



SAFE WORK PRACTICE

TITLE	Confined Space Entry
GENERAL	Protecting workers from injuries associated with working in confined spaces
APPLICATION	Primary function is something other than human occupancy: and – has restricted entry and exit; and may contain potential or known hazards.
PROTECTIVE MECHANISMS	Safe job procedure Permit system PPE Site specific entry program ERP (Emergency Response Plan)
SELECTION AND USE	As per job requirement and site specific entry
SUPERVISOR RESPONSIBILITY	To facilitate and/or provide proper instruction to their workers on protection requirements including Confined Space Entry and Emergency Egress procedures
WORKER RESPONSIBILITY	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Must be competent in confined space entry to identify the work procedures required to enter the confined space.2. Ensure there is reasonable means exit from all parts of the confined space.3. Ensure that ventilation and purging is established and allows acceptable air levels to be achieved and maintained.4. Establish method of communication to allow immediate contact with necessary personnel if rescue or assistance is required, confirm alarm system.5. Must be trained in H2S Alive or equivalent (if required).6. Before entry, the vessel or confined space must be tested by a competent worker wearing breathing apparatus, for oxygen content, combustible gas (L.E.L.) and hydrogen sulfide.7. Continuous monitoring may be required of the vessel or confined space atmosphere.8. Must be conversant with Rescue Procedures.

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