

Safety Direct™

The Cost Effective SMS Solution

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Elements of the Safety Direct™ WHS Management System

Safety Direct™ has, as an entry to the WHS Safety Management System, a model WHS Policy that sets objectives, the general steps required and the general expectations of every worker, community member, visitor and contractor.

What is a WHS Policy?

A policy is a statement of intent on how a business or school will manage safety and may include objectives such as:

- Comply with the spirit and intent of the relevant legislation;
- Investigate the cause of every incident and take corrective action; and
- Establish a Work Health and Safety Committee.

This Policy is supported by a range of Procedures to assist in planning, implementing monitoring and reviewing Safety Direct™.

What is a Procedure?

Procedures are sometimes confused with “standard operating procedures” (SOP) which normally address specific hazards whilst operating specific equipment. For example, Brushcutter, spray painting and vehicle hoist SOPs are intended for the end

user to reference prior to use, maintenance/servicing or adjustment. Safety Direct™ has over 60 Safe Operating Procedures that provide specific guidance on the safe use / operation of a range of workplace tools and equipment.

As for the Procedures in Safety Direct™, some deal with managing parts of the System while others deal with hazards relating to the work environment or equipment. Where required, the Procedure references other parts of the Safety Direct™ system. For example, there are a range of associated forms that will assist you in ‘proving’ compliance to specific legislative requirements and these are supported by training modules (Take 5’s) that can be used in training one or many workers in specifics of the Safety Management System or hazards in the workplace.

More Information?

So next time you are seeking information on a safety aspect, please refer to the Safety Direct™ documentation where you will find guidance on dealing with hazards in the workplace. Should you have any issues with information contained in Safety Direct™, we welcome your feedback, so feel free to contact our office to discuss your thoughts. Together we can work towards providing safer workplaces and methods of performing work.

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