

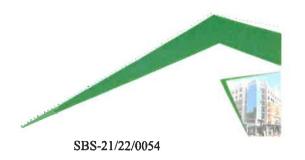


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# OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH AND SAFETY SPECIFICATION

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#### 1. PREAMBLE

In terms of Construction Regulation 4(1)(a) of the Occupational Health and Safety Act, 1993 (Act 85 of 1993), and 5(1) construction regulation of 2014, the Department of Public Works and Infrastructure, as the Client and/or its Agent on its behalf, shall be responsible to prepare Health & Safety Specifications for any intended construction project and provide any Principal Contractor who is making a bid or appointed to perform construction work for the Client and/or its Agenton its behalf with the same.

The Client's further duties are as described in The Act and the Regulations made thereunder. The Principal Contractor shall be responsible for the Health & Safety Policy for the site in terms of Section 7 of the Act and in line with Construction Regulation 5 as well as the Health and Safety Plan for the project.

This 'Health and Safety Specifications' document is governed by the "Occupational Health and Safety Act, 1993 (Act No. 85 of 1993), hereinafter referred to as 'The Act'. Notwithstanding this, cognizance should be taken of the fact that no single Act or its set of Regulations can be read in isolation. Furthermore, although the definition of Health and Safety Specifications stipulates 'a documented specification of all health and safety requirements pertaining to associated works on a construction site, so as to ensure the health and safety of persons', it is required that the entire scope of the Labor legislation, including the Basic Conditions of Employment Act be considered as part of the legal compliance system. With reference to this specification document this requirement is limited to all health, safety and environmental issues pertaining to the site of the project asreferred to here-in. Despite the foregoing it is reiterated that environmental management shall receive due attention.

Due to the wide scope and definition of construction work, every construction activity and site will be different, and circumstances and conditions may change even on a daily basis. Therefore, due caution is to be taken by the Principal Contractor when drafting the Health and Safety Plan based on these Health and Safety Specifications. Prior to drafting the Health and Safety Plan, and in consideration of the information contained here-in, the

contractor shall set up a Risk Assessment Program to identify and determine the scope and details of any risk associated with any hazard at the construction site, in order to identifythe steps needed to be taken to remove, reduce or control such hazard. This Risk Assessment and the steps identified will be the basis or point of departure for the Health and Safety Plan. The Health and Safety Plan shall include documented 'Methods of Statement' (see definitions under Construction Regulations) detailing the key activities to be performed in order to reduce as far as practicable, the hazards identified in the Risk Assessment.

In this a high premium is to be placed on the health and safety of the most valuable assets of the Department of Public Works and Infrastructure. These are its personnel, the personnel of its Clients and the physical assets of which it is the custodian and may also include the public as well. The responsibilities the Department and relevant stakeholders have toward its employeesand other people present in the facilities or on the sites are captured further in this specification document. These responsibilities stem from both moral, civil and a variety of legal obligations. The Principal Contractor is to take due cognizance of the abovestatement.

Every effort has been made to ensure that this specification document is accurate and adequate in all respects. Should it however, contain any errors or omissions they may not be considered as grounds for claims under the contract for additional reimbursement or extension of time, or relieve the Principal Contractor from his responsibilities and accountability in respect of the project to which this specification document pertains. Any such inaccuracies, inconsistencies and/or inadequacies must immediately be brought to the attention of the Agent and/or Client.

#### 2. SCOPE OF HEALTH AND SAFETY SPECIFICATION DOCUMENT

These Specifications should be read in conjunction with the Act, the Construction Regulations and all other Regulations and Safety Standards which were or will be promulgated under the Act or incorporated into the Act and be

during the effective duration of the project. The stipulations in this specification, as well as those contained in all other documentation pertaining to the project, including contract documentation and technical specifications shall not be interpreted, in any way whatsoever, to countermand or nullify any stipulation of the Act, Regulations and Safety Standards which are promulgated under, or incorporated into the Act.

This health and safety specification in respect of a construction work contract:

- a) provides the overarching framework within which the contractor is required to demonstrate compliance with certain requirements for occupation health and safety established by the Occupational Health and Safety Act of 1993 during construction;
- b) establishes the manner in which the contractor is to manage the risk of health and safety incidents in during the construction; and
- c) establishes the manner in which the employer's health and safety agent will interact with the contractor.

Note 1 This specification establishes generic requirements to enable the employer and the contractor to satisfy aspects of the Occupational Health and Safety Act, 1993 (Act No. 85 of 1993) and the Construction Regulations, 2014. The contractor is required to develop, implement and maintain package specific health and safety plans. The employer is required to provide certain package specific information to the contractor or a health and safety specification for the works to enable such plans to be formulated. Accordingly, this generic specification on its own cannot ensure compliance with the requirements of the aforementioned Act (See Annexure A).

Note 2: The Construction Regulations, 2014, require an employer to stop any contractor from executing construction work which is not in accordance with the contractor's health and safety plan for the site or which poses to be a threat to the health and safety of persons. Note 3: This specification establishes generic health and safety requirements. Site specific requirements for health and safety are stated in the scope of work associated with a contract (see Annexure A).

Note 4: The South African Council for the Project and Construction Management Professions has established the following specified categories of registration in terms of the Project and Construction Management Professions Act of 2000 (Act No. 48 of 2000):

- a) a Construction Health and Safety Agent who may be appointed by an employer to act as his agent in terms of the Occupational Health and Safety Act of 1993 and the Construction Regulations issued in terms of that Act;
- b) a Construction Health and Safety Manager who may be appointed by an employer to complement his professional team or by a contractor to manage company or project health and safety performance and compliance in accordance with the Occupational Health and Safety Act and Regulations; and a Construction Health and Safety Officers who may be appointed by an employer to mitigate the risk on a project or by a contractor to monitor and assist on-site health and safety performance and compliance in accordance with the Occupational Health and Safety Act and Regulations and services.

#### 3. PURPOSE

The Department is obligated to implement measures to ensure the health and safety of all people and properties affected under its custodianship or contractual commitments, and is further obligated to monitor that these measures are structured and applied according to the requirements of these Health and Safety Specifications.

The purpose of this specification document is to provide the relevant Principal Contractor (and his / her contractor) with any information other than the standard conditions pertaining to construction sites which might affect the health and safety of persons at work and the health and safety of persons in connection with the use of plant and machinery; and to protect persons other than persons at work against hazards to health and safety arising out of or in connection with the activities of persons at work during the carrying out of construction work for the Department of Public Works and Infrastructure. The Principal Contractor (and his /her contractor) is to be briefed on the significant health and safety aspects of the project and to be provided with information and requirements on inter alia:

- a) Safety considerations affecting the site of the project and its environment;
- b) Health and safety aspects of the associated structures and equipment;
- c) submissions on health and safety matters required from the Principal Contractor (and his /her contractor); and
- d) the Principal Contractor's (and his /her contractor) health & safety plan.

To serve to ensure that the Principal Contractor (and his /her contractor) is fully aware of what is expected from him/her with regard to the Occupational Health and Safety Act, 1993 (Act No. 85 of 1993) and the Regulations made there-under including the applicable safety standards, and in particular in terms of Section 6, 7 and 8 of the construction regulation (2014).

To inform the Principal Contractor that the Occupational Health and Safety Act, 1993 (Act 85 of 1993) in its entirety shall apply to the contract to which this specification document applies. The Construction Regulations promulgated on 07 February 2014.

# CREATING AND MAINTAINING A SAFE AND HEALTHY WORK ENVIRONMENT General

The contractor shall with respect to the site and the construction work that are contemplated:

cause a preliminary hazard identification to be performed by a competent personbefore

commencing any physical construction activity;

- evaluate the risks associated with the identified hazard to the health and safety of such employees and the steps that need to be taken to comply with the Act; and
- 2. as far as is reasonably practicable, prevent the exposure of such employees to the hazards concerned or, where prevention is not reasonably practicable, minimize such exposure.
- 3. Adhere to the consolidated COVID 19 directions on health and safety in the workplace issued by the Minister in terms of the Regulation 4(10) of the National Disaster Regulations as well as the COID act. Ensure that you provide the Department with proof that the requirements stipulated on these Regulations as the Employer have been met.

#### The contractor shall ensure that:

- all reasonably practicable steps are taken to prevent the uncontrolled collapse of any new or existing structure or any part thereof, which may become unstable or is in a temporary state of weakness or instability due to the carrying out of construction work; no structure or part of a structure is loaded in a manner which would render it unsafe; and
- account of information, if any, provided by the designer of the structure is taken into account in the risk assessment;
- Adhere to the consolidated COVID 19 directions on health and safety in the
  workplace issued by the Minister in terms of the Regulation 4(10) of the National
  Disaster Regulations as well as the COID act. Ensure that you provide the
  Department with proof that the requirements stipulated on these Regulations as
  the Employer have been met.

Note: The information provided by the designer should outline known or anticipated dangers or hazards relating to the work and make available all information required for the safe execution of the work. It should provide as relevant, geotechnical information (or make reference to reports provided in the site information), the loading the structure is designed to withstand, the methods and sequence of construction.

The contractor shall carry out regular inspections and audits to ensure that the work is being performed in accordance with the requirements of this specification.

#### 4. DEFINITIONS

The most important definitions in the Act and Regulations pertaining to this specification document are hereby extracted.

Act: The Occupational Health and Safety Act, 1993 (Act No. 85 of 1993)

Accident – means unplanned occurrence that happens due to the unsafe condition and may cause injury to a person, damage to the property, material, plant, equipment and the environment.

Agent – means any person who acts as a representative for a client. The word agent, in some instances, may be used interchangeable with the Construction Health and Safety Agent, the distinguishing factor will be on the role expected to be played by the agent mentioned. For example, all H&S related issues (audits, inspections, and/or reports) are done by the Construction Health and Safety Agent, whilst the accountability of overall project success or portions of the work is done by the Agent I.e. Principal Agent or Project Manager or Engineer.

Client means Department of Public Works and Infrastructure.

