

APPOINTMENT OF A CONTRACTOR TO CARRY OUT WORK PACKAGE 1: TREE FELLING AND SITE CLEARANCE FOR THE COJ BIODIGESTER PILOT PLANT AT ROBINSON DEEP LANDFILL SITE, JOHANNESBURG



# BASELINE OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH AND SAFETY SPECIFICATION

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## 1. Introduction

The Development Bank of South Africa (DBSA) entered a partnership, signed, and concluded a Memorandum of Agreement (MoA) with the City of Johannesburg and University of Johannesburg in June 2018, to assist carry out the full implementing agent role for infrastructure building programme for design, construction, and operation of the Biodigester Plant on behalf of the City of Johannesburg for a period of 3 years.

The aim of the Baseline Occupational Health and Safety Specification is to make built environment specialists/ Professionals/ Contractor/s and suppliers (otherwise referred to as parties) aware of the risks relating to the scope of work, the project site as well as the project specific health and safety and the Development Bank of South Africa (DBSA) requirements that they need to adhere to in order to demonstrate their commitment towards the zero harm of the environment and persons working on all our projects (renovation, construction) and/or visiting the site.

The above-mentioned parties are expected to develop an Occupational Health and Safety plan which meets these requirements as well as the relevant applicable legislation. This specification may not thoroughly address all hazards and aspects associated with any specialised activity or operation. In such situations, contractors responsible developing shall be for their own health and safetv plans/procedures/manuals/work instructions to adequately address their specialised activities and scope of operation.

#### 1. Definitions

Adequate space: means not more than one person per square meter of floor space.

Agent: means a competent person who acts as a representative for a client.

**Baseline risk assessment:** baseline operational risks refer to the health and safety risks associated with all standard processes and routine activities in the business.

**Client:** any person for whom construction work is being performed.

**Competent Person:** means a person who has in respect of the work or task to be performed the required knowledge, training and experience and, where applicable, qualifications, specific to that work or task: Provided that where appropriate qualifications and training are registered in terms of the provisions of the National Qualification Framework Act, 2000 (Act No.67 of 2000), those qualifications and that training must be regarded as the required qualifications and training; and is familiar with the Act and with the applicable regulations made under the Act;



**Contractor:** means an employer as defined in section 1 of the Act who performs construction work and includes principal contractors. In relation to this document, where the word "contractor" is used, it will mean all or some of the following: principal contractors, appointed contractors, suppliers, vendors, service providers and consultants.

**Construction Work:** means any work in connection with:

The construction, alteration, renovation, repair, demolition or dismantling of, or addition to, Building or any similar structure.

The construction, erection, maintenance, demolition or dismantling of any bridge, dam, canal, road, railway, runaway, sewer or water reticulation system, or the moving of earth, clearing of land, the making of excavation, piling or any similar civil engineering structure or type of work.

**Construction site**: means a workplace where construction work is being performed.

**COVID-19** means the Novel Coronavirus (2019- Cov) which is an infectious disease caused by a virus, which emerged during 2019 and was declared a global pandemic by the WHO during the year 2020.

**Designer:** means any of the following persons:

A competent person who:

- Person who prepares a design
- Person who checks and approves a design.
- Person who arranges for any person at work under his/her control to prepare a design, including an employee of that person where he or H&S is the employer, or designs temporary work, including its components,
- An architect or engineer contributing to, or having overall responsibility for, the design.
- A Building services engineer designing details for fixed plant.
- A Surveyor specifying articles or drawing up specifications.
- A Contractor carrying out design work as part of a design and building project, or an interior designer, shopfitter, or landscape architect.

**DBSA Requirements:** DBSA requirements developed from instructions, policies, standards, procedures, specifications, work instructions, guidelines, or manuals.



**Decontaminating:** Use of chemicals to kill the virus after cleaning

**Fall Protection Plan:** means a documented plan which includes and provides for: All risks relating to working from a fall risk position, considering the nature of work undertaken, the procedures and methods to be applied to eliminate the risk of falling, and a rescue plan and procedures.

Hazard: means a source of, or exposure to danger.

**Hazard identification:** means the identification and documenting of existing or expected hazards to the health and safety of persons, which are normally associated with the type of construction work being executed or to be executed.

**Medical surveillance:** means a planned programme or periodic examination (which may include clinical examinations, biological monitoring, or medical tests) of employees by an occupational health practitioner or, in prescribed cases, by an occupational medicine practitioner.

**Method Statement:** is a written document detailing work procedures and sequences of operations.

**On Site/Site**: Any workplace where the contractor or his employees performs contract related work.

**Planned Task Observation:** is an independent observation made during the planned period in which the task is being executed.

**Pre-Task Risk Assessment (DSTI):** a meeting which is held prior to the commencement of the day's work with all relevant personnel associated with the work task in attendance.

**Risk:** the probability that injury or damage will occur.

**Risk Assessment:** means a programme to determine any risk associated with any hazard at a construction site to identify the steps needed to be taken to remove, reduce, or control such hazard.

**Safety Health and Environmental file:** means a file or other record in permanent form, containing the information on the H&S management system during construction including all information relating to construction phase after the handover to the Client.



**Safety, Health and Environmental Plan:** means a written plan that addresses hazards identified during the risk assessment process as well as the identified impacts in the Occupational Health and Safety Specification. This would typically include safe work procedures to mitigate, reduce or control the hazards identified and is specific to each construction project undertaken. This is usually compiled by the Principal Contractor or contractor and approved by the Client/Agent for which contracting work will be performed.

