



TOOLBOX TALK



DEMOLITION

KNOW YOUR SUPERVISOR

Demolition work is high-risk. Appointing a competent Demolition Supervisor is not only a legal requirement under Construction Regulation 14(1), but also critical to ensuring the safety of everyone on site.



1. Who is responsible for making sure all demolition activities are carried out safely and legally on site?
2. What must be done before any demolition work begins?
3. Why is it important to follow the demolition method statement?

WHO IS A DEMOLITION SUPERVISOR?

A COMPETENT PERSON

APPOINTED IN WRITING

to oversee and manage all demolition-related activities. This person must have the necessary qualifications, experience, and leadership skills to ensure safe execution of the work.

KEY RESPONSIBILITIES:

SUPERVISION OF DEMOLITION ACTIVITIES

Oversee all demolition activities and ensure workers follow the approved method statement and risk assessments

HAZARD IDENTIFICATION AND RISK ASSESSMENT

Identify site-specific hazards and develop risk assessments with control measures to manage them.

SAFETY PLANNING AND IMPLEMENTATION

Develop safety plans and ensure all workers have and correctly use the required PPE.

COMPLIANCE WITH REGULATIONS

Ensure compliance with OHS regulations and that only qualified personnel perform specialised tasks.

TRAINING AND COMMUNICATION

Lead by example through safety briefings, open communication, and ensuring all workers are properly trained.

REPORTING AND RECORD-KEEPING

Report all incidents and maintain accurate records of inspections, training, and meetings.

HEALTH AND SAFETY FILE MANAGEMENT

Keep the demolition section of the safety file updated and available for inspection.



QUICK REMEMINDERS:



DISCONNECT

Never start demolition without confirming that **UTILITIES** have been safely **DISCONNECTED**



METHOD STATEMENT

Follow the sequence in the demolition **METHOD STATEMENT**



STAY AWAY

KEEP UNAUTHORISED PERSONNEL away from the demolition zone



STOP WORK

STOP WORK immediately if unsafe conditions are identified



All attendees should sign the register to confirm their attendance.



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