#### Competent person means a person who-

- (a) has in respect of the work or task to be performed the required knowledge, training and experience and, where applicable, qualifications, specific for that work or task: Provided that where appropriate qualifications and training are registered in terms of the provisions of the National Qualifications Framework Act, 2000 (Act No.67 of 2000), those qualifications and that training must be regarded as the required qualifications and training; and
- (b) Is familiar with the OHS Act, Act 85 of 1993 and with the applicable regulations made under the Act;

Construction Health & Safety Agent (SACPCMP) – The person or entity appointed by the client through the Agent and who has a full authority and obligation to act on the client's behalf in terms of the construction regulations. *Pr.CHSA* means a competent person who acts as a representative for a Client in terms of regulation (5)

**Contract Amount**" Financial value of the contract at the time of the award of the contract, exclusive of all allowance and any value added tax or sales tax which the law requires the employer to pay to the contractor.

**contractor**: person or organization that contracts to provide the work covered by the contract

**contract manager:** person appointed by the employer to administer the contract on his behalf

#### competent person: any person who:

- a) has in respect of the work or task to be performed the required knowledge, training and experience and, where applicable, qualifications specific to that work or task; and
- b) is familiar with the Act and applicable regulations made in terms of the Act

Note: The Regulations stipulate that where appropriate qualifications and training are registered in terms of the provisions of the National Qualification Framework Act of 2000.those qualifications and training must be regarded as the required qualifications and training.

danger: anything which may cause injury or damage to persons or property employer: person or organization that enters into a contract with the contractor for the provision of the work covered by the contract

employer's health and safety agent: the person appointed as agent by the employer in terms of Regulation 4(5) of the Construction regulations and named in the contract data as the being the employer's agent responsible for health and safety matters. This is a Construction Health & Safety Agent (SACPCMP)" – The person or entity appointed by the client through the Agent and who has a full authority and obligation to act on the client's behalf in terms of the construction regulations;

"Construction Manager (Site Agent)" means a competent person responsible for the management of the physical construction processes and the coordination, administration and management of resources on a construction site;

Construction Site means a work place where construction work is being performed; Construction Supervisor means a competent person responsible for supervising construction activities on a construction site:

Construction Vehicle means a vehicle used as a means of conveyance for transporting persons or material, or persons and material, on and off the construction site for the purposes of performing construction work;

Construction work means any work in connection with -

- a) The construction, erection, alteration, renovation, repair, demolition or dismantling of or addition to a building or any similar structure; or
- b) the construction, erection, maintenance, demolition or dismantling of any bridge, dam, canal, road, railway, runway, sewer or water reticulation system; or the moving

of earth, clearing of land, the making of excavation, piling, or any similar civilengineering structure or type of work.

Construction Work Permit means a document issued in terms of regulation 3 of the Construction Regulations 2014.

CR refers to the Construction Regulations 2014.

**Demolition Work** means a method to dismantle, wreck, break, pull down or knock down of a structure or part thereof by way of manual labor, machinery, or the use of explosives.

**ergonomics:** the application of scientific information concerning humans to the design of objects, systems and the environment for human use in order to optimize human well-being and overall system performance.

Fall Protection Plan means a documented plan, which includes and provides for-

- All risks relating to working from a fall risk position, considering the nature of work undertaken;
- The procedures and methods to be applied in order to eliminate the risk of falling;
   and
- A rescue plan and procedures.

**H&S** – health and safety.

hazard: a source of or exposure to danger.

hazard identification: the identification and documenting of existing or expected hazards to the health and safety of persons, which are normally associated with the type of construction work being executed or to be executed.

**Health and Safety File** – means a file, or other record in permanent form, containing the information required a contemplated in the regulations.

health and safety plan: a documented plan which addresses hazards identified and includes safe work procedures to mitigate, reduce or control the hazards identified. health and safety specification: a site, activity or project specific document pertaining to all health and safety requirements related to construction work which is included in the contractor's contract with the employer or an order issued in terms of framework agreement.

healthy: free from illness or injury attributable to occupational causes.

**incident:** an event or occurrence occurring at work or arising out of or in connection with the activities of persons at work, or in connection with the use of plant or machinery, in which, or in consequence of why

- any person dies, becomes unconscious, suffers the loss of a limb or part of a limb or is otherwise injured or becomes ill to such a degree that he is likely either to die or to suffer a permanent physical defect or likely to be unable for a period of at least 14 days either to work or to continue with the activity for which he was employed or is usually employed;
- b) a major incident occurred; or
- c) the health or safety of any person was endangered and where:
  - i) a dangerous substance was spilled;
  - ii) the uncontrolled release of any substance under pressure took place;
  - iii) machinery or any part thereof fractured or failed resulting in flying, falling or uncontrolled moving objects; or machinery ran out of control.

inspector: a person designated as such under section 28 the Act.

**major incident:** an occurrence of catastrophic proportions, resulting from the use of plant or machinery, or from activities at a workplace.

**Medical Certificate of Fitness** means a certificate contemplated in regulation 7(8) of Construction Regulations 2014.

**Practical Completion Certificates-** A certificates issued in terms of a contract by the employer, signifying that the whole of the construction works have reached a state of readiness for occupation or use for the purposes intended, although some minor work may be outstanding.

"Professional Engineer or Professional Certificated Engineer" means a person holding registration as either a Professional Engineer or Professional Certificated Engineer in terms of the Engineering Profession Act, 2000 (Act No. 46 of 2000). reasonably practicable: practicable having regard to:

- a) the severity and scope of the hazard or risk concerned;
- b) the state of knowledge reasonably available concerning that hazard or risk and of any means of removing or mitigating that hazard or risk;
- c) the availability and suitability of means to remove or mitigate that hazard or risk; and
- d) the cost of removing or mitigating that hazard or risk in relation to the benefits deriving therefrom.

risk – means the likelihood that harm will occur and the subsequent consequences.

"Risk assessment" – means a process to determine any risk associated with any hazard at a construction site in order to identify the steps needed to be taken to mitigate, reduce or control such hazards.

safe: free from any hazard.

**Safety Officer** – a person deemed competent by SACPCMP under the relevant category of registration.

**scaffold:** any temporary elevated platform and supporting structure used for providing access to and supporting workmen or materials or both.

#### structure:

- a) any building, steel or reinforced concrete structure (not being a building), railway line or siding, bridge, waterworks, reservoir, pipe or pipeline, cable, sewer, sewage works, fixed vessels, road, drainage works, earthworks, dam, wall, mast, tower, tower crane, bulk mixing plant, pylon, surface and underground tanks, earth retaining structure or any structure designed to preserve or alter any natural feature, and any other similar structure;
- any false work, scaffold or other structure designed or used to provide support or means of access during construction work; or
- any fixed plant in respect of construction work which includes installation,
   commissioning, decommissioning or dismantling and where any construction work
   involves a risk of a person falling.

substance: any solid, liquid, vapor, gas or aerosol, or combination thereof.
suitable: capable of fulfilling or having fulfilled the intended function or fit for its intended purpose.

temporary works: any false work, formwork, support work, scaffold, shoring or other temporary structure designed to provide support or means of access during construction. workplace: any premises or place where a person performs work in the course of his employment.

#### 5. OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH & SAFETY MANAGEMENT

#### 5.1 Structure and Organization of OH&S Responsibilities

#### 5.1.1. Overall Supervision and Responsibility for OH&S

a) The Client and/or its Agent on its behalf to ensure that the Principal Contractor, appointed in terms of Construction Regulation 4(1)(c), implements and maintains the agreed and approved H&S Plan. Failure on the part of the Client or Agent to

comply with this requirement will not relieve the Principal Contractor from any oneor more of his/her duties under the Act and Regulations.

- b) The Chief Executive Officer of the Principal Contractor in terms of Section 16 (1) of the Act to ensure that the Employer (as defined in the Act) complies with the Act. The pro forma Legal Compliance Audit may be used for this purpose by the Principal Contractor or his/her appointed contractor.
- c) All OH&S Act (85 /1993), Section 16 (2) appointee/s as detailed in his/her/their respective appointment forms to regularly, in writing, report to their principals on matters of health and safety per routine and ad hoc inspections and on any deviations as soon as observed, regardless of whether the observation was made during any routine or ad hoc inspection and to ensure that the reports are made available to the principal Contractor to become part of site records (Health & Safety File).
- d) The Construction Supervisor and Assistant Construction Supervisor/s appointed in terms of Construction Regulation 6 to regularly, in writing, report to their principals on matters of health and safety per routine and ad hoc inspections and on any deviations as soon as observed, regardless of whether the observation was made during any routine or ad hoc inspection and to ensure that the reports are made available to the principal Contractor to become part of site records (Health & Safety File).
- e) All Health and Safety Representatives (SHE-Reps) shall act and report as per Section 18 of the Act.

### 5.1.2 Required appointments as per the Construction Regulations: -

Item	Regulation	Appointment	Responsible e Person
1.	3.	Application Construction work permit	Client
2.	5(1)(k)	Principal contractor for each phase or project	Client
3.	5(6)	Construction Health & Safety Agent	Client
4.	7(1)(c)	Contractor	Principal
			Contractor
5.	7(3)	Contractor	Contractor
6.	8(1)	Construction manager	Contractor
7.	8(2)	Assistance Construction manager	Contractor
8.	6(1)	Construction supervisor	Contractor
9.	6(2)	Construction supervisor sub-ordinates	Contractor
10.	8(5)	Construction Safety Officer	Contractor
11.	8(8)	Responsible employee	
12.	9(1)	Person to carry out risk assessment	Contractor
13.	10(1)	Fall protection planner	Contractor
14.	12(1)	Temporal work designer	
15.	12(2)	Supervisor of temporal work operation	
16.	13(1)	Excavation supervisor	Contractor
17.	13(2)(k)	Competent person in the use of explosive for excavations	Contractor
18.	14(11)	Explosives expert	Contractor
19.	14(1)	Supervisor demolition work	Contractor
20.	14(2)	Scaffold supervisor	Contractor
21.	16(1)	Suspended platform supervisor	Contractor
22.	18(1)a	Rope access	Contractor
23.	19(8)(a)	Material hoist inspector	Contractor
24.	20(1)	Bulk mixing plant supervisor	Contractor
25.	21(2)	Explosive actuated fastening device inspector	Contractor
26.	21(2)(g)	Explosive actuated fastening device cartridge, nails and studs: issuer & collector	Contractor
27.	23(1)	Operator : construction vehicle and mobile plant	Contractor
28.	28 (a)	Stacking and storage supervisor	Contractor
29.	29 (h)	Fire equipment inspector	Contractor

#### 5.2 Communication, Participation & Consultation

- 5.2.1 Occupational Health & Safety matters/issues shall be communicated between the Employer, the Principal Contractor, the other Contractors, the Designer and other concerned parties shall be through the H&S Committee or other means determined by the client.
- 5.2.2 In addition to the above, communication may be directly to the Client or his appointed Agent, verbally or in writing, as and when the need arises.
- 5.2.3 Consultation with the workforce on OH&S matters will be through their Supervisors and H&S Representatives ('SHE Reps')
- 5.2.4 The Principal Contractor will be responsible for the dissemination of all relevant OH&S information to the other Contractors e.g. design changes agreed with the Client and/or its Agent on its behalf and the Designer, instructions by the Client and/or his/her agent, exchange of information between Contractors, the reporting of hazardous/dangerous conditions/situations etc.
- 5.2.5 Adhere to the consolidated COVID 19 directions on health and safety in the workplace issued by the Minister in terms of the Regulation 4(10) of the National Disaster Regulations as well as the COID act.