**Health and Safety Specification:** including the base line risk assessment means a documented specification of significant residual H&S requirements for a construction site, which a competent and resourced Principal Contractor or sub-contractor would not have been aware of. This is to ensure the health and safety of employees and the direct and indirect communities, as well as duty of care for the environment. The Client/Agent compiles the Occupational Health and Safety Specification which shall be specific to each construction project.

**Safe Work Procedures:** Safe work procedures are a series of specific steps that guide a worker through a task from start to finish in a chronological order. Safe work procedures are designed to reduce the risk by minimizing potential exposure.

**Self-isolation:** Anyone who is showing any mild symptoms of the COVID-19 or has had contact with someone that has tested positive for the virus must not be permitted on site and should follow procedures on self-isolation.

## 2. Scope of specification

This specification applies to the appointment of a contractor to carry out work package 1: tree felling and site clearance for the CoJ biodigester pilot plant at Robinson deep landfill site, Johannesburg. It also sets out the minimum legislative and organisational requirements for construction work that is specific to the scope of work, site and type of project.

## 3. Purpose

Indicate to all potential types of contractors the H&S requirements on the project, upon which their planning for the management of H&S will be based on and thus produce their Occupational Health and Safety Plan.



## 4. Applicability

This specification is applicable to all Principal Contractors, Contractors, Service Providers, Suppliers and all the activities and processes carried out for and on behalf of Development Bank of South Africa (DBSA) where construction work is performed. For best practice reasons, where the work scope does not fall within the definition of Construction Regulations 2014 this specification shall also apply as a minimum.

## 5. Location

The Robinson Deep landfill on the property RE/81-IR Robinson Deep.



Image 1: Robinson deep aerial view

## 6. Effective date

This specification shall be implemented from date of appointment.

## 7. Available resources

- Sewer
- Water supply
- Electrical supply
- Natural gas (Egoli Gas)

Road access through the main entrance managed by PIKITUP for Robinson Deep Landfill on to an intersection with Turffontein road and Marlborough Road with a traffic light.



## 8. Roles and Responsibilities

#### 9.1. Commitment

Development Bank of South Africa (DBSA) management takes ultimate responsibility for ensuring Safety Health and Environment compliance in all their projects. Contractors Senior Management commitment is essential in providing a safe work environment for all their employees. Managers, supervisors and employees at all levels must demonstrate their commitment by being proactively involved in the day-to-day operations, particularly H&S aspects of any project / contract. Legislation requires that each employee must take reasonable care of themselves and their fellow workers, being it senior management down to the lowest level employee.

#### 9.2. Designers

N/A

## 9.3. Principal Contractor's accountabilities for their Contractors

If the Principal Contractor needs to introduce a new contractor, the Principal Contractor must first inform the Client. Such contractors must, in every respect, meet the Client's H&S requirements.

Should the Principal Contractor appoint a contractor, the principal contractor would then have the same role and responsibility in relation to the contractors, in a similar way as the Client has in relation to the principal contractor.

The Principal Contractor is directly accountable for the actions of his contractors. The Principal Contractor will also be responsible for initiating any remedial action (recovery plan) that may be necessary to ensure that the contractor complies with all requirements.

The Principal Contractor shall ensure that the contractors appointed have the necessary competencies and resources to perform the work safely.

The Principal Contractor shall provide any contractor who is making a bid or appointed to perform construction work, with the relevant sections of the documented Occupational Health and Safety Specification, who would in turn provide the client/agent with an Occupational Health and Safety Plan for review.

The Principal Contractor shall carry out audits on the contractor at least monthly to ensure that their Occupational Health and Safety Plan is being implemented and maintained.

The Client/Agent and/or the Principal Contractor shall stop any contractor from executing construction work which poses a threat to the safety and health of persons or the environment or if it does not comply with the approved Occupational Health and Safety Plan.



The Principal Contractor shall have a disciplinary process and an organisational structured procedure to deal with employees who have transgressed organisational and legal requirements.

The Principal Contractor's Construction Manager/Supervisor shall provide a list of names and contact telephone numbers of all his employees as well as the contractor employees on site. This list shall be updated as and when new contractors commence on site.

The Principal Contractor's Construction Manager/Supervisor shall keep a record of all employees including the contractor employees, including date of induction, relevant skills and competences, and be able to produce this list at the request of the relevant officials. These records shall be filed in the H&S File.

The Principal Contractor shall ensure that his managers and supervisors give clear and definite instructions for the work in hand to the personnel for whom they are responsible for. The instructions shall include, but not necessarily be limited to:

- description of the objective/scope of work
- sequence of work/method statements
- hazard identification and risk assessment (prior to commencement of work)
- Precautionary/preventative measures that are to be taken.
- Identification of sensitive features that may be impacted upon by the project.

Employees are responsible for their own health and safety and that of their co-workers in their respective areas of work on the project. They must be made aware of their responsibilities during induction and awareness sessions some of which are:

- Familiarising themselves with their workplaces and health and safety procedures.
- Working in a manner that does not endanger them or cause harm to others.
- Keeping their work area tidy.
- Reporting all incidents/accidents and near misses
- Protecting fellow workers from injury.
- Reporting unsafe acts and unsafe conditions.
- Reporting any situation that may become dangerous.
- Carrying out lawful orders and obeying health and safety rules.



Every employee must undergo site induction provided by the Client before commencement of the contracted work. Only once this induction has been received, will each employee receive a site access permit.

It must be highlighted to all employees, that anyone who becomes aware of any person disregarding a health & safety notice, instruction or regulation shall immediately report this to the person concerned. If the person persists, stop the person from working and report the matter to the Development Bank of South Africa (DBSA)Health and Safety Agent/ Project Manager/ Principal Agent and the Principal Contractor Supervisor/ H&S Officer immediately.

