



Safe Work Method Statement

General Pest Management (Residential, Commercial and Timber Pest)

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Reference Document:

This SWMS is to be read in conjunction with:

WPCG Form Ref No: _____

Other: _____

Scope of Work (Description of work to be performed by Amalgamated Pest Control)

This **Safe Work Method Statement** covers all general pest management activities conducted by the Amalgamated Pest Control Group, including residential, commercial and the installation of termite management systems, excluding pre-construction.

Description of Activities to be Performed

Major Job Steps (Break down the job steps)	Potential Hazards (What can harm you?)	Risk Score Before Controls	Actual Risk	Risk Score After Controls	Possible Control Measures (Can this task be done safe?)	Responsible Person
1. Arrival on site	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Moving vehicles Access to site Client unaware of person on site 	Medium	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Struck by mobile plant/moving vehicles Impeding flow of traffic and interfering with clients operation Damage to own/other vehicles Exposed to hazardous situation Poor service arising from poor communication 	Low	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> High visibility clothing Park in appropriate areas Advise client of presence on site prior to arrival and on arrival, and vehicle location if no designated parking Display your identification Sign into Site Visitor's Log Book and obtain site VISITOR'S Tag if required 	Technician on site
2. Site Inspection (Internal & external)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Vehicles/mobile plant (forklift) Falling objects Slip/trips and falls Hitting objects Gravity Hazardous substances Noise Biological factors 	Medium	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Struck by mobile plant/vehicles Struck by objects Falls/injuries Excessive noise exposure/hearing loss Insect bite/sting 	Low	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> High visibility vests/clothing Appropriate P.P.E.(including hard hat) where necessary Long sleeves and trousers Sturdy boots in good condition Ensure others on site are aware of your presence 	Technician on site

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3. Mixing of chemicals	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hazardous substances • Manual handling/body stressing • Slips/trips • Environmental • Spillage 	Medium	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Splash, inhalation, absorption, ingestion of hazardous substances • Musculoskeletal injury (back strain etc...) • Spill/chemical contamination and leaks • Exposure/reactions to bystanders 	Low	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Handle according to manufacturers instructions (including the label and S.D.S.) • P.P.E. respirators, elbow length gloves, face shield overalls etc... (refer to product label and S.D.S.) • Wear moisture resistant work boots with adequate grip. • Mix on level ground, inside bunded areas, away from others • Replace lid on container • ALWAYS use back flow prevention device • ALWAYS have spill response kit available • Employ correct lifting techniques • Use less hazardous chemicals if appropriate 	Technician on site
4. Plant and equipment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Electrical energy • Manual handling/body stressing • Trips/falls (self and others) • Noise • Vibration 	Medium	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Electrocution/electric shock • Musculoskeletal injury (back strain etc...) • Trip on leads and equipment (self and others) • Slipping on excess liquid (self and others) • Excessive noise exposure/hearing loss • Digestive complications, fatigue, nerve damage, decalcification of carpal tunnel caused by excessive vibration 	Low	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Follow Testing and Tagging procedures for electrical equipment • Use Earth Leakage Circuit Breaker (ELCB) at all times (at the source) • Locate electrical leads and equipment away from walkways. Suspend leads if possible • Do not place leads in doorways • Electrical equipment is not to be used in a damp/moist environment • Locate and isolate all electrical services prior to drilling into walls and floors • Clean up and advise client immediately of any spills • Wear correct, well maintained hearing protection where instructed • Limit exposure to vibrating equipment • Employ correct lifting techniques 	Technician on site
5. Application of pesticides	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hazardous substances • Manual handling/body stressing • Slips/trips • Environmental contamination • Poorly maintained equipment • Biological factors • Hitting objects • Noise • Temperature • Fire • Electrocution 	Medium	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Exposure to (Inhalation, absorption, ingestion) hazardous substances • Spill/chemical contamination and leaks • Musculoskeletal injury (back strain etc...) • Spray drift onto people and property • Spider/insect bite/sting • Struck by vehicle • Excessive noise exposure/hearing loss • Heat stress • Ignition sources from electrical appliances, pilot lights and open flames – liquids and solvents 	Low	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wear high visibility clothing • Wear appropriate P.P.E. according to label and S.D.S. (respirator, gloves, face shield, hat, overalls, moisture resistant boots etc...) • Apply according to Treatment Policies (do not over apply) • Treat according to local environmental conditions • Substitute to less hazardous chemical • Advise clients and public of treatments (signage) • Clean up and advise client of spills • Plan application to avoid moving under areas just treated. • Employ correct lifting techniques • Wear correct, well maintained hearing protection where instructed • Limit time exposed to hot/cold environment. Keep well hydrated • Isolate and remove ignition sources when required, by turning off pilot lights, or switching off electrical equipment that could become an ignition source – This must always be done in consultation with site contacts. 	Technician on site