#### 6. INTERPRETATION

- a) The Act and its associated regulations shall have precedence in the interpretation of any ambiguity or inconsistency between it and this specification.
- b) Compliance with the requirements of this specification does not necessarily result in compliance with the provisions of the Act.
- c) The Occupational Health and Safety Act and all its Regulations, with the exception of the Construction Regulations, distinguish between the roles, responsibilities and

functions of employers and employees respectively. It views consultants and contractors as employees of the "owner" of a construction or operational project, the "owner" being regarded as the employer.

- d) The position taken by the Construction Regulations is that the "owner", in terms of its instructions, operates (has to operate) in the role of client as per relevant definition. The contractors working for the "client" are seen to be in two categories, i.e. the Principal Contractor and Contractors.
- e) The Principal Contractor has to take full responsibility for the health and safety on the site of the relevant project / contract. This includes monitoring health and safety conditions and overseeing administrative measures required by the Construction Regulations from all contractors on the project site.
- f) The words *Principal Contractor* and *Contractor* in this document are used interchangeable, unless clearly expressed otherwise to mean something else e.g. when used to describe roles, responsibilities, functions, acts or omissions of the subcontractor(s).
- g) Adhere to the consolidated COVID 19 directions on health and safety in the workplace issued by the Minister in terms of the Regulation 4(10) of the National Disaster Regulations as well as the COID act. Ensure that you provide the Department with proof that the requirements stipulated on these Regulations as the Employer have been met.

#### 7. RESPONSIBILITIES

#### 7.1 Client

a) The Client or his appointed Agent on his behalf will appoint each Principal Contractor for this project or phase/section of the project in writing for assuming the role of Principal Contractor as intended by the Construction Regulations.

- b) The Client or his appointed Agent on his behalf shall discuss and negotiate with the Principal Contractor the contents of the health and safety plan of the both Principal Contractor and Contractor for approval.
- c) The Client or his appointed Agent on his behalf will take reasonable steps to ensure that the health and safety plan of both the Principal Contractor and Contractor is implemented and maintained. The steps taken will include periodic audits at intervals of at least once every month.
- d) The Client or his appointed Agent on his behalf, will prevent the Principal Contractor and/or the Contractor from commencing or continuing with construction work should the Principal Contractor and/or the Contractor at any stage in the execution of the works be found to:
  - have failed to have complied with any of the administrative measures required by the Construction Regulations in preparation for the construction project or any physical preparations necessary in terms of the Act;
  - have failed to implement or maintain their health and safety plan;
  - have executed construction work which is not in accordance with their health and safety plan; or
  - act in any way which may pose a threat to the health and safety of any person(s)
    present on the site of the works or in its vicinity, irrespective of him/them being
    employed or legitimately on the site of the works or in its vicinity.

#### 7.2 Principal Contractor

a) The Principal Contractor shall accept the appointment under the terms and Conditions of Contract. The Principal Contractor shall sign and agree to those terms and conditions and shall, before commencing work, notify the Department of Laborof the intended construction. Annexure 2 of this construction regulation contains a "Notification of Construction Work" form. The Principal Contractor shall submit the notification in writing prior to commencement of work and inform the Client or his Agent accordingly.

- b) The Principal Contractor shall ensure that he is fully conversant with the requirements of this Specification and all relevant health and safety legislation.
- c) The Principal Contractor will in no manner or means be absolved from the responsibility to comply with all applicable sections of the Act, the Construction Regulations or any Regulations proclaimed under the Act or which may perceivable be applicable to this contract.
- d) The Principal Contractor shall provide and demonstrate to the Client's suitable and sufficiently documented health and safety plan based on this Specification, the Act and the Construction Regulations, which shall be applied from the date of commencement of and for the duration of execution of the works. This plan shall, as appendices, include the health and safety plans of all Sub-contractors for which he has to take responsibility in terms of this contract.
- e) The Principal Contractor shall provide proof of his registration and good standing with the Compensation Fund or with a licensed compensation insurer prior to commencement with the works.
- f) The Potential Principal Contractor shall, in submitting his tender, demonstrate that he has made provision for the cost of compliance with the specified health and safety requirements, the Act and Construction Regulations. (Note: This shall have to be contained in the conditions of tender upon which a tenderer's offer is based.)
- g) The Principal Contractor shall consistently demonstrate his competence and the adequacy of his resources to perform the duties imposed on the Principal Contractor in terms of this Specification, the Act and the Construction Regulation.

- h) The Principal Contractor shall ensure that a copy of his health and safety plan is available on site and is presented upon request to the Client, an Inspector, Employee or Sub-contractor.
- i) The Principal Contractor shall ensure that a health and safety file, which shall include all documentation required in terms of the provisions of this Specification, the Act and the Construction Regulations, is opened and kept on site and made available to the Client or Inspector upon request. Upon completion of the works, the Principal Contractor shall hand over a consolidated health and safety file to the Client.
- j) The Principal Contractor shall, throughout execution of the contract, ensure that all conditions imposed on his Sub-contractors in terms of the Act and the Construction Regulations are complied with as if they were the Principal Contractor.
- k) The Principal Contractor shall from time to time evaluate the relevance of the Health and Safety Plan and revise the same as required, following which revised plan shall be submitted to the Client and/or his/her Agent for approval.
- I) The Principal Contractor shall adhere to the consolidated COVID 19 directions on health and safety in the workplace issued by the Minister in terms of the Regulation 4(10) of the National Disaster Regulations as well as the COID act. Ensure that you provide the Department with proof that the requirements stipulated on these Regulations as the Employer have been met. Ensure that training is conducted on the requirements on health and safety in relation to COVID-19 in the work place. Provide the appropriate PPE such as cloth face masks minimum of x 2 per employee on site and ensure continuous hands sanitizers are provided and social distance in maintained throughout the work process. Lastly, ensure that medical screening is conducted every morning before workers access the construction site. This should be done to everybody that accesses the site premix

#### 7.3 Contractor / sub-contractor

The contractor must demonstrate to the Principal Contractor that he has the necessary competencies and resources to perform the construction work safely.

Acceptance by the Principal Contractor of the contract with Public Works and Infrastructure shall constitute acknowledgement that the Principal Contractor has familiarized him/herself with the contents of the OHSE Spec and that he/she will comply with all its obligations in respect thereof.

Due to fact that this document is based on legislative requirements, the Client requires that all Contractors comply with the requirements of this document and all other relevant legislative requirements not covered by this document.

The Client or its duly appointed Construction H&S Agent reserves the right to stop any Principal Contractor or Sub-Contractors from working whenever Safety, Health or Environmental requirements are being violated as required by regulation 5(1)(q). Any resultant costs of such work stoppages will be for the relevant Contractor's account.

The requirements as specified by the Client in this document must not be deemed to be exhaustive and the Client reserves the right to make changes as and when the Client deems fit to address issue of OHSE Compliance.

The Client will not entertain any claim of any nature whatsoever which arises as a result of costs incurred or delays being experienced due to the Contractor not complying with the requirements of this document and/or any other applicable legislative requirements imposed on the Contractor.

The contractor may only subcontract work in terms of a written subcontract and shall only appoint a subcontractor should he be reasonably satisfied that such a subcontractor has the necessary competencies and resources to safely perform the work falling within the scope of the contract. Such a subcontract shall require that the subcontractor:

- co-operate with the contractor as far as is necessary to enable both the contractor and sub-contractor to comply with the provisions of the Act; and
- as far as is reasonably practicable, promptly provide the contractor with any
  information which might affect the health and safety of any person at work
  carrying out work or any person who might be affected by the work of such a
  person at work or which might justify a review of the health and safety plan.

The contractor shall provide any sub-contractor who is submitting a tender or appointed to perform a sub-contract falling within the scope of the contract, with the relevant sections of this specification and the health and safety specification.

The contractor shall discuss and negotiate with each subcontractor performing construction work the subcontractor's health and safety plan and approve that plan for implementation.

The contractor shall take reasonable steps as are necessary to ensure that:

- potential contractors submitting tenders have made sufficient provision for health and safety measures during the construction process;
- each subcontractor is registered and in good standing with the compensation fund or with a licensed compensation insurer prior to their performance of work on site:
- all the subcontractor's employees have a valid medical certificate of fitness specific to the construction work which are to be performed which is issued by an occupational health and safety practitioner;
- all sub-contractors co-operate with each other to enable each of those sub-contractors to comply with the requirements of the Act and associated regulations;
- each subcontractor performing construction work has and maintains a health and safety file containing the relevant information described in 4.2.5; and
- each sub-contractor's health and safety plan is implemented and maintained.

The contractor shall conduct periodic document verifications and audits for compliance with the approved health and safety plan of each and every sub-contractor working on the site at intervals agreed upon with such subcontractors, but at least once per month.

The contractor shall stop any subcontractor from executing construction work which is not in accordance with the contractor's or subcontractor's health and safety plan for the site or which poses a threat to the health and safety of persons.

The contractor shall ensure that where changes to the works occur including design changes, sufficient health and safety information and appropriate resources are made available to subcontractor to execute the work safely.

The contractor shall ensure that:

- every subcontractor is registered and in good standing with the compensation fund or with a licensed compensation insurer prior to work commencing on site;
- potential subcontractors submitting tenders have made provision for the cost of health and safety measures during the construction process; and
- every subcontractor has in place a documented health and safety plan prior to commencing any work on site which falls within the scope of the contract.