## 9. Management and Supervision of Construction Work

The Principal Contractor shall ensure that the performance of all specified work is managed and supervised in accordance with the requirement of OHS Act CR 8 throughout the contract period. The number of appointed persons shall be determined by the size and the risk of the project.

#### 10. Construction Health and Safety Manager/ Officer/

For this project, the Principal Contractor shall appoint a safety officer who has at least the necessary competencies and 1 year post qualification practical experience in the type of construction work associated with the Project and who shall be responsible for overseeing overall compliance of H&S issues on the project.

#### 11. Principal Contractors / Contractors/ Service providers

The Occupational Health and Safety Specifications are Development Bank of South Africa (DBSA) minimum requirements. The contractor is expected to develop an Occupational Health and Safety Plan before commencement which meets these requirements as well as all the relevant applicable legislation. Development Bank of South Africa (DBSA) in no way assumes the Contractors legal responsibilities. The Contractor is and remains accountable for the quality and the execution of his health and safety program for his employees and contractor employees. This Occupational Health and Safety Specification reflect minimum requirements and should not be construed as all encompassing.

## 12. Project Scope of Work

PART 1: High Level Activities to be undertaken by the Contractor, not limited to the below:

- Overall Project Management, Coordination & Reporting.



- Compilation & submission of Project Implementation Plan.
- Risk Management & reporting.
- Execution of the works.
- SHEQ on site.
- Working at heights safety gear and permitting.
- Waste & material removal.
- No damage to structures and infrastructure outside the scope of work.
- Provision of necessary mobile equipment and tools, e.g., TLB, excavator or suitable earthmoving, loading, de-stumping equipment, chainsaws, etc.
- Own electricity supply generator.
- Own security.
- Cleaning of any spillages and suitable disposal.
- Removal of waste from site and disposal thereof appropriately.
- Community liaison (if applicable).
- Compilation, Submission and Approval of Occupational Health and Safety Plan and Environmental Management Plan.
- Conduct statutory inspections.
- Occupational Health and Safety Consultant (Inclusive of Monthly Occupational Health and Safety Compliance Reports, as applicable).
- Monthly consultation & reporting with the Client & other relevant stakeholders, as applicable.
- Monthly monitoring and reporting of Milestones & Labour Issues, as applicable.
- Compilation and Submission of Project Close out Report.

The contractor shall be responsible for:

- Felling of approximately 40 large trees (mainly Eucalyptus) and some smaller bushes.
- De-stumping by excavation of felled tree roots, complete including filling in holes.
- Wood size reduction (for firewood production) and removal. Then tonnage of firewood produced should be reported to the Employer.
- Removal and disposal of unusable waste pieces to Robinson Deep landfill (onsite).
- Levelling of pavement and holes where stumps are excavated.
- Cleaning of site after operations.

The specific primary objective is to procure the services of a suitably qualified and experienced contractor to carry out the work as per scope of work detailed above. The contractor will be responsible for the Health and Safety compliance, building regulations standards compliance, quality control and assurance, etc., as detailed in the Tender Scope.

## \*\*The scope of works may be adjusted by the Client when necessary.



## 13. Client and Principal Contractor: Details, Accountabilities and Responsibilities:

Principal Contractor shall specify all the details for their projects appointment and should enclose their accountabilities in terms of their legal appointment.

Name	Position	Role
Niraj Naamdhew	Senior Programme Manager	Technical
Divan le Roux	Quantity Surveyor	Technical
Nonhle Dlamini	Civil/Structural Engineer	Technical
Simon / Tender	Procurement & Tender Officer	SCM
Cindie Venter	OHS Specialist	OHS
Mxolisi Maome	Legal	Legal/ Contract
Attie Ferreira	Project Manager: Project Prep.	Technical
Darius Boshoff	Energidrop: Owner's Engineer	Technical
Nandipha Rambau	OHS Agent	OHS

#### 13.1. The Development Bank of South Africa (DBSA) Project Organogram

## 14. Principal Contractor Organogram

The Principal Contractor shall provide an organisational organogram related to this project, listing all the levels of responsibility from the Chief Executive down to the supervisors responsible for the project. The diagram must list the names of appointees and their roles and responsibilities. The Principal Contractor is responsible for keeping copies of all of the organograms' as well as submitting those of their appointed contractors, with the Occupational Health and Safety Plan. All organograms shall be updated timeously when appointments are changed and filed in the project H&S file.

## **15. Principal Contractors**

The Principal Contractor carries primary accountability and responsibility for the health and safety of his/her employees and his/her contractors within his/her working area, as contemplated by Section 37(2) of the OHS Act. None of the additional safety requirements specified by the Client reduces the Principal Contractor's accountability and responsibility for the health and safety of his employees and contractor employees within his working area.

The Principal Contractor shall be appointed by Development Bank of South Africa (DBSA) on the awarding of the contract and shall be responsible and accountable for all legislative and Development Bank of South Africa (DBSA) requirements for the duration of the contract. The Principal Contractor may appoint contractors to assist in the contract. All appointments shall be done in writing.



## 16. Compliance and Non-Conformances

As legislation forms part of any country's legal system, the Client requires all its Contractors to comply with legislation as part of the contract. All expenses to the Contractor, which result from compliance with this legislation as well as special requirements specific to the site, will be for the Contractors account.

Should the Principal Contractor appoint a contractor, the Principal Contractor would then have the same role and responsibility in relation to the contractors, in a similar way as the Client has in relation to the Principal Contractor.

