

ASSIST INFORMATION SHEET:

Links to national, state and territory publications:

Workplace Health and Safety

This document provides links to websites that contain national and state specific support materials for compliance with health and safety legislation for protection from hazards and risks resulting from workplace activities. Also included are Australian Standards and non-government organisations that support workplace health and safety in schools.

NATIONAL POLICY

Safe Work Australia is an independent Australian Government Statutory body that coordinates and develops national policy and strategies to improve work health and safety and workers' compensation in Australia. In order to achieve harmonisation (nationally consistent regulatory framework across all Australian jurisdictions) of the work health and safety laws across Australia, Safe Work Australia has developed a model Work Health and Safety (WHS) Act, model Work Health and Safety (WHS) regulations and model codes of practice.

These only become legally binding when they are formally enacted or passed by parliament in each jurisdiction. For information about state and territory government in Australia see <http://www.australia.gov.au/about-australia/our-government/state-and-territory-government>. Each state or territory is responsible for regulating and enforcing the laws in their jurisdiction. For links to your state/territory regulators see <http://www.safeworkaustralia.gov.au/sites/SWA>.

At the time this information sheet was written, these model laws have been implemented in every jurisdiction except Victoria and Western Australia. For '**Jurisdictional progress on the model work health and safety laws**' see the SafeWork Australia website <http://www.safeworkaustralia.gov.au/sites/swa/model-whs-laws/pages/jurisdictional-progress-whs-laws>

Safe Work Australia website: <http://www.safeworkaustralia.gov.au> Search for model WHS Act, model regulations, model legislation, model codes of practice, licensing, Safe Work Australia publications including WHS information, chemical and biological safety, guidance material, fact sheets and national compliance.

COMMONWEALTH

Safe Work Australia '**Commonwealth and national regulators**' Safe Work Australia website <http://www.safeworkaustralia.gov.au/sites/swa/about/who-we-work-with/regulators/commonwealth-national/pages/commonwealth-national-regulators> (Accessed December 2015)

ComLaw '**Commonwealth of Australia Constitution Act Section 51: Legislative powers of the Parliament**' September 2013, ComLaw website http://www.comlaw.gov.au/Details/C2013Q00005/Html/Text#_Toc43711934. For Commonwealth departments, agencies and authorities as well as those private sector organisations that are

licensed to self-insure under the '**Safety, Rehabilitation and Compensation Act 1988**' see the Comcare website http://www.comcare.gov.au/the_scheme/the_src_act

ComLaw '**Work Health and Safety Act 2011**' ComLaw website
<https://www.comlaw.gov.au/Details/C2015C00472>

ComLaw '**Work Health and Safety Regulations 2011**' ComLaw website
<https://www.comlaw.gov.au/Details/F2015C00519>

ComLaw '**Work Health and Safety Codes of Practice 2011**' ComLaw website
<http://www.comlaw.gov.au/Details/F2011L02804>

STATES /TERRITORIES

Suggested search terms for links below include Work Health and Safety (WHS) legislation, WHS Act, WHS Regulations, WHS Codes of Practice, safety alerts, hazards, equipment safety and WHS inspections.

ACT

Safe Work Australia '**Australian Capital Territory work health and safety authorities**' SafeWork Australia website <http://www.safeworkaustralia.gov.au/sites/swa/about/who-we-work-with/regulators/act-regulators/pages/act-regulators> (Accessed December 2015)

Current Information on Australian Capital Territory legislation, Acts and Parliamentary Bills can be found on the ACT Legislation Register website <http://www.legislation.act.gov.au/>

WorkSafe ACT <http://worksafe.act.gov.au/>

NSW

Safe Work Australia '**New South Wales regulators**' SafeWork Australia website <http://www.safeworkaustralia.gov.au/sites/swa/about/who-we-work-with/regulators/nsw-regulators/pages/nsw-regulations> (Accessed December 2015)

Current information on New South Wales legislation, Acts, Regulations and Parliamentary Bills can be found on the NSW Government Legislation website <http://www.legislation.nsw.gov.au/>

WorkCover NSW <http://workcover.nsw.gov.au/>

NSW Environment Protection Authority <http://www.epa.nsw.gov.au>

NT

Safe Work Australia '**Northern Territory regulators**' SafeWork Australia website <http://www.safeworkaustralia.gov.au/sites/swa/about/who-we-work-with/regulators/nt-regulators/pages/nt-regulators> (Accessed December 2015)

Department of the Chief Minister NT '**Current Northern Territory legislation database**' DCM website http://dcm.nt.gov.au/strong_service_delivery/supporting_government/current_northern_territory_legislation_database (Accessed December 2015) Current information on Northern Territory legislation, Acts, Regulations and Parliamentary Bills can be found on the NT Department of the Chief Minister's website

NT WorkSafe '**New Work Health and Safety laws**' NT SafeWork Australia website <http://www.worksafe.nt.gov.au/Legislation/New%20Work%20Health%20and%20Safety%20Laws/Pages/default.aspx> (Accessed December 2015)