The contractor shall receive, discuss and approve health and safety plans submitted by subcontractors.

The contractor shall ensure that all subcontractors are informed regarding any hazard as stipulated in the risk assessment before any work commences, and thereafter at such timesas may be determined in the risk assessment.

The contractor shall reasonably satisfy himself that all employees of subcontractors are informed, instructed and trained by a competent person regarding any hazard and the related work procedures before any work commences, and thereafter at such times as may be determined in the risk assessment.

The contractor shall satisfy himself and ensure that all subcontractor employees deployed in the site are:

- informed, instructed and trained by a competent person regarding any hazard and the related work procedures before any work commences, and thereafter at such times as may be determined in the risk assessment; and
  - issued with proof of health and safety induction training issued by a competent person and carry proof such induction when working on site.

The contractor shall undertake a risk assessment together with subcontractors whenever subcontractors are working in close proximity to other subcontractors particularly activities involve excavations, the moving of earth, the movement of heavy machinery and working at heights

#### 7.4 Construction supervisors

The construction manager shall in writing appoint construction supervisors responsible for construction activities and ensuring occupational health and safety compliance on the construction site.

A contractor shall after considering the size of the project and if considered necessary, appoint in writing one or more competent employees for different sections of the work to assist the construction supervisor.

#### 7.5 Competent persons

The contractor shall appoint in writing competent persons to supervise or inspect, as relevant, any of the following:

- formwork and support work operations;
- excavation work;
- demolition work;
- scaffolding work operations;
- · suspended platform work operations;
- material hoists;
- bulk mixing plants;
- temporary electrical installations

- · the stacking and storage of articles on the site; and
- fire equipment.

The contractor shall appoint in writing competent persons to:

- · induct employees in health and safety; and
- prepare and update as necessary a fall protection plan and to provide the construction manager with a copy of the latest version of such plan.

#### 7.6 Appointment of a Fulltime/ Part time Safety Officer

The Principal Contractors will have to appoint a competent Construction H&S Officer as per the following criteria;

- 7.6.1 Number of employees onsite between 30 but below 50 Part Time Safety Officershall be appointed and will be onsite at least 2 days a week.
- 7.6.2 Number of employees above 50 Fulltime Safety Officer should be appointed.
- 7.6.3 Should the project require a Construction Work Permit a Fulltime Safety Officershould be appointed.

Further to the above criteria, should the Client or its Representative having considered the risks present and lack of compliance to the Occupational Health and Safety Act, Act 85 of 1993 and its applicable Regulations the Client or its Representative may issue an instruction that a Part/ Full Time Construction Health and Safety Officer must be appointed, such a requirement will have to be met. Taking the Risk associated with this project into consideration it is deemed that a full time Safety Officer needs to be appointed and be present on site at all times.

#### 7.7 Construction Health & Safety Agent (SACPCMP)

The construction Health & Safety Agent act as a link between the client, Principal Contractor and the project team members with respect to health & Safety, they are Required to ensure that the client carry out its H&S responsibilities in terms of Legislation as well as to co-ordinate and ensure good H&S practices are maintained Throughout the duration of the project. In many cases this role starts from project Initiation to project close-out.

- a) H&S competence: In the event that the client is unable to satisfy the requirements of the Construction Regulations for whatever reasons, the construction H&S agent may be appointed to perform these functions on behalf of the client. Given the need to appoint a registered construction H&S agent that is competent and adequately resourced with respect to H&S matters.
- b) H&S goals: It is important that the construction H&S agents demonstrate clearly to clients how they are going to contribute to the achievement of any client H&S goals and objectives. They should also set their own H&S goals.
- c) H&S responsibilities: Prior to accepting the H&S agent appointment from clients, H&S agents need to ensure that they brief clients fully on the client's particular responsibilities in terms of the OH&SA of 1993 and Construction Regulations as amended from time to time. In the absence of acceptance by clients of these responsibilities, H&S agents will not be able to adequately meet their own H&S responsibilities and duties.
  - e) H&S information: H&S agents must provide the designer or design team with all H&S information to enable them to conduct a design HIRA to identify the significant hazards that need to be included in the H&S specification. This information may be gathered from multiple sources such as, for example, discussion with the client, previous historical use of the site or facility, previous surveys and investigations and past H&S files.
  - f) The employer's health and safety agent shall:
    - a. audit the contractor's compliance with the requirements of this specification prior to the commencement of any physical construction activities on the site;
    - b. accept or reject the contractor's health and safety plans, giving reasons for rejecting such plans;
    - c. monitor the effective implementation of all safety plans;
    - d. conduct periodic and random audits on the health and safety file to establish compliance with the requirements of this specification;
    - e. visit the site at regular intervals to conduct site inspections, and based upon such visits issue, wherever necessary, Improvement Notices, Contravention Notices and Prohibition Notices, to the contractor or any of the contractor's subcontractors with a copy to the contract manager and, where relevant, to the contractor.
  - g) The contractor shall invite the employer's health and safety agent to audit compliance with the requirements of this specification before commencing with any physical construction activity on the site.
  - h) Other duties of a H&S are to ensure that, where applicable, the following is attended to:
    - 1. Application for a Construction Work Permit Number (as per Dol. Chief Inspector, July 2018

A client who intends to have construction work carried out, must at least 30 days before that work is to be carried out <u>apply to the provincial director in writing for a construction work permit to perform construction work</u> if the intended construction work starts on or after the 7<sup>the</sup> of August 2018 and exceeds 365 days; will involve more than 3600 person days of construction work; or the works contract in of a value exceeding thirteen million rand or Construction Industry Development Board (CIDB) grading level 7.

The application for the Construction Work Permit Number as contemplated above shall be the responsibility of the client depending on the submission of all relevant documentation from the successful tenderer.

After the Provincial Director of Labor has issued a Construction Work Permit, the Client's or its duly appointed Construction H&S Agent will issue a letter advising the Project Leader and the Principal Agent to arrange the site handover meeting as all legislative requirements would have been complied with including as a copy of the construction permit to work.

#### 2. Tenderer's responsibility:

The tenderer (meeting the above criteria) must ensure that they attach a certified copy of the **SACPCMP** Certificate for a Registered Construction Manager together with their OHSE Plans.

#### 7.8 Responsibilities towards employees and visitors

- 7.8.1 The contractor shall as far as reasonably practicable, cause every employee to bemade conversant with the hazards to his health and safety attached to any work which he has to perform, any article or substance which he has to produce, process, use, handle, store or transport and any plant or machinery which he is required or permitted to use, as well as with the precautionary measures which should be taken and observed with respect to those hazards or safe work procedures.
- 7.8.2 The contractor shall ensure that all employees under his or her control and theemployees of his subcontractors who are performing construction work are:
- informed, instructed and trained by a competent person regarding any hazard and the related work procedures before any work commences, and thereafter at such times as may be determined in the risk assessment; and
- issued with proof of health and safety induction training issued by a competent person and carry proof of such induction when working on site.
  - 7.8.3 The contractor shall cause a record of training to be kept which indicates the training dates, the names, identity numbers and job description of all those why

attended such training and the name, identity number and competence of theperson who provided the training.

- 7.8.4 The contractor shall not allow or permit any employee to enter the site, unless suchperson has undergone health and safety induction training pertaining to the hazards prevalent on the site at the time of entry.
- 7.8.5 The contractor shall ensure that each visitor to a construction site, save wheresuch visitor only visits the site office and is not in direct contact with the construction work activities:
- 7.8.6 undergoes health and safety instruction pertaining to the hazards prevalent on the site; an
- 7.8.7 is provided with the necessary personal protective equipment.
- 7.8.8 The contractor shall provide suitable on-site signage to alert workers and visitors tohealth and safety requirements. Such signage shall include but not be limited to:
- 7.8.9 unauthorized entrance prohibited;
- 7.8.10 signage to indicate what personal protective equipment is to be worn; and 7.8.11 activity related signs.
- 7.8.12 The contractor shall not permit any person who is or who appears to be under theinfluence of intoxicating liquor or drugs, to enter or remain at a workplace.

#### 7.9 Design of temporary work

The contractor shall:

- 7.9.1 provide the health and safety agent with the names and contract particulars of the designers involved in the design of temporary works;
- 7.9.2 issue the designers with a copy of the health and safety specification as well as any pertinent information contained in the contract; and
- 7.9.3 provide the health and safety agent with certificates issued by the designer of the temporary works that such works are fit for purpose before such works are used in support construction activities

#### 3. Notification of intention to commence construction work

i. The contractor shall on sites where no construction work permit has been issued by the Provincial Director of the Department of Labor notify such director in writing using a form similar to that contained in Annexure 2 of the Construction Regulations issued in terms of the Act before construction work commences and retain proof of such notification in the health and safety file where the work includes:

- a. excavation work;
- b. working at height where there is a risk of falling;
- c. the demolition of a structure:
- d. the use of explosives; or
- e. a single story dwelling for a client who is going to reside in such dwelling upon completion
- ii. The contractor shall ensure that no work commences on an electrical installation which requires a new supply or an increase in electricity supply before the person who supplies or contracts or agrees to supply electricity to that electrical installation has been notified of such work.
- iii. The contractor shall ensure that no asbestos.

#### 8. SCOPE OF WORK

See attached building specification.

#### 9. PREPARING A HEALTH & SAFETY PLAN

- (a) The level of detail required for a H&S plan will depend on how complex the workplace is (in particular, the number of contractors at the workplace at any one time) and the risks involved in the work. The plan must be easily accessible in a construction site and it must be clearly understood by management, supervisors & workers on construction site.
- (b) The plan must be implemented, maintained and kept up to date during the construction of the project.
- (c) The principal contractor should prepare a H&S plan that includes
  - project information;
  - client requirements for H&S management on the project;
     Environmental restrictions and existing on-site risks arrangements, imposed by others or developed by the principal contractor, to control significant site H&S risks; H&S file & project H&S review.
- (d) The H&S plan should include the following information:
  - details of the client, that is the person commissioning the construction work, for example their name, representative and contact details; details of the principal contractor;
  - details of the construction project, for example address of the workplace, anticipated start and end date and a brief description of the type of construction work that the H&S plan will cover;

- details on how subcontractors will be managed and monitored, including how the principal contractor intends to implement and ensure compliance with the
  - H&S plan such as checking on the performance of subcontractors and how non-compliance will be handled; and
- details on how the risks associated with falls, falling objects, moving plant, electrical work and all high risk construction work that will take place on a construction project will be managed.