The Client/Agent's representative reserves the right to stop work and issue a nonconformance report whenever safety, health or environmental violations are observed for both Principal Contractors and/or their contractors. Expenses incurred as a result of such work stoppage and standing time shall be for the Principal Contractors account. Any nonconformances/findings/observations found in these audits/inspections on contractors shall be raised and discussed with the relevant Principal Contractor (with whom the contractor is contracted with).

The requirements within this specification should not be considered to be exhaustive and the Client reserves the right to add, delete or modify conditions where it is considered to be appropriate.

No claim will be accepted as a result of any costs or delays being incurred due to the Principal Contractor or his contractors not complying with legislation, this Occupational Health and Safety Specification or their Occupational Health and Safety plan approved by the Client.

## 17. Legal and Other Requirements

It is required that all Contractors on site comply with the relevant applicable legislation, specifications, and standards in accordance with the scope of the project:

No	Legal reference	Purpose
1	Occupational Health and Safety Act 1993 (Act 85 of 1993) and Regulations (As amended).	OHS compliance
2	COID Act	Compensation (Occupational injuries and diseases)
3	OHSAS 18001, ISO 9001 and ISO 14001-Contractor shall use this as guidelines.	International standards for health and safety, quality and environmental compliance

As a minimum but not limited to the following:



4	Local Authority by Laws	Applicable to OHS (ie. Public health)
5	The Constitution of the Republic of South Africa (particularly Section 24 of the Bill of Rights)	Applicable to overall construction project
6	National Environmental Management Act No. 107 of 1998	Air Quality Water Usage Licenses Waste Management
7	Basic Conditions of Employment Act 75 of 1997.	Labour compliance
8	Relevant DBSA Procedures and standards	Applicable to OHS
9	National Environmental Management Act 59 of 2008 (NEMA)	Waste management
10	Hazardous Substances Act 15 of 1973 and many other relevant	Hazardous chemical substances management
11	National Building Regulations	Overall
12	OHS Measures in the Workplace – COVID - 19	COVID-19 site management
13	Construction Regulations, 2014	Applicable to overall construction project
14	Driven Machinery regulations, 2015	Construction vehicles, mobile plant, and other machineries to be used on site
15	Electrical Installation regulations 2009	Temporal and permanent electrical installation compliance
16	Ergonomics Regulations, 2018	Site condition compliance
17	General administrative regulations, 2003.	All health and safety documentation
18	General safety regulations, 1986.	Employee health and safety
19	Facilities regulations 2004.	Employee facilities during execution of work
20	Baseline health and Safety Specification	OHS compliance

It is the duty of the Principal Contractor and contractor to ensure that they are familiar with the necessary Occupation Health and Safety Legislation required.

The Principal Contractor shall compile a legal register listing all applicable legislation and standards that may have an impact on the scope of work that they are performing on the construction project. The register shall be updated biannually.

## 18. Section 37 (2) (Legal) Agreement

A section 37(2) agreement and Construction Regulation 5 (1) (k) must be signed between Development Bank of South Africa (DBSA) and the principal contractor at the time of awarding the contract.



The principal contractor must ensure that a section 37(2) agreement is compiled between the principal contractor and all their appointed contractors for the contract.

The original copy of the section 37(2) agreement must be retained by the contractor and a copy retained by the Development Bank of South Africa (DBSA) responsible Project manager/ Programme Manager.

Copies of all agreements must form part of the respective contractor's H&S file.

## 19. Hazardous Work by Children (Child Labour)

The constitution of the Republic of South Africa, in the "Bill of Rights" is clear on the rights of children, especially when it comes to:

- a) being protected from exploitative labour practices.
- b) not to be required or permitted to perform work or provide services that.
- are inappropriate for a person of that child's age; or
- place at risk the child's well-being, education, physical or mental health or spiritual, moral or social development; and the Basic Conditions of Employment Act, Chapter six Section 43 "Prohibition of employment of children".
- Before resorting to the use of child labour, due consideration must be given to the rights of the child in terms of the constitution.
- Where work is being performed which is not prohibited in terms of the constitution, then such work must be conducted in terms of the OHS Act "Regulations on Hazardous Work by Children in South Africa" with emphasis on paragraph 2 Purpose and Interpretation.
- Development Bank of South Africa (DBSA) does not condone the use of child labour and therefore all efforts must be exercised to avoid it.

## 20. Construction work permit

N/A.

## 21. Construction Professional Registration

N/A



## 22. H&S/Q Policy

The Principal Contractor and the contractor companies shall each have a H&S/Q Policy authorised by their Chief Executive (OHS Act Section 16(1) appointee) that clearly states overall H&S/Q objectives and commitment to improving Safety, Health, Environment and Quality performance and must be displayed and shared with all stakeholders.

DBSA has a H&S Policy that clearly states the guiding principles by which Development Bank of South Africa (DBSA) operates and the commitment to H&S excellence and is authorised by the DBSA CEO.

## 23. Costing for H&S

The Principal Contractor/contractor shall ensure that the submitted tender adequately made provision for the cost of Health, Safety and Environmental measures.

# *Note: the costing for H&S must be itemised based on the overall scope of the project (i.e.) Training, provision of PPE, safety equipment purchases etc.*

## 24. Appointment of a Principal Contractor

The Principal Contractor will be appointed by Development Bank of South Africa (DBSA) Project Manager on the awarding of the contract and shall be responsible and accountable for all legislative and DBSA requirements for the duration of the contract.