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6. Ladder use	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Working at height/gravity Electrical energy Manual handling 	Medium	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Falls from height Electrocution/electric shock Property damage (marking walls and floors) Musculoskeletal injury (back strain etc...) 	Low	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Refer to Amalgamated Pest Control Ladder Usage Policy Ensure ladder is on firm footing and at 1:4 angle before use Use according to any manufacture safety warnings and training Do not erect close to stairwells or doorways Inspect ladder prior to every use for wear Keep away from all electrical wires and electrical equipment Not to be used as a work platform. Do not carry equipment on ladder likely to cause instability Ensure three points of contact with ladder at all times Employ correct lifting techniques 	Technician on site
7. Site clean up	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hazardous substances Manual handling/body stressing Hitting objects Slips/trips Electrical energy Moving vehicles Environmental 	Low	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Splash Inhalation, absorption, ingestion Spill/chemical contamination Musculoskeletal injury (back strain etc...) Falls Struck by mobile plant/vehicle Contamination 	Low	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Handle chemicals according to label and S.D.S. P.P.E. respirators, elbow length gloves, face shield overalls etc... (refer to label and S.D.S.) Wear moisture resistant work boots with adequate grip. Follow good housekeeping practices ALWAYS have spill response kit on hand Employ correct lifting techniques Substitute to less hazardous chemicals Dispose waste material (empty containers) to an approved site 	Technician on site
8. Departure	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Moving plant/vehicles Egress off site 	Low	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Struck by mobile plant/moving vehicles Impeding flow of traffic and interfering with clients operation Damage to own/other vehicle 	Low	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> High visibility clothing Follow traffic rules and site instructions Advise client of departure off site Return visitor's badges and sign out of Site Visitor's Log Book 	Technician on site

Equipment that may be used:

List any plant, equipment, personal protective equipment that may be required for this activity (including all pest control equipment):

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Earth leakage circuit breaker	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Compressor	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Hand Puffer
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dusting Machine	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Electric Drill	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Back Pack Mister
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Amalga-mister	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ladder	

Personal Protective Equipment that may be used

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dust mask/Full face/half face respirator	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Face shield/goggles	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Overalls
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Hearing protection (ear plugs/ear muffs)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Impervious gloves	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Moisture resistant boots

Substances to be used (S.D.S. to be provided)

All substances used by Amalgamated Pest Control are registered and approved for use for pest management activities and are applied according to the manufacturer's instructions and label directions. A current Safety Data Sheet must be presented upon request.



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S.W.M.S. Approval

This Safe Work Method Statement has been prepared and approved by Amalgamated Pest Control Pty Ltd and is to be reviewed by the Compliance Manager and Technical Team every 12months.

Additional Information

This Safe Work Method Statement has been developed by Amalgamated Pest Control to ensure that the majority of risks have been identified for the type of work being performed. If there are hazards/risks present that have not been identified, it is important that these are identified and assessed using a Site Specific SWMS (F264-4) and the Risk Matrix tool (F264-3)
Amalgamated Pest Control Policy and Procedures conform to all Australian Legislation, Standards and Codes of Practice relevant to the tasks undertaken for General Pest Management..

SWMS Sign Off – Additional Hazards or JSA Requirements

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Additional Scope of Work (if applicable)						

Description of Activities to be Performed (if applicable)						
Job Steps (Break down the job steps)	Potential Hazards (What can harm you?)	Risk Score Before Controls	Actual Risk	Risk Score After Controls	Control Measures (What can you do to make the job safer?)	Person Responsible

or

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No additional hazards have been identified

Technician (Name): _____ Signature _____ Date _____

Site Contact (Name): _____ Signature _____ Date _____
(where applicable)