QLD

Safe Work Australia '**Queensland regulators**' Safe Work Australia website
<http://www.safeworkaustralia.gov.au/sites/swa/about/who-we-work-with/regulators/qld-regulators/pages/qld-regulators> (Accessed December 2015)

Current Information on Queensland legislation, Acts, Regulations and Parliamentary Bills can be found on the QLD Government Legislation website:
<https://www.legislation.qld.gov.au/OQPChome.htm>

WorkCover Queensland <https://www.worksafe.qld.gov.au/>

SA

Safe Work Australia '**South Australia regulators**' Safe Work Australia website
<http://www.safeworkaustralia.gov.au/sites/swa/about/who-we-work-with/regulators/sa-regulators/pages/sa-regulators> (Accessed December 2015)

Current Information on South Australian legislation, Acts, Regulations and Parliamentary Bills can be found on the SA Government Legislation website: <http://www.legislation.sa.gov.au/index.aspx>

SafeWork SA: <http://www.safework.sa.gov.au/>

TAS

Safe Work Australia '**Tasmania regulators**' Safe Work Australia website
<http://www.safeworkaustralia.gov.au/sites/swa/about/who-we-work-with/regulators/tas-regulators/pages/tas-regulators> (Accessed December 2015)

Current Information on Tasmanian legislation, Acts, Regulations and Parliamentary Bills can be found on the Tas. Government Legislation website: <http://www.thelaw.tas.gov.au/index.w3p>

WorkSafe Tasmania: <http://worksafe.tas.gov.au/home>

VIC

Safe Work Australia '**Victoria regulators**' Safe Work Australia website
<http://www.safeworkaustralia.gov.au/sites/swa/about/who-we-work-with/regulators/vic-regulators/pages/vic-regulators> (Accessed December 2015)

Current Information on Victorian legislation, Acts, Regulations and Parliamentary Bills can be found on the VIC Government Legislation website: <http://www.legislation.vic.gov.au/>

WorkSafe Victoria: <http://www.worksafe.vic.gov.au/>

WA

Safe Work Australia '**West Australia regulators**' Safe Work Australia website
<http://www.safeworkaustralia.gov.au/sites/swa/about/who-we-work-with/regulators/wa-regulators/pages/wa-regulators> (Accessed December 2015)

Current Information on Western Australian legislation, Acts and Parliamentary Bills can be found on the Western Australian legislation website

<http://www.slp.wa.gov.au/legislation/statutes.nsf/default.html>

WorkSafe WA: <https://www.commerce.wa.gov.au/worksafe>

AUSTRALIAN STANDARDS (Need to be purchased from SAI Global)

http://infostore.saiglobal.com/store/results2.aspx?searchType=subjectandpublisher=ASandstatus=CurrentandOrderBy=Reference%20Number?utm_campaign=Infostore-SA-

AS 2243 - Safety in Laboratories Series (comes in 10 parts)

Click on **blue underlined Standards web address** to view cost and preview index

AS/NZS 2243.1:2005 Planning and operational aspects

<http://infostore.saiglobal.com/store/Details.aspx?ProductID=364819>

AS/NZS 2243.2:2006 Chemical aspects

<http://infostore.saiglobal.com/store/Details.aspx?ProductID=364840>

AS/NZS 2243.3:2010 Microbiological safety and containment

<http://infostore.saiglobal.com/store/Details.aspx?ProductID=1430097>

AS 2243.4-1998 Ionising radiations

<http://infostore.saiglobal.com/store/Details.aspx?ProductID=263119>

AS/NZS 2243.5:2004 Non-ionising radiations – Electromagnetic, sound and ultrasound

<http://infostore.saiglobal.com/store/Details.aspx?ProductID=364882>

AS/NZS 2243.6:2010 Plant and equipment aspects

<http://infostore.saiglobal.com/store/Details.aspx?ProductID=1409606>

AS/NZS 2243.7:1991 Electrical aspects – 2nd ed.

http://trove.nla.gov.au/work/6226903?qandsort=holdings+descand_=1394097430144andversionId=43479340

AS/NZS 2243.8:2014 Fume cupboard

<http://infostore.saiglobal.com/store/Details.aspx?ProductID=1699511>

AS/NZS 2243.9:2009 Recirculating fume cabinets

<http://infostore.saiglobal.com/store/Details.aspx?ProductID=1123612>

AS/NZS 2243.10:2004 Storage of chemicals

<http://infostore.saiglobal.com/store/Details.aspx?ProductID=364826>

AS/NZS 2982:2010 Laboratory design and construction

<http://infostore.saiglobal.com/store/Details.aspx?ProductID=1391032>

AS/NZS 3760:2010 In-service inspection and testing of electrical equipment

<http://infostore.saiglobal.com/store/Details.aspx?ProductID=1436348>

AS 4775-2007 Emergency eyewash and shower equipment

<http://infostore.saiglobal.com/store/Details.aspx?ProductID=318041>