Contractors shall not commence with the project work until such times as he/H&S has been appointed in writing in terms of OHS Act Construction Regulation 5(1)(k), by Development Bank of South Africa (DBSA) Programme Manager/ Director.

## **25. Appointment of Contractors**

The Principal Contractor may appoint contractors to assist in the contract. All appointments shall be done in writing and will form part of the Occupational Health and Safety Plan that is required to be submitted to DBSA. Adequate training and instruction must be given to the appointees and the principal contractor must ensure that all appointed contractors understand their roles and responsibilities.



#### 26. Appointments and Competencies/ Training

The Principal Contractor shall ensure that all their appointees are made aware of their accountabilities and responsibilities in terms of their appointment and advise and assist these appointees in the execution of their duties.

The Principal Contractor shall ensure that competent persons are appointed in writing in accordance with the applicable appointments. Copies of all the appointments shall be kept in the H&S File, and Competence certificates attached to the appointment.

The aim of this section is to outline DBSA's expectations with respect to the scope of the training which the Principal Contractor and contractor employees receive. The scope of the training includes but is not limited to the type of work being performed and the relevant procedures. In addition to the requirements, the Principal Contractor and contractor employees would require the appropriate qualifications, certificates, and be under competent supervision. (See Annexure B for training requirements per legal appointment).

#### 27. Site Induction

#### General construction site induction carried out by the Principal Contractor.

The Principal Contractor shall ensure that all his employees and contractor employees undergo their company induction with regard to the approved Occupational Health and Safety Plan, general hazards prevalent on the construction site, construction risk assessment, rules and regulations, and other related aspects.

Proof of client site specific induction signed by Inductor and trainee must be kept on site.

#### 28. Visitors to Site

All visitors must remain in the care and custody of a person (host) who has been properly inducted. No visitors are permitted to undertake any construction work, of any nature and walk on site unaccompanied.

#### 29. Access and Security Control

Access and Security control shall be done Employees, contractors and visitors shall be subjected to induction training and substance abuse tests when entering sites, or as and when required whilst on sites substance test must be done.



The following are prohibited items and shall not be allowed on Development Bank of South Africa (DBSA) sites unless the necessary authorisation for possession has been obtained:

- Firearms
- Liquor/ Alcohol
- Dangerous weapons
- Drugs (excludes items/ substances authorised for use and possession of medical centres or in possession under doctor's prescription)
- Any other items that may be declared prohibited.

#### **30. Contractor's Site Facilities**

Site facilities shall be established and maintained by the contractor or be maintained as agreed with the Site Manager and/or in accordance with the contractual agreement. The facilities include, but are not limited to the following: (refer to OHS Act Construction Regulation 30)

- Temporary Facility Layout Plan
- Ablution facilities
- Site Offices and Amenities
- Lay down and Storage.
- Temporary Site Services
- Storages
- The Principal Contractor must develop their site establishment procedure.

## 31. Public Safety

Legislation requires that employers shall be responsible, as far as reasonably practicable, for safeguarding persons other than those in their employment who may be directly affected by their activities so that they are not exposed to hazards to their health and safety (Section 9 of the OHS Act).Contractors shall factor in, in their safety plan, how they intend safeguarding/ controlling any members of the public against their activities during the project.

## 32. Project and Site Rules (Zero Harm to People and the Environment)

Any non-compliance to any health and safety requirement in this Occupational Health and Safety Specification is subject to discipline/removal of person from the project site.



No person shall enter the construction site without undergoing Covid-19 screening.

No person shall damage, alter, remove, render ineffective, or interfere with anything that has been provided for the protection of the site, or for the health and safety of persons.

No person under the influence of alcohol, drugs or medication (in a state of intoxication) or any other condition that may render him incapable of controlling himself or of other persons under his charge shall be allowed to enter the site.

All safety and warning signs shall always be obeyed.

Entering or leaving the site will only take place at official access control points and may only be done via the official designated walkways.

All employees shall adhere to the H&S and other site-specific rules.

The Principal Contractor must have a process in place to address employees that have contravened Health and Safety Requirements.

#### 33. Smoking

Smoking is only permitted at designated areas in accordance with the requirements of the principal contractor smoking policy. Smoking area should be designated with a sign and fire extinguishers next to it.

#### 34. Cellular Phones

Do not use Cellular phones in areas where cell phone usage is prohibited, when driving or operating Construction vehicles, and when busy with High-risk activities like climbing the scaffolding.

#### **35. Fire Extinguishers**

All fire extinguishers shall be:

- Clearly labelled.
- Conspicuously numbered
- Entered in a register.
- Inspected monthly by a competent person.
- Tested and serviced at recommended intervals by an accredited supplier.
- Results shall be entered in the register and signed by competent person.
- No open or unattended fires are allowed within the construction site.



• A Principal Contractor shall have a layout plan of a site indicating where all his firefighting equipment is located.

## 36. Vehicles and Traffic Rules

Ensure that all drivers and passengers wear seatbelts, where fitted, while travelling in a motor vehicle. Vehicles not fitted with seatbelts must be retrofitted according to the vehicle manufacturer's specifications.

Ensure that no employees, including contractor employees, when performing work for DBSA, will be transported in the back of open vehicles.

#### **37. Substance and Drug Abuse Management**

The Principal Contractor shall provide a Substance Abuse management policy.

#### 38. Disciplinary Process

The Principal Contractor shall have a disciplinary process and an organisational structured procedure to deal with employees who have contravened organisational and legal requirements.

## **39.** Hazard Identification and Risk Assessment

DBSA Has to prepare and provide a Baseline Risk Assessment for an intended construction work project to the contractor / service providers as part of the contract package.