#### (e) The H&S plan should also include information on:

- the provision and maintenance of a hazardous chemicals register, safety data sheets and hazardous chemicals storage;
- · the safe use and storage of plant;
- the development of a construction project traffic management plan;
- obtaining and providing essential services information electrical, gas, telecom, water and similar services;
- · workplace security and public safety; and
- ensuring workers have appropriate licenses and training to undertake the construction work.

#### (f) The H&S plan must contain:

- a general description of the type of work activities involved in the project and not just a description of the facility to be constructed;
- the project program or schedule details, including start and finish dates, showing principal activities;
- details of client, design team, principal contractor, subcontractors, and major suppliers; and
- extent and location of relevant existing records, surveys, site investigation and geotechnical reports, 'as-built' plans, H&S files.

#### 10. HEALTH AND SAFETY FILE

- a) The H&S file is a document prepared by the principal contractor containing important project H&S information for use by the owner of the completed structure after construction has been completed.
- b) The principal contractor is responsible for producing an H&S file. It contains important project H&S information for use by the owner of the completed structure after construction has been completed. It is essential that the process of compiling the file commences as early as possible to ensure sufficient time to gather the required information.

- c) The Principal Contractor must, in terms of Construction Regulation 7(7), keep a Health & Safety File on site at all times that must include all documentation required in terms of the Act and Regulations and must also include a list of all Contractors on site that are accountable to the Principal Contractor and the agreements between the parties and details of work being done. A more detailed list of documents and other legal requirements that must be kept in the Health & Safety File.
- d) The contractor must ensure that the client's format and layout of the H&S file is adhered to. The contractor must identify the responsible person that will prepare the H&S file and who will be responsible for the drafting of as-built drawings. The contractor must establish procedures:
- e) The Health and Safety File will remain the property of the Client and/or its Agent on its behalf throughout the period of the project and shall be consolidated and handed over to the Client and/or its Agent on its behalf at the time of completion of the project.
- f) The contractor shall establish and maintain on site a health and safety file which contains copies, as relevant of:

the following documents which shall be placed in the file prior to commencing with physical construction activities:

- copy of the contraction work permit issued in terms of the Construction Regulations 2014;
- the contractor's health and safety policy, signed by the chief executive officer, which outlines the contractor's objectives and how they will be achieved and implemented by the contractor;
- copies of all risk assessments that were conducted.
- the notification made to the Provincial Director of Labor, and if relevant, the notification of the person who supplies or contracts or agrees to supply electricity to that electrical installation;
- the letters of appointment, as relevant, together with a brief curriculum vita (CV)of:
  - the construction manager and any assistant construction managers;
  - the construction health and safety manager
  - the construction health and safety officer
  - the risk assessor who is tasked to perform the risk assessments; and
  - the registered person responsible for the electrical installation covered by the Electrical Installations Regulations;
  - the authorized persons responsible for gas appliances, gas system gas reticulation system covered by the Pressure Equipment Regulations;

- a copy of the certificate of registration of the registered person responsible for the electrical installation covered by the Electrical Installations Regulations;
- the approval of the design of the part of an electrical installation which has a voltage in excess of 1 kV by a person deemed competent in terms of the Electrical Installations Regulations;
- proof of registration of the electrical contractor who undertakes the electrical installation in terms of the Electrical Installations Regulations;
- the preliminary hazard identification undertaken by a competent person;
- the organogram which outlines the roles of the construction supervisor's assistants and safety officers; and
- the contractor's health and safety plan;
- the emergency procedures;
- the procedure for the issuing and replacement of lost, stolen, worn or damaged personal protective clothing and equipment; and
- proof that the contractor and all the subcontractors are registered and in good standing with the compensation fund or with a licensed compensation insurer relevant to the type of work performed;
- the following documents, as relevant, which shall be placed in the file after construction activities have commenced;
- the letters of appointments, if relevant, together with a brief curriculum vita (CV) of:
  - persons who are required to assist the construction supervisor;
  - construction supervisor for the site in respect of construction work covered by the Construction Regulations;
  - competent persons;
  - assistants of construction supervisor; and
  - designers of temporary works.
- any revisions to the organogram which outlines the roles of the construction supervisor's assistants and safety officers;
- each and every subcontract agreement and each and every subcontractor's approved health and safety plan;
- proof that every subcontractor is registered and in good standing with the compensation fund or with a licensed compensation insurer relevant to the type of work performed;
- proof of all subcontractor's induction training whenever it is conducted;
- copies of the minutes of the contractor's subcontractor's health and safety meetings;
- copies of each of the contractor's subcontractors' health and safety policy, signed by the chief executive officer, which outlines the contractor's objectives and how they will be achieved and implemented by the contractor;
- the health and safety plans of all the contractor's subcontractors who are required to provide such plans;
- copies of the fall protection plan and each revision thereof;
- a comprehensive and updated list of all the subcontractors employed on site by the contractor, indicating the type of work being performed by such sub-contractors;

- the outcomes of the monthly audits for compliance with the approved health and safety plan of each and every sub-contractor working on the site;
- any report made to an inspector by the health and safety committee;
- the minutes of all health and safety meetings and any recommendations made to the contractor by the health and safety committee;
- the findings of all audit reports made regarding the implementation of the contractor's or a subcontractor's health and safety plan;
- the inputs of the safety officer, if any, into the health and safety plan;
- details of induction training conducted whenever it is conducted including the list of attendees;
- proof of the following where suspended platforms are used:
  - a certificate of system design issued by a professional engineer, professional certificated engineer or a professional engineering technologist;
  - proof of competency of erectors, operators and inspectors;
  - proof of compliance of operational design calculations with requirements of the system design certificate;
  - proof of performance test results;
  - sketches indicating the completed system with the operational loading capacity of the platform;
  - procedures for and records of inspections having been carried out;
  - procedures for and records of maintenance work having been carried out;
  - proof that the prescribed documentation has been forwarded to the provincial director;
  - letters of appointments for competent persons to supervise the activities which law requires to be so supervised;
  - a copy of risk assessments made by competent persons;
  - records of the register of inspections made by a competent person immediately before and during the placement of concrete or any other load on formwork;
  - the names of the first aiders on site and copies of the first aid certificates of competency;
  - the names of the persons the persons who are in possession of valid certificate of competency in first aid and copies of such certificates;
  - medical certificates of fitness for the contractor's and subcontractors' employees specific to the construction work to be performed and issued by an occupational health and safety practitioner:
    - details of all incidents together with the Contractor's investigative report on such incident:
    - the record of inspections carried out by the designers of structures to ensure compliance with designs; and
  - any other documentation required in terms of regulations issued in terms of the Act including a record of all drawings, designs, materials used and other similar information concerning the completed structure;

- The health and safety file shall be made available for inspection by any inspector, subcontractor, the contract manager, the employer's health and safety agent or employee of the contractor upon the request of such persons.
- The health and safety file shall be updated to ensure that its contents always reflect the latest available information.
- The contractor shall hand over a copy of the health and safety file to the employer's health and safety agent upon completion of the contract and if relevant, a certificate of compliance accompanied by a test report for the electrical installation in accordance with the provisions of the Electrical Installation Regulations.

## 11. OH&S GOALS AND OBJECTIVES AND ARRANGEMENTS FOR MONITORING AND REVIEWING OH&S PERFORMANCE

The Principal Contractor is required to maintain an acceptable disabling incident frequency rate (DIFR) and report on this to the Client and/or its Agent on its behalf on a monthly basis.

# 11.1 IDENTIFICATION OF HAZARDS AND DEVELOPMENT OF RISK ASSESSMENTS, STANDARD WORKING PROCEDURES (SWP) AND METHOD STATEMENTS

The Principal Contractor is required to develop Risk Assessments, Standard Working Procedures (SWP) and Method Statements for each activity executed in the contract or project.

The identification of hazards is over and above the hazards identification programmer and those hazards identified during the drafting of the Health and Safety Plan.

#### 11.1.1 Monthly Audit by Client and/or its H&S Agent.

The Client and/or its H&S Agent on its behalf will be conducting Periodic Audits at times agreed with the Principal Contractor Audit to comply with Construction Regulation 4(1)(d) to ensure that the principal Contractor has implemented, is adhering to and is maintaining the agreed and approved OH&S Plan.

a) A representative of the Principal Contractor and the relevant Health and Safety Representative(s) (SHE-Reps) must accompany the Client and/or its Agent on its behalf on all Audits and Inspections and may conduct their own audit/inspection at the same time. Each party will, however, take responsibility for the results of his/her own audit/inspection results. The Client and/or its Agent on its behalf may require to be handed a copy of the minutes of the previous Health and Safety Committee meeting reflecting possible recommendations made by that committee to the Employer for reference purposes.

#### 11.1.2 Health & Safety incident/accident reporting & investigations

- a) The Principal Contractor shall report all incidents where an employee is injured on duty to the extent that he/she:
  - i. dies
  - ii. becomes unconscious
  - iii. loses a limb or part of a limb
  - iv. is injured or becomes ill to such a degree that he/she is likely either to die or to suffer a permanent physical defect or likely to be unable for a period of at least 14 days either to work or continue with the activity for which he/she was usually employed

#### OR where:

- i. a major incident occurred
- ii. the health or safety of any person was endangered
- iii. where a dangerous substance was spilled
- iv. the uncontrolled release of any substance under pressure took place

- v. machinery or any part of machinery fractured or failed resulting in flying, falling or uncontrolled moving objects
- vi. Machinery ran out of control, to the Provincial Director of the Department of Labor within seven days and at the same time to the Client and/or its Agent on its behalf.
- b) The Principal Contractor is required to provide the Client and/or its Agent on its behalf with copies of all statutory reports required in terms of the Act and the Regulations.
- c) The Principal Contractor is required to provide the Client and/or its Agent on its behalf with a monthly "SHE Risk Management Report".
- d) The Principal Contractor is required to provide a.s.a.p. the Client and/or its Agent on its behalf with copies of all internal and external accident/incident investigation reports.
  - The Principal Contractor is responsible to oversee the investigation of all accidents/incidents where employees and non-employees were injured to the extent that he/she/they had to receive first aid or be referred for medical treatment by a doctor, hospital or clinic. (General Administrative Regulation 9)
- (a) The results of the investigation to be entered into the Accident/Incident Register listed above. (General Administrative Regulation 9)
- (b) The Principal Contractor is responsible for the investigation of all non-injury incidents as described in Section 24 (1) (b) & (c) of the Act and keeping a record of the results of such investigations including the steps taken to prevent similar incidents in future

- (c) The Principal Contractor is responsible for the investigation of all accidents relating to the construction site and keeping a record of the results of such investigations including the steps taken to prevent similar accidents in future.
- (d) Notwithstanding the requirements of Section 24 of the Act, ALL incidents shall be investigated and reported on in writing, irrespective of whether such incident gave rise to injury or damage.
  - Determine the underlying H&S deficiencies and other contributory factors
  - Identification of corrective/preventative actions and continual improvement
  - Communicating the outcome/results and documenting the events of the investigation.

