



Confined Workspace Entry Policy

A confined workspace means an enclosed or partially enclosed space which:

- (a) Is not intended or designed primarily as a workplace,
- (b) Is at atmospheric pressure during occupancy, and
- (c) Has restricted means of entry and exit,

and which either:

- (d) Has an atmosphere containing or likely to contain potentially harmful levels of contaminant?
- (e) Has or is likely to have an unsafe oxygen level, or
- (f) Is of a nature or is likely to be of a nature that could contribute to a person in the space being overwhelmed by an unsafe atmosphere or contaminant which may be harmful.

Regulation 3.85 of the occupational, Safety and Health Regulations 1996, requires employers to ensure that work in a confined space is carried out in compliance with AS2865.

Therefore, it is the policy of Steadfast Roofing that under no circumstances should any employee enter a confined space without going through the relevant procedures and training. This would include ensuring a risk assessment of the confined space has been conducted by a competent person and specific training and instruction has been given to those who are involved in the entry.

Risk assessment must cover:

- The nature of the confined space,
- The work to be done, including the necessity to enter the confined space,
- The range of methods by which the work can be done,
- The hazards involved and associated risks,
- The actual method selected, and plant proposed, and
- Emergency and rescue procedures.

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