The Principal Contractor/ service providers shall develop a Risk Assessment in line with Construction Regulation 9 (1) (a-e).

Emerging risks and hazards must be managed during construction work. This means that if there are significant changes to a process or activity, or any new process, then these should also be subjected to risk assessment.

All risks must be rated.

Activity based risk assessments shall be conducted by an appointed and competent person of the Principal Contractor.



## 40. High Risk Activities

- When the Principal Contractor and/or his contractors are working in an area where a high health and safety hazard exists, the Principal Contractor shall:
- Ensure that permanent and adequate on-site supervision is available for the entire duration of the work that is being conducted.
- Ensure the use of safety standbys in areas of high-risk activities, and activities that fall within the scope of the permit to work system.
- Provide, erect and maintain all the required barricading, lighting, flags, flashing lights, or other safety control equipment to enable operations to proceed in a safe manner.
- Maintain, at all times, defined access ways, which are clear of objects or obstructions, to allow for emergency vehicle entry; and
- Speeding Trucks; speed limits to be maintain at 20 KM Per Hr.
- The following main hazards and risks were identified on site:
- Fire and explosion
- Working at heights
- Tree felling (stuck and strike by)
- Waste management risks
- Stacking and storage of trees
- Excavations (around tree stumps)
- Transporting and driving on site risks
- Use of hazardous chemical substances .



## 41. Pre-Task Risk Assessment (DSTI)

The Contractor shall daily and for every task to be performed, conduct a pre-task risk assessment with all employees involved with the task(s). The pre-task risk assessment will form the basis of the daily pre-job brief/toolbox talks prior to the start of work. This will highlight critical steps from the safe work procedure to ensure that work is performed in a safe manner. Proof of communication as well as confirmation that it was received and understood by all will be noted on a standard form, which will be kept at the job site during the job execution. The completed signed pre-task risk assessment form shall be filed in the Principal Contractor's safety file.

## 42. Safe Work Procedures and Practices

There must be approved method statements and or Safe Work/Operating Procedures for all the high-risk activities as identified in the risk assessment. No work shall be carried out without an approved method statement.

The supervisor / team leader shall ensure that all employees are trained on all applicable Method Statements Records of training/ awareness shall be kept on site.

## 43. Planned Task Observations (PTO)

The Principal Contractor shall provide the planned task observation procedure or process covering but not limited to the following:

- Persons responsible for monitoring the task and carrying out the Planned Job Observation must be the supervisor.
- Planned job observations should be conducted in such a way that the employee is observed against the actual steps (of the written Method Statements) to be followed when performing a task and be marked against compliance with each step. This will assist in determining employee competence and compliance. Record should always be kept.
- The supervisor who conducts the PTO must have a copy of the PTO to ensure that the employee is following the steps.
- Where the employee did not comply or did not follow the required steps, this should be indicated on the report and actions be taken to correct the deviation.

## 44. Fall protection (work carried out at heights)

A competent person must be appointed for the management of work carried out at heights is carried out safely as per CR 10 which includes carrying out the following:

- A risk assessment will be required for any work to be carried out above two (2) meters from the ground. This work will be classified as "work carried out at heights".



- As far as is reasonably practicable, any person working at heights will work from a platform, ladder or other device that is at least as safe as if he is working at ground level. Whilst working in this position he shall be wearing a single belt with lanyard to prevent the person falling from the platform, ladder or other device. This safety belt will be, as far as is possible, secured to a point away from the edge over which the person might fall and the lanyard must be of such a length and strength that the person will not be able to move over the edge.
- Alternatively, any scaffold or surface forming an edge over which a person may fall may be fitted with suitable guard rails at two different heights as prescribed in the relevant South African National Standard for the design, erection, use and inspection of access scaffolding.

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- here the requirement in the paragraph above is not practicable, the person will be provided with a full body harness that will be worn at all times and shall be attached above the wearer's head at all times. The lanyard must be fitted with a shock-absorbing device or the person must be attached to a fall arrest system (anchorage connector; body wear; and connecting device) approved by the Client. Where the requirements in the paragraph above are not practicable, a suitable catch net must be erected.
- Employees working in at heights must be trained to work without risk to their health and safety or to the health and safety of others and be declared medically and psychologically fit to perform work at elevated positions.

## 45. Excavations

Excavations will only be performed when removing tree stumps or ground leveling. Excavation work must be carried out under the supervision of a competent person, who has been appointed in writing. Before excavation work begins the stability of the ground must be evaluated.

Whilst excavation work is being performed, the contractor must take suitable and sufficient steps to prevent any person from being buried or trapped by a fall or dislodgement of material.

No load or material may be placed near the edge of an excavation unless suitable shoring has been installed to be able to carry the additional load.

Neighboring/ adjoining buildings, structures or roads that may be affected or endangered by the excavation must be suitably protected.

Every excavation must be provided with means of access where applicable.



The location and nature of any existing services such as water, electricity, gas etc. must be established before any excavation is commenced with and any service that may be affected by the excavation must be protected and made safe for workers in the excavation.

The appointed competent person must inspect every excavation, including the shoring and bracing or any other method to prevent collapse, as follows:

- Daily before work commences
- After every blasting operation
- After an unexpected collapse of the excavation
- After substantial damage to any supports
- After rain

The results of any inspections must be recorded in a register kept on site and in the safety file.

Every excavation accessible to the public or that is adjacent to a public road or thoroughfare or that threatens the safety of persons, must be adequately barricaded or fenced to at least one meter high and as close to the excavation as practicable, regardless of the depth of the excavation.