#### (e) Reporting of Near-Misses

- Department of Public Works and Infrastructure views the reporting of near misses as a criticalcomponent in creating a positive health and safety awareness culture on site.
- Department of Public Works and Infrastructure retains the right to enforce the reporting of nearmisses within 24 hours of occurrence.

#### 12. Review

The Principal Contractor is to review the Hazard Identification, Risk Assessments and Standard Work Processes at each Production Planning and Progress Report meeting as the construction work develops and progresses and each time changes are made to the designs, plans and construction methods and processes.

The Principal Contractor must provide the Client and/or its Agent on its behalf, other Contractors and all other concerned parties with copies of any changes, alterations or amendments as contemplated in the above paragraph

#### 12.1 Site Rules and other Restrictions

#### a) Site OH&S Rules

The Principal Contractor must develop a set of site-specific OH&S rules that will be applied to regulate the Health and Safety Plan and associated aspects of the construction. When required for a site by law, visitors and non-employees upon entering the site shall be issued with the proper Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) as and when necessary.

#### b) Security Arrangements

The Principal Contractor must establish site access rules and implement and maintain these throughout the construction period. Access control must include the rule that non-employees shall at all times be provided with fulltime supervision while on site. The Principal Contractor must develop a set of Security rules and procedures and maintain these throughout the construction period.

If not already tasked to the H&S Officer appointed in terms of Construction Regulation, the Principal Contractor must appoint a competent person who must develop contingency plans for any emergency that may arise on site as indicated by the risk assessments.

#### 12.1.1 Appointment of Health & Safety Representatives

#### a) H&S Representatives ('SHE - Reps')

Where the Principal Contractor employs more than 20 persons (including the employees of other Contractors (sub-contractors) he has to appoint one H&S Representatives for every 50 employees or part thereof. (Section 17 of the Act and General Administrative Regulation 6. & 7.)

H&S Representatives must be appointed in writing and the designation shall be in accordance with the Collective Agreement as concluded between the parties as is required in terms of General Administration Regulation 6.

#### 12.1.2 Duties and Functions of the H&S Representatives

The contractor shall appoint in writing one health and safety representative for every 50 employees working on the site, whenever there are more than 20 employees on the site, to:

- conduct at least a weekly inspection of their respective areas of responsibility using a checklist developed by a Principal Contractor.
- review the effectiveness of health and safety measures;
- identify potential hazards and potential major incidents;
- in collaboration with his employer, examine the causes of incidents;
- investigate complaints by any employee of the contractor relating to that employee's health or safety on the site;
- make representations to the contractor on matters arising from a), b), c) or d) or on general matters affecting the health or safety of the employees at the workplace;
- inspect the site with a view to, the health and safety of employees, at regular intervals;
- participate in consultations with inspectors at the workplace and accompany inspectors on inspections of the workplace; and
- participate in any internal health or safety audit.

The report must be consolidated and submitted to the Health & Safety Committee. H&S Representatives must form part of the incident/accident investigating team.

The contractor shall provide the health and safety representatives with the necessary assistance, facilities and training to carry out the functions established above.

#### 12.1.3 Establishment of H&S Committee(s)

- The Principal Contractor must establish H&S Committees consisting of designated H&S Representatives together with a number of Employers Representatives appointed as per Section 19(3) that are not allowed to exceed the number of H&S Representatives on the committee.
- The persons nominated by the employer on a H&S Committee must be designated in writing for such period as may be determined by him. The H&S Committee shall co-opt advisory (temporary) members and determine the procedures of the meetings including the chairmanship.
- The H&S Committee must meet minimum monthly and consider, at least, an agreed Agenda for the first meeting. Thereafter the H&S Committee shall determine its own procedures.

#### 12.1.4 Training & Awareness

The contents and syllabi of all training required by the Act and Regulations including any other related or relevant training as required must be included in the Principal Contractor's Health and Safety Plan and Health and Safety File.

#### a) Training & Induction

All employees performing work or task on site that potentially impact on H&S must be competent & have the necessary appropriate education, training & experience.

All the training must be closely aligned with the risk profile of the project; procedures must be put in place to ensure that all workers are aware of the consequences of their work activities & benefits of improved H&S performance.

All employees of the Principal and other Contractors must be in possession of proof of General Induction training

#### b) Site Specific Induction Training

All employees of the Principal and other Contractors must be in possession of Site Specific Occupational Health and Safety Induction or other qualifying training.

#### c) Other Training

All operators, drivers and users of construction vehicles, mobile plant and other equipment must be in possession of valid proof of training.

#### d) Copy of the Act

The contractor shall ensure that a copy of the Act and relevant regulations is available on site for inspection by any person engaged in any activity on the site.

#### 13. PROJECT/SITE SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS

The following is a list of specific activities and considerations that have been identified for the project and site and for which Risk Assessments, Standard Working Procedures (SWP), management and control measures and Method Statements (where necessary) have to be developed by the Principal Contractor:

- a) Clearing & grabbling the area/site
- b) Site establishment
- c) Dealing with existing structures
- d) Location of existing services
- e) Boundary & Access control/Public liability exposures
- f) Protection against heat exhaustion, dehydration, wet & cold conditions
- g) Dealing with HIV & aids other related diseases
- h) Use of portable electrical & explosive tools
- i) Any Excavation work
- j) Any welding work
- k) Loading & offloading of trucks
- I) Driving & operations of Construction vehicles & mobile plant
- m) Temporal works and
- n) Construction work as defined in the construction regulation 2014

#### 14. OUTLINED DATA, REFERENCES AND INFORMATION ON CERTAIN AND/OR SPECIFIC OBLIGATORY REQUIREMENTS TO ENSURE COMPLIANCE

#### Administrative & Legal Requirements

OHS Act Section/ Regulation	Subject	Requirements
Construction. Regulation	Notice of carrying out Construction work	Department of Labor notified     Copy of Notice available on Site
General Admin. Regulation 4	Copy of OH&S Act (Act 85 of 1993)	Updated copy of Act & Regulations on site.     Readily available for perusal by employees.
COID Act Section 80	Registration with Compensation Insurer.	Written proof of registration/Letter of good standing available on Site
Construction. Regulation 4 & 5(1)	H&S Specification & Programmed	H&S Spec received from Client and/or its Agent on its behalf     OH&S programmer developed & Updated regularly
Section 8(2)(d) Construction. Regulation 7	Hazard Identification & Risk Assessment	Hazard Identification carried out/Recorded Risk Assessment and – Plan drawn up/Updated RA Plan available on Site Employees/Sub-Contractors informed/trained
Section 16(2)	Assigned duties (Managers)	Responsibility of complying with the OH&S Act assigned to other person/s by CEO.
Construction. Regulation 6(1)	Designation of Person Responsible on Site	Competent person appointed in writing as     Construction Supervisor with job description
Construction. Regulation 6(2)	Designation of Assistant for above	Competent person appointed in writing as     Assistant Construction Supervisor with lob description
Section 17 & 18 General Administrative Regulations 6 & 7	Designation of Health & Safety Representatives	More than 20 employees - one H&S Representative, one additional H&S Rep. for each 50 employees or part thereof.     Designation in writing, period and area of responsibility specified in terms of GAR 6 & 7     Meaningful H&S Rep. reports.     Reports actioned by Management.
Section 19 & 20 General Administrative Regulations 5	Health & Safety Committee/s	H&S Committee/s established. All H&S Reps shall be members of H&S Committees Additional members are appointed in writing. Meetings held monthly, Minutes kept. Actioned by Management.
Section 37(1) & (2)	Agreement with Mandatories/ (Sub-)Contractors	Written agreement with (Sub-)Contractors List of Subcontractors displayed. Proof of Registration with Compensation Insurer/Letter of Good Standing Construction Supervisor designated Written arrangements re. H&S Reps & H&S Committee Written arrangements re. First Aid

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	Reporting of Incidents (Dept. of Labor)	Incident Reporting Procedure displayed.     All incidents in terms of Sect. 24 reported to the Provincial Director, Department of Labor, within 3 days. (Annexure 1) (WCL 1 or 2) and to the Client and/or its Agent on its behalf     Cases of Occupational Disease Reported     Copies of Reports available on Site     Record of First Aid injuries kept
General Admin. Regulation 9	Investigation and Recording of Incidents	All injuries which resulted in the person receiving medical treatment other than first aid, recorded and investigated by investigator designated in writing.     Copies of Reports (Annexure 1) available on Site     Tabled at H&S Committee meeting     Action taken by Site Management.
Construction. Regulation 8	Fall Prevention & Protection	Competent person appointed to draw up the Fall Protection Plan Proof of appointee's competence available on Site Risk Assessment carried out for work at heights Fall Protection Plan drawn up/updated Available on Site
General Safety Regulation 8(1)(a)	Designation of Stacking & Storage Supervisor.	Competent Person/s with specific knowledge and experience designated to supervise all Stacking & Storage     Written Proof of Competence of above appointee available on Site
Construction. Regulation Environmental Regulation 9	Designation of a Person to Co-ordinate Emergency Planning And Fire Protection	Person/s with specific knowledge and experience designated to co-ordinate emergency contingency planning and execution and fire prevention measures Emergency Evacuation Plan developed: Drilled/Practiced Plan & Records of Drills/Practices available on Site Fire Risk Assessment carried out All Fire Extinguishing Equipment identified and on register. Inspected weekly. Inspection Register kept Serviced annually

