

PRINCIPAL CONTRACTORS DUTIES

WHS Act 2011	
s19	The Principal Contractor (as a PCBU) must ensure, so far as is reasonably practicable, the health and safety of all workers at the construction project.
s20	The Principal Contractor (as a PCBU with management or control of a workplace) must ensure, so far as is reasonably practicable, that the workplace, the means of entering and exiting the workplace and anything arising from the workplace are without risks to the health and safety of any person.
s21	The Principal Contractor (as a PCBU with management or control of fixtures, fittings or plant at a workplace) must ensure, so far as is reasonably practicable, that the fixtures, fittings and plant are without risks to the health and safety of any person.
s26	The Principal Contractor (as a PCBU that installs, constructs or commissions plant or structures) must ensure, so far as is reasonably practicable, that the way in which the plant or structure is installed, constructed or commissioned ensures that the plant or structure is without risks to the health and safety of persons— (a) who install or construct the plant or structure at a workplace; or (b) who use the plant or structure at a workplace for a purpose for which it was installed, constructed or commissioned; or (c) who carry out any reasonably foreseeable activity at a workplace in relation to the proper use, decommissioning or dismantling of the plant or demolition or disposal of the structure; or (d) who are at or in the vicinity of a workplace and whose health or safety may be affected by a use or activity mentioned in paragraph (a), (b) or (c).
s46	The Principal Contractor must, so far as is reasonably practicable, consult, cooperate and coordinate activities with all other PCBU duty holders involved in the construction project.
s47	The Principal Contractor must, so far as is reasonably practicable, consult, as required under the Act and Regulation, with all workers who carry out work at the construction project who are, or are likely to be, directly affected by a matter relating to work health or safety.

WHS Regulations 2011	
Scaffolding s225	Safe for intended use; Effectively maintained (e.g. ties not missing from scaffold);
Manage Risks s297	Must manage risks associated with the carrying out of construction work at the construction project.
Public Safety s298	Must ensure, so far as is reasonably practicable, that the workplace is secured from unauthorised access.
Safe Work Method Statements (SWMS) s299-s303	- Must prepare, or ensure there is, a SWMS for all high risk construction work undertaken at the construction project; - Must ensure all duty holders and workers comply with SWMS's; Must review all SWMS's; - Must keep copy of all SWMS's for inspection.
Underground Services (If there is excavation work) s304	- Underground services (gas, water, electricity) are located; - Relevant information is obtained from appropriate source (eg council, energex); - Give written information to relevant subbie who is doing excavation work; Keep records of information until end of construction work.

WHS Management Plan s309-s313	• Prepare a written WHS Management Plan prior to commencing work; Maintain and review the plan; • Inform all duty holders and workers of the plan; Must keep copy available for inspection.
Construction Project WHS Compliance s314	Put in place arrangements for ensuring WHS compliance at the construction project regarding: • General working environment (i.e. housekeeping, lighting, ventilation, heat, cold, amenities, facilities, etc) • First aid • Emergency plans • Personal protective equipment • Managing risks from airborne contaminants • Hazardous atmospheres • Storage of flammable or combustible substances • Falling objects • Falls
Construction Project WHS Compliance s315	manage risks to health and safety associated with the following— • The storage, movement and disposal of construction materials and waste at the workplace; • The storage at the workplace of plant that is not in use; • Traffic in the vicinity of the workplace that may be affected by construction work carried out in connection with the construction project; • Essential services at the workplace.
Hazardous Substances s344 & s346	Register of hazardous substances used on site and their SDS; Register available for inspection by persons working on site.



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