 SL No. 110 s 16(1)
  sub 2002 SL No. 39 s 5(1)
  om 2002 SL No. 260 s 235 sch 7
def "portable generator" ins 1999 SL No. 110 s 16(1)
  om 2002 SL No. 260 s 235 sch 7
def "portable outlet device" ins 1999 SL No. 110 s 16(1)
  sub 2002 SL No. 39 s 5(1)
  om 2002 SL No. 260 s 235 sch 7
def "prefabricated scaffolding" ins 2004 SL No. 142 s 38(2)
def "prescribed activity" ins 2000 SL No. 288 s 15(2)
  om 2005 SL No. 308 s 63(1)
def "prescribed information" ins 2002 SL No. 109 s 12(2)
  sub 2005 SL No. 308 s 63(2)–(3)
def "prescribed occupation" sub 2000 SL No. 288 s 15
def "pressure piping" ins 2004 SL No. 289 s 33(2)
def "pressure vessel" ins 2004 SL No. 289 s 33(2)
def "process" ins 2002 SL No. 261 s 7(1)
  sub 2005 SL No. 70 s 6(1)–(2)
def "ODC" ins 2004 SL No. 290 s 12
def "Queensland Development Code" ins 2004 SL No. 290 s 12
def "reasonably available" ins 2004 SL No. 290 s 12
  sub 2005 SL No. 308 s 63(2)–(3)
def "rebreather" ins 2001 SL No. 166 s 17(1)
def "recreational diving" ins 1999 SL No. 233 s 5
   amd 2001 SL No. 166 s 17(3)
def "recreational snorkelling" ins 1999 SL No. 233 s 5
def "recreational technical diving" ins 2001 SL No. 166 s 17(1)
def "refillable gas cylinder" ins 2004 SL No. 142 s 38(2)
def "registered training organisation" ins 2005 SL No. 70 s 6(2)
def "registrable plant design" sub 2004 SL No.142 s 38(1)–(2)
  amd 2004 SL No. 289 s 33(4)
  sub 2005 SL No. 308 ss 63(1), 17 sch
def "registrable workplace" om 2004 SL No. 289 s 33(1)
def "relevant authority" ins 1999 SL No. 110 s 16(1)
def "relevant person" ins 2005 SL No. 308 s 63(3)
def "repetitive dive group" ins 2001 SL No. 166 s 17(1)
def "residual nitrogen" ins 2001 SL No. 166 s 17(1)
def "resort diving" ins 1999 SL No. 233 s 5
   amd 2001 SL No. 166 s 17(4)
def "roll-over protective structure" ins 2003 SL No. 68 s 6
def "scaffolding" sub 2002 SL No. 232 s 21(4)
def "scope of registration" ins 2005 SL No. 70 s 6(2)
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def "self-erecting tower crane" ins 2005 SL No. 308 s 63(3)
def "site-specific induction" ins 2002 SL No. 109 s 12(2)
   sub 2005 SL No. 308 s 63(2)–(3)
def "socket outlet" ins 1999 SL No. 110 s 16(1)
  sub 2002 SL No. 39 s 5(1)
  om 2002 SL No. 260 s 235 sch 7
def "specified amusement device" ins 2004 SL No. 142 s 38(2)
def "specified electrical equipment" ins 1999 SL No. 110 s 16(1)
  amd 2002 SL No. 39 s 5(2)
  om 2002 SL No. 260 s 235 sch 7
def "specified work" om 2002 SL No. 109 s 12(1)
def "spray painting" ins 1999 SL No. 110 s 16(1)
def "spray painting booth" ins 1999 SL No. 110 s 16(1)
def "stand-by diver" ins 2005 SL No. 70 s 6(2)
def "statement of attainment" ins 2005 SL No. 70 s 6(2)
def "static line" ins 2002 SL No. 109 s 12(2)
  sub 2005 SL No. 308 s 63(2)–(3)
def "surface" ins 2002 SL No. 109 s 12(2)
  om 2005 SL No. 308 s 63(1)
def "technical standard" ins 2004 SL No. 142 s 38(2)
  sub 2005 SL No. 308 s 63(2)-(3)
def "time in" ins 2001 SL No. 166 s 17(1)
def "time out" ins 2001 SL No. 166 s 17(1)
def "toe board" ins 2002 SL No. 109 s 12(2)
  om 2005 SL No. 308 s 63(2)
def "tower crane" ins 2004 SL No. 142 s 38(2)
def "tractor" ins 2003 SL No. 68 s 6
def "travel restraint system" ins 2002 SL No. 109 s 12(2)
  sub 2005 SL No. 308 s 63(2)–(3)
def "trench" ins 2002 SL No. 109 s 12(2)
  sub 2005 SL No. 308 s 63(2)–(3)
def "truck-mounted concrete placing unit with boom" ins 2004 SL No. 289
def "type 1 portable residual current device" ins 1999 SL No. 110 s 16(1)
  om 2002 SL No. 260 s 235 sch 7
def "type 1 residual current device" ins 1999 SL No. 110 s 16(1)
  om 2002 SL No. 260 s 235 sch 7
def "type 2 portable residual current device" ins 1999 SL No. 110 s 16(1)
  om 2002 SL No. 260 s 235 sch 7
def "type 2 residual current device" ins 1999 SL No. 110 s 16(1)
  om 2002 SL No. 260 s 235 sch 7
def "underground service" ins 2002 SL No. 109 s 12(2)
   sub 2005 SL No. 308 s 63(2)–(3)
def "underwater diving work" ins 2005 SL No. 70 s 6(2)
def "unweighted" om 2002 SL No. 7 s 5(1)
def "vehicle hoist" ins 2004 SL No. 142 s 38(2)
def "vertical containment sheeting" ins 2002 SL No. 109 s 12(2)
  om 2004 SL No. 142 s 38(1)
def "welder certificate no. 1" om 2000 SL No. 288 s 15(1)
def "welder certificate no. 1E" om 2000 SL No. 288 s 15(1)
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def "welder certificate no. 2" om 2000 SL No. 288 s 15(1)
def "welder certificate no. 3" om 2000 SL No. 288 s 15(1)
def "welder certificate no. 3E" om 2000 SL No. 288 s 15(1)
def "welder certificate no. 4" om 2000 SL No. 288 s 15(1)
def "welder certificate no. 5" om 2000 SL No. 288 s 15(1)
def "welder certificate no. 6" om 2000 SL No. 288 s 15(1)
def "welder certificate no. 7" om 2000 SL No. 288 s 15(1)
def "welder certificate no. 8F" om 2000 SL No. 288 s 15(1)
def "welder certificate no. 8G" om 2000 SL No. 288 s 15(1)
def "welder certificate no. 9" om 2000 SL No. 288 s 15(1)
def "welder certificate no. 10" om 2000 SL No. 288 s 15(1)
def "work activity performer" ins 2005 SL No. 70 s 6(2)
def "work box" ins 2004 SL No. 142 s 38(2)
def "Workers' Compensation Act" ins 2005 SL No. 308 s 63(3)
def "work method statement" ins 2002 SL No. 109 s 12(2)
   sub 2005 SL No. 308 s 63(2)–(3)
def "workplace health and safety plan" om 2002 SL No. 109 s 12(1)
def "work requiring a decompression stop" amd 2003 SL No. 169 s 15
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### 8 Information about retrospectivity

Retrospective amendments that have been consolidated are noted in the list of legislation and list of annotations. Any retrospective amendment that has not been consolidated is noted in footnotes to the text.