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General Safety Regulation 3	First Ald	Every workplace provided with sufficient number of First Aid boxes. (Required where 5 persons or more are employed) First Aid freely available Equipment as per the list in the OH&S Act. One qualified First Aider appointed for every 50 employees. (Required where more than 10 persons are employed) List of First Aid Officials and Certificates Name of person/s in charge of First Aid box/is displayed. Location of First Aid box/is clearly indicated.
		Signs instructing employees to report all     Injuries/illness including first aid injuries
General Safety Regulation 2	Personal Safety Equipment (PSE)	PSE Risk Assessment carried out Items of PSE prescribed/use enforced Records of Issue kept Undertaking by Employee to use/wear PSE PSE remain property of Employer, not to be removed from premises GSR 2(4)
General Safety Regulation 9	Inspection & Use of Welding/Flame Cutting Equipment	Competent Person's with specific knowledge and experience designated to Inspect Electric Arc, Gas Welding and Flame Cutting Equipment Written Proof of Competence of above appointee available on Site All new vessels checked for leaks, leaking vessels NOT taken into stock but returned to supplier immediately Equipment identified/numbered and entered into a register Equipment inspected weekly. Inspection Register kept Separate, purpose made storage available for full and empty vessels
General Safety Regulation 13A	Inspection of Ladders	Competent person appointed in writing to inspect Ladders     Ladders inspected at arrival on site and weekly thereafter. Inspections register kept     Application of the types of ladders (wooden, aluminum etc.) regulated by training and     inspections and noted in register
General Safety regulation 13B	Ramps	Competent person appointed in writing to supervise the erection & inspection of Ramps Inspection register kept.     Daily inspected and noted in register

#### 15. THE PRINCIPAL CONTRACTOR'S GENERAL DUTIES

#### i. General

- The Principal Contractor shall at all times ensure his status of an "employer" as referred to in the Act, and will abide by his/her responsibilities, duties and functions per the requirements of the Act and Regulations with specific reference to Section 8 of the Act.
- The Principal Contractor shall keep, and on demand make available, a copy of theAct on site at all times and in addition to that he/she will introduce and maintain a file titled "Health and Safety File", or other record in permanent form, which shall contain all relevant aspects and information as contemplated in the Construction Regulations. He/she will make this file available to the client or his representative whenever necessary or on request to an interested party.
- The project under control of the Principal Contractor shall be subject to periodic health and safety audits that will be conducted by the client at intervals agreed uponbetween the Principal Contractor and the client, provided such intervals will not exceed periods of one month.
- The Principal Contractor is to ensure that he/she and all persons under his control on the construction site shall adhere to the above specifications.
- The Principal Contractor should note that he/she shall be held liable for any anomalies including costs and resulting deficiencies due to delays caused by non-conformance and/or non-compliance to the above Health and Safety Specifications and the Health and Safety Plan based on these specifications.

#### ii. Personal protective equipment and clothing

The contractor shall ensure that:

- all workers are issued with the necessary personal protective clothing;
- all workers are identifiable at all times by having the company for
- which theywork for printed on the back or front of their overalls; and
- clear procedures are in place for the replacement of lost, stolen, worn ordamage

personal protective clothing.

#### iii. Competent persons

The contractor shall appoint in writing competent persons to supervise or inspect, as relevant, any of the following:

- formwork and support work operations;
- excavation work;
- · demolition work:
- scaffolding work operations;
- · suspended platform work operations;
- · material hoists:
- bulk mixing plants;
- temporary electrical installations;
- the stacking and storage of articles on the site; and
- fire equipment.

The contractor shall appoint in writing competent persons to:

- · induct employees in health and safety; and
- prepare and update as necessary a fall protection plan and to provide the construction manager with a copy of the latest version of such plan.

#### 16. THE PRINCIPAL CONTRACTOR'S SPECIFIC DUTIES

The Principal Contractor's specific duties in terms of these specifications are detailed in the Construction Regulations as published under government notice 07 August 2014, stipulated in Section 7.

# 17. THE PRINCIPAL CONTRACTOR'S SPECIFIC RESPONSIBILITIES WITH REGARD TO HAZARDOUS ACTIVITIES

The following examples of activities are identifiable as hazardous in terms of the

Construction Regulations. The contractor shall execute the activities in accordance with the following Construction Regulations and other applicable regulations of the Act:

- Fall protection
- Structures
- Excavation work
- Demolition work
- Scaffolding
- Construction vehicles & mobile plant.
- Water environments
- Housekeeping on construction sites
- Fire precautions on construction sites.

This list must not be taken to be exclusive or exhaustive! All of the above requirements will be read in conjunction with the relevant regulations and health and safety standards as required by the Act. All documents and records required by the Construction Regulations will be kept in the Health and Safety File and will be made available at any time when required by the client or his representative, or on request to an interested party.

#### 18. GENERAL NOTES TO THE PRINCIPAL CONTRACTOR

#### i. Legal Framework

Part of legal obligations

The more important Acts and relevant subordinate/secondary legislation as well as other (inter alia Local Government) legislation that also apply to the State as well as to State owned buildings and premises: -

- a. The latest issue of SABS 0142: "Code of Practice for the Wiring of Premises"
- The Local Government Ordinance 1939 (Ordinance 17 of 1939) as amended and the municipal by-laws and any special requirements of the local supply authority

- c. The Fire Brigade Services Act 1987, Act 99 of 1987 as amended
- d. The National Building Regulations and Building Standards Act 1977 (Act 103 of 1977) as amended and relevant proclaimed Regulations (SABS 0400)
- e. The Post Office Act 1958 (Act 44 of 1958) as amended
- f. The Electricity Act 1984, Act 41 of 1984
- g. The Regulations of Local Gas Board(s), including Publications of the SABS Standards and Codes of Practice, with specific reference to GNR 17468 dated 4<sup>the</sup> October 1997
- h. Legislation pertaining to water usage and the environment
- Legislation governing the use of equipment, which may emit radiation (e.g. X-Rays etc.)
- j. Common Law

#### ii. General requirements

The contractor shall:

- a) create and maintain as reasonably practicable a safe and healthy work environment,
- execute the work in a manner that complies with all the requirements of the Act and all its associated regulations, and in so doing, minimize the risk of incidents occurring;
- c) conspicuously display any site specific number assigned to the construction site in terms of the Construction Regulations 2014 at the main entrance to the site; and
- d) respond to the notices issued by the employer's health and safety agent as follows:
  - 1) Improvement Notice: improve health and safety performance over time so that repeat notices are not issued;
  - 2) Contravention Notice: rectify contravention as soon as possible;

Prohibition Notice: terminate affected activities with immediate effect and only recommence activities when it is safe to do so

Note: Financial penalties can be applied should Contravention Notices be issued. This should be dealt under the sub heading "NON-CONFORMANCES" in the same document.

#### 19. HOUSE KEEPING

Good housekeeping will be maintained at all times as per Construction Regulation No. 25.

Poor housekeeping contributes to three major problems, namely, costly or increased accidents, fire or fire hazards and reduction in production. Good housekeeping will enhance production time.

In promotion of environmental control all waste, rubble, scrap etc., will be disposed of at a registered dump site and records will be maintained. Where it is found to be impractical to use a registered dump site or it is not available, the Principal Contractor will ensure that the matter is brought to record with the client or his representative, after which suitable, acceptable alternatives will be sought and applied.

Dross and refuse from metals, and waste matters or by-products whose nature is such that they are poisonous or capable of fermentation, putrefaction or constituting an uisance shall be treated or disposed of by methods approved of by an inspector.

NOTE: No employer (Principal Contractor) shall require or permit any person to work at night or after hours unless there is adequate, suitable artificial lighting including support services in respect of Health and Safety.

#### a) Facilities

The site establishment plan shall make provision for:

#### b) Dining room facilities

The contractor shall make provision for adequate dining room facilities for his employees on site.

#### c) Change rooms

The contractor shall make provision for adequate change rooms for his employees on site.

#### d) Ablution facilities

The contractor shall make provision for adequate ablution facilities for his employeeson site.

These facilities shall be maintained by the contractor.

#### e) Smoking Areas

Designated smoking areas shall be established by Department of Public Works and Infrastructure.

#### f) Drinking Water Facilities

The provision of drinking water facilities shall be negotiated between the Contractor and Department of Public Works and Infrastructure.

#### a) Equipment Compliance Certificates

Before equipment is brought on site valid certificates of compliance issued by a competent person shall be presented. The equipment includes but shall not be limited to:

I. Lifting equipment and lifting tackle airpower driven machinery iii.electrical equipment iv.testing and monitoring equipment

#### b) Barricading

All barricading shall be of the rigid type unless the use of non-rigid barricading has been approved in writing by the Department of Public Works and Infrastructure Project Manager. The contractors' barricading standard shall be included in the Health and Safety Plan.

Where more than one contractor is working on a site, the fixed barricading shall be clearly marked with the company's name, site contact person as well as the contact number/s.

#### c) Erection of Structures for Logistic Support

Prior to site establishment Department of Public Works and Infrastructure shall approve the contractor's site plan.

Department of Public Works and Infrastructure shall approve all structures erected for logistical support by the contractor. These structures include fences, workshops, tool sheds, offices, ablution facilities, etc.

#### d) Salvage Yard Management

Depending on the site specific arrangements and procedures, Department of Public Works and Infrastructure may provide the salvage yard and the resources to manage it.

The salvage yard management shall conform to safety, health and environmental requirements. The Rev H&S Spec Guideline Oct 2015 50

contractors are required to move the equipment from the place of work to the salvage yard.

#### e) Fall Arrest and Prevention Equipment

Approved fall prevention equipment shall be used at heights of less than 2.0 metres. Above heights of 2.0 metres fall prevention equipment shall include fall arrest Equipment. Users of fall arrest equipment shall, amongst other things be trained in what an appropriate load bearing point is for connecting fall prevention equipment.

Any deviation from this requirement shall be negotiated and agreed with Department of Public Works and Infrastructure in writing.

#### f) Hazardous Chemical Substances Waste Removal

Department of Public Works and Infrastructure shall provide a facility to collect all hazardous chemical waste material.

The contractor shall provide adequately marked and sealable containers to transport The hazardous chemical waste from the source to the approved Department of Public Works and Infrastructure disposal point.