## 46. Scaffolding

Access scaffolding must be erected, used and maintained safely in accordance with Construction Regulations and relevant SANS Code of Practice. Detailed consideration must be given to all scaffolding to ensure that it is properly planned to meet the working requirements, designed to carry the necessary loadings and maintained in a sound condition. Sufficient material must be available to erect the scaffolding properly.

Scaffolding must only be erected, altered or dismantled by persons who have adequate training and experience and are competent in this type of work and under the continuous supervision of such a person.

## 47.Construction vehicles and mobile plant

The Client will inspect construction vehicles and mobile plant prior to being allowed on a project site. Suppliers of hired vehicles, plant and equipment will be required to comply with this specification as well as the Occupational Health and Safety Act (Act no. 85 of 1993) and its Regulations.

Construction vehicles and mobile plant to be:



- Of acceptable design and construction;
- Maintained in good working order;
- Used in accordance with their design and intention for which they were designed;
- Operated and/or driven by trained, competent and authorised operators/drivers. No unauthorised persons are to be allowed to drive construction vehicles and mobile plant;
- Provided with safe and suitable means of access;
- Fitted with adequate signalling devices to make movement safe including reversing;
- Provided with roll-over protection (where applicable);
- Inspected daily before start-up by the driver, operator and/or user and the findings recorded in a register/logbook;
- Fitted with two head and two taillights that are in good working condition and must be used whilst operating under poor visibility conditions;
- When used for transporting persons must have seats firmly secured and sufficient for the number of persons being transported.

Operators and drivers of construction vehicles and mobile plant must be in possession of a valid medical certificate of fitness issued by an occupational health practitioner in the form of Annexure 3 of the regulations declaring the operator and/or driver fit to operate or drive construction vehicles and mobile plant.

No loose tools, materials etc. are allowed in the driver and/or operators compartment/cabin or in the compartment in which any other persons are transported.

No person shall ride on any construction vehicle or mobile plant otherwise than in a safe place provided thereon for that purpose. Employees shall only be transported if provision for seating and safety belts has been provided with an adequate canopy or rollover protection.

All construction vehicles and mobile plant left unattended at night, adjacent to a freeway in normal use or adjacent to construction areas where work is in progress, must have appropriate lights or reflectors, or barricades equipped with appropriate lights or reflectors, to identify the location of the vehicles or plant.

Bulldozers, scrapers, loaders, and other similar mobile plant must, when being repaired or when not in use, be fully lowered or blocked with controls in a neutral position, motors stopped and brakes set.

## Self-Propelled Mobile Machinery

All Self-Propelled Mobile Machinery must be inspected daily and the findings recorded in a register. Pre-use inspection checklist shall identify critical items that would stop the operator from operating machinery should a defect be detected.



All operators shall be tested on their ability to operate machinery and equipment inspected prior to be used on any of the premises by the Client Project Inspectors and

Responsible Engineer. Relief drivers shall be made available for mobile machinery where there is a need for on-going operations and the contractor shall establish a rotation schedule.

All Drivers/Operators shall be appointed under the applicable legislation prior to operating any type of mobile equipment or machinery:

- If Driver/Operator does not adhere to the rules and regulations his appointment as operator shall be cancelled and he shall not be able to carry on with his duty.
- No Driver/Operator shall be appointed without proof of training, driver's licence or letter of competency.
- No training of Drivers/Operators on Site.
- No passengers on dump truck, Loaders or Excavators.
- No eating or drinking allowed while operating equipment.
- No vehicle shall be left unattended with engine running or key in ignition.
- Drivers may use no cellular phones during operations.

#### 48. Occupational Health, Rehabilitation and Hygiene

All contractors are required to develop an Occupational Health, Hygiene and Rehabilitation program. The program is intended to ensure that the risks to health are identified and controlled. This Program will manage all employees awarded fitness certificates with restriction and having chronic illness e.g., high blood pressure.

## 49. Compensation of Occupational Injuries and Diseases Act (COIDA)

The Principal Contractor shall submit proof of registration and letter of good standing with the compensation fund or with an approved licensed compensation insurer for his company and each of his contractors'. This must remain valid for the duration of the contract. The Letter of Good Standing shall reflect the name of the Principal Contractor and/or Contractor Company.

#### **50.Employee Health and Wellness Programme**

Principal Contractor shall submit details of their Employee Health and Wellness Programme as part of their Health and Safety Plan which should include a Medical Surveillance Program and an Employee Assistance Program.



## a. Medical Surveillance Programme

The Principal Contractor shall ensure that all employees are registered on a medical surveillance programme and are in possession of a valid medical fitness certificate. The certificate of fitness Conducted by the registered Occupational Medicine Practitioner/Occupational Health Nurse Practitioner in the form of Annexure 3 of Construction Regulations 2014. should be relevant to the type of work (risk based) that the employee will be exposed to. This will require each employee to have a risk-based person job specification that will be used as a basis for medical examination.

The Principal Contractor must ensure that his employees and contractor employees have undergone pre-entry medical examination before starting work on site, **no** *employee will access site without a valid medical fitness certificate.* 

On completion of the project an exit medical examination shall be conducted.

#### b. Emergency Care

A list of emergency numbers must be posted and contact numbers in the site office. The Principal Contractor shall ensure that his employees and contractor employees are familiar with the emergency numbers.

Contractors shall have one first aid box for the first 5 persons and thereafter one for every 50 or team of workers on site or part thereof.

More first aid boxes shall be provided if the risks, distance between work teams or workplace requirements require it (it should be available and accessible for the treatment of injured persons at that workplace).