#### g) Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)

Personal protective equipment issued shall be specific to the risks associated with the work to be performed and specific to conditions on site and shall comply with South African National Standards (SANS) or similar.

#### **20.LOCKOUT SYSTEMS**

A system of control shall be established in order that no unauthorized person can energize a circuit, open a valve, or activate a machine on which people are working or doing maintenance, even if equipment, plant or machinery is out of commission for any period, thus eliminating injuries and damage to people and equipment as far as is reasonably practicable.

Physical/mechanical lock-out systems shall be part of the safety system and included in training. Lockouts shall be tagged and the system tested before commencing with any work or repairs.

#### 21. IMPORTANT LISTS AND RECORDS TO BE KEPT

The following are lists of several records that are to be kept in terms of the Construction Regulations. The lists are:

- i. List of appointments
- ii. List of record keeping responsibilities

#### iii. Inspection checklist

#### a) Contractor Risk Assessment Process

The risk assessment process shall include:

- 1) an evaluation of the method of the work to be conducted
- the method statement on the procedure to be followed in performing the task shall be developed
- 3) the risk assessment will also include activities like:
  - i. Transportation of passengers and goods to and from site
  - ii. Site establishment
  - iii. Physical and mental capabilities of employees
  - iv. Others as may be specified.
- 4) the hazards as listed in the paragraph Site Specific Health and Safety Hazards
- 5) a review plan for risk assessments shall provide for:
  - i. the quarterly review of all applicable risk assessments
  - ii. the review of an assessment if there is reason to believe that the previous assessment is no longer valid, or there has been a change in a process, work methods, equipment or procedures and working conditions
  - iii. Risk assessment/s to be reviewed if the outcome of incident investigations and audits etc. requires such action.

A pre - task risk assessment shall be conducted in writing on every task and be facilitated by the team leader. All risk assessments and pre-task risk assessments shall be filed and be available on site.

#### b) Risk Profile

All contractors shall submit a risk profile of the work to be conducted with their Health and Safety Plan.

#### c) Risk Based Inspection Program

The inspection programme shall be risk based. The inspection plan shall form part of the Health and Safety Plan.

#### i. MEASUREMENT AND PAYMENT

The payment items for Occupational Health & Safety are contained in the Bill of Quantities. The same rules are applicable in respect of the pricing of these items as for every other payment item. Attention is drawn to the Pricing Instructions in this document.

#### ii. NON-CONFORMANCES

Should, at any time, the works, or part of the works, be stopped due to unsafe acts or non-compliance with the Clients or PCs H&S Plan; neither the PC nor any other Contractor shall have a claim for extension of time or any other compensation.

Minor: Penalty: R50/count	Medium: Penalty: R500/count and a non-conformance	Severe Penalty: R5000/count, a non-conformance and/or activity stoppage	
Non-use of PPE supplied	Toilets not supplied or regularly serviced; lack of drinking water	Contractors working without Health and Safety Plan approval	
Non completion of registers for plant and equipment on site	Contractors not audited	Workers transported in contravention of the OHS plan or legal requirements	
Lack of H&S signage at work areas	Working without training or the appropriate, approved H&S method statements	Invalid Letters of Good Standing	
Tools and equipment identified in poor condition during inspections	Legal non-conformances identified during the previous audit and not	Non-compliance with traffic accommodation requirements: layout or physical conditions	

Minor: Penalty: R50/count	Medium: Penalty: R500/count and a non-conformance	Severe Penalty: R5000/count, a non-conformance and/or activity stoppage	
	addressed within the agreed time frame		
	No monthly OHS report at site meeting to report on	Any serious breach of legal requirements	
	No certificates of fitness for workers as required		
	Working without approved method statements		

#### 4.8 Failure to Comply with Provisions

Failure or refusal on the part of the PC or their Contractors to take the necessary steps to ensure the safety of workers and the general public in accordance with these specifications or as required by statutory authorities or ordered by the engineer, shall be sufficient cause for the engineer to apply penalties as follows:

- (i) A penalty as shown in the Table above shall be deducted for each and every occurrence of non-compliance with any of the requirements of the H&S Specification.
- (ii) In addition a time-related penalty of R500,00 per hour over and above the fixed penalty may be deducted for non-compliance to rectify any non-conformance within the allowable time after a site instruction to this effect has been given by the Client's representative. The site instruction shall state the agreed time, which shall be the time in hours for reinstatement of the defects. Should the Contractor fail to adhere to this instruction, the time-related penalty shall be applied from the time the instruction was given.

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#### iii. INSPECTIONS, FORMAL ENQUIRES AND INCIDENTS

- 1. The contractor shall inform the relevant safety representative:
  - i. beforehand of inspections, investigations or formal inquiries of which he has been notified by an inspector; and
  - ii. as soon as reasonably practicable of the occurrence of an incident on the site.
- 2. The contractor shall record all incidents and notify the employer's health and safety

agent of any incident, except in the case of a traffic accident on a public road, as soon as possible after it has occurred and report such incidence to an inspector of the department of labour and notify the Provincial Director of the Department of Labour of such incident within 7 days on the prescribed form.

- 3. The contractor shall investigate all incidents and issue the employer's health and safety agent with copies of such investigations.
- 4. The contractor shall in the event of an incident in which a person dies, or is injured to such an extent that he is likely to die, or suffered the loss of a limb or part of a limb:
  - i. notify the Provincial Director of the Department of Labour of such incident by telephone, facsimile or similar means of communication;
  - ii. ensure that no person disturbs the site at which the incident occurred or remove any article or substance involved in the incident therefrom, without the consent of an inspector, unless an action is necessary to prevent a further incident, to remove the injured or dead, or to rescue persons from danger;
  - iii. and provide the Provincial Director of the Department of Labour with a report which includes the measures that the contractor or his subcontractor intend to implement to ensure a safe site as reasonably practicable.
- The contractor shall notify the Provincial Director of the Department of Labour of the death of any person which results from injuries sustained in an incident.

#### iv. EMERGENCY PROCEDURES

The contractor shall submit for acceptance to the employer's health and safety agent an emergency procedure which include but are not limited to fire, spills, accidents to employees, exposure to hazardous substances, which:

- identifies the key personnel who are to be notified of any emergency;
- sets out details including contact particulars of available emergency services; and
- the actions or steps which are to be taken during an emergency.

The contractor shall within 24 hours of an emergency taking place notify the employer's health and safety agent in writing of the emergency and briefly outline what happened and how it was dealt with.

### **IMPORTANT CONTACT DETIALS**

(FOR HEALTH & SAFETY ASPECTS ONLY)

The contractor is to add all the important contact information about essentials services, support and assistance.

	SERVICE	NUMBER	CONTACT PERSON
	Hospital		
000	Ambulance		
	Water Electricity		
C.P	Police		
	Fire Brigade		



Engineer	

## ADD OTHER IMPORTANT HEALTH & SAFETY CONTACT DETAILS AS MAY BE FOUND NECESSARY.

# SECTION 37(2) AGREEMENTS CONCLUDED BETWEEN DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS AND INFRASTRUCTURE

(Hereinafter referred to as Department of Public Works and Infrastructure)

AND			
(Name of contractor/supplier/Agent/)			
,			
(name)representing[Insert name o			
contractor/supplier], do hereby acknowledge that			
[insert name of contractor/supplier] is an employer in his/her own right, with duties as prescribed in			
the Occupational Health and Safety Act No. 85 of 1993 ("the Act"), as amended, and agree to ensure			
that all work will be performed and/or machinery or plant used in accordance with the provisions of			
the Act.			
undertake that [insert name of contractor/supplier			
shall strictly adhere to, and ensure that his/her employees adhere to, the provisions of the			
Occupational Health and Safety Act, 1993 (Act 85 of 1993).			
Occupational Health and Salety Act, 1993 (Act 65 of 1995).			
I have been provided with SHE specifications for project/service[insert			
brief details of project/service, for example, name, contract/project number]			
and will comply with the requirements set out in these			

I accept and agree that the SHE specifications constitute arrangements and procedures between  [Insert name of contractor/supplier/Agent
Safety Manager/Safety Officer] and Department of Public Works and Infrastructure, which will ensure compliance by
contractor/supplier] with the provisions of the Act, as contemplated in section 37(2) of the Act.
This agreement constitutes the sole agreement between the parties, and no variation, modification, or waiver of any of the provisions of this agreement or consent to any departure from these shall, in any manner, be of any force or effect, unless confirmed in writing and signed by both parties, and such variation, modification, waiver, or consent shall be effective only in the specific instance and
for the specific purpose and to the extent for which it was made or given.
This agreement is signed on behalf of the parties, each signatory to this warranting that he/she has the requisite authority to do so.
Signed this day of
(Place)
(Full name)on
behalf of(Supplier/contractor/Agent)
Contractor Responsible Manager (responsible for signing the Department of Public Works
and Infrastructure' contract on behalf of the contractor)
Witnesses 1
1
2
Signed this day of20

3	t( <i>Place</i> )
	(Full nameon
	Behalf of Department of Public Works and Infrastructure.  (Contracts and/or Project Manager or Department of Public Works and Infrastructure representative
	Witnesses 1

PROJECT:				
(full name AND site address of project) (and full or proper description of project)				
SCMU NO:				
SUPERVISION BY THE DEPA	ARTMEN	IT OF PUBLIC WORKS AND INFRASTRUCTURE:		
<u>Mr/Ms/Me</u>	-	CONSTRUCTION PROJECT MANAGER (add full details of the project manager)		
<u>Mr /Ms/Me</u>	-	CONSTRUCTION MANAGER (add full details )		
Mr /Ms/Me		PRINCIPAL AGENT: (full particulars of agent)		
SUPERVISION BY THE PRIN	CIPAL C	CONTRACTOR:		
PRINCIPAL CONTRACTOR:		(full particulars of principle contractor / contractor)		
<u>Mr /Ms/Me</u>	-	CONSTRUCTION HEALTH & SAFETY OFFICER (add full details and contact of this officer)		
<u>Mr/Ms/Me</u>	-	CONSTRUCTION HEALTH & SAFETY MANAGER (add full details of this officer)		

<u>Mr /Ms/Me</u>	-	CONSTRUCTION HEALTH & SAFETY AGENT (add full details of this officer)
<u>Mr /Ms/Me</u>	-	CONSTRUCTION MANAGER (add full details of the head of the project)