Minimum contents of a first aid box: (Refer to GSR 3 Annexure of the OHS Act)

A prominent notice or sign shall be erected in a conspicuous place at a workplace (SANS1186 approved signs to indicate location of first aid boxes), indicating where the first aid box or boxes are kept as well as the name and contact details of the First Aider of such first aid box or boxes.

#### c. Rehabilitation

Where any contractor's employee is injured at work to the extent that they require rehabilitation, then this must be given, using the services of an appointed rehabilitation organisation.

#### 51. Emergency Preparedness and Response

The Principal Contractor shall provide a site-specific emergency response plan.



Principal Contractor, together with his contractors, shall develop their own emergency response plan The Principal Contractor will ensure that his employees and his contractor employees are trained on this plan.

Quarterly emergency drills shall be undertaken, and this must be recorded and provided on request.

Emergency procedures shall include but not limited to, fire, spills, accidents to employees, use of hazardous substances, damage of vital resources such as water, electricity, etc. **NB**. A separate risk assessment and safe work procedure for the identification, location and exposure and protection of existing services is required for submission, review and approval by the DBSA health and safety project manager/ health and safety agent.

## 52. Fire hazard

The Contractor shall prepare a detailed fire risk assessment, ensure that staff are educated in fire prevention and will be held responsible to avoid the risk of fire. No area is to be denuded of vegetation to create firebreaks, to prevent or make fires. No open fires are allowed on site. The contractor shall ensure that operations follow statutory requirements at all times. The Contractor H&S Officer shall ensure that in areas with a high fire danger rating, staff are made aware thereof. Smoking shall be restricted to designated areas or shall not be allowed, particularly in areas that have a high fire danger rating.

## 53. Dust and Noise

The Contractor shall monitor dust and noise caused by mobile equipment, generators and other equipment during construction. Factors such as wind can often affect the intensity to which these impacts are experienced. Issue employees with the Ear plugs or Earmuffs depending on the Noise created.

To ensure that noise does not constitute a disturbance during construction activities, all construction works shall occur between specific working hours. Dust suppression measures shall be in place to reduce the dust caused by the movement of heavy vehicles.



## 54. Housekeeping

The Principal Contractor and his contractor shall maintain a high standard of housekeeping within the site. Prompt disposal of waste materials, scrap and rubbish is essential.

The Principal Contractor shall carry out regular safety/housekeeping inspections (at least weekly) to ensure maintenance of satisfactory standards. The Principal Contractor shall document the results of each inspection and shall maintain records for viewing.

*Note:* Nails protruding through timber shall be bent over or removed so as not to cause injury.

## 55. Signage

All symbolic safety signs that the Principal Contractor or his /her Contractors are to use/display shall comply with the requirements of SANS 1186.

The display of the following signage is mandatory:

- For Contractors with Site Establishment: The Contractor Company sign must be posted at their site offices to reflect the name and contact details of the: Construction Manager; Health and Safety Manager/Practitioner; First Aider; Health and Safety Representative and Evacuation warden.
- The Contractors shall provide the signage where work is conducted and where unauthorised entry is prohibited and/or where alerting and cautioning passers-by to be aware of potential dangers.
- The Contractors shall provide the signage in accordance with the scope and work area.

## 56. Hazardous Materials/Chemicals Management

HCS shall be managed in accordance with HCS Regulations of the OHS Act 85 OF 1993. Prior to any HCS being brought onto the site or produced on the site, the Principal Contractor/contractor shall keep the following on site:

- Material Safety Data H&S (MSDS) in accordance with the requirements of the OHS Act
- Regulations for Hazardous Chemical Substances.
- Proposed arrangements for safe storage.
- Proposed methods for handling/usage.
- Proposed method of disposal.
- Hazard communication / training plan.



## 57. Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)

In terms of Section 8 of the OHS Act, the duty of the employer is to take steps to eliminate or mitigate (hierarchy of control measures) any hazard or potential hazard to the safety or health of employees before resorting to PPE.

Principal Contractor's employees and his contractor employees at the construction site, including visitors, shall use the relevant internationally recognised authority approved risk-based PPE at all times, as a minimum:

- Head protection hard hat (with chin straps)
- Steel toe capped safety boots.
- Eye protection. Wearing of impact Safety Spectacles with side shields. Prescription glasses must comply with the same standard or cover impact safety spectacles must be worn over them.
- Long sleeved and long pants protective clothing.
- High visibility vests.
- Ear protection when working in a noisy area or operating a machine that creates noise.
- Dust Masks

## \*\*\*Refer to General Safety Regulation 2 of the OHS Act.

The Contractor shall ensure that his employees understand why the personal protective equipment is necessary and that they use them correctly.

Strict non-compliance measures must be administered to any employee not complying with the use of PPE and that employee shall be removed from the Site.

#### a. Issue, Replacement and Control of PPE

The Principal Contractor must provide a detailed procedure with a matrix on the issuing, maintenance and replacement of PPE for all his employees and contractors on site.

The Principal Contractor is required to keep an updated register of all PPE issued, including that of his employees and contractors.



## 58. Machinery, Tools and Equipment

The Principal Contractor shall ensure that all machinery, tools and equipment shall be listed on an inventory list and handed to security with a copy kept on site.

All machinery, tools and equipment to be regularly inspected at least monthly or as required by legislation and risk assessments, registers of tools shall be kept on the safety file. The equipment should be numbered or tagged so that it can be properly monitored and inspected.

All fuel driven equipment shall be properly maintained in accordance with the manufacturer's recommendations and legal requirements.

All employees operating or using machines and tools shall:

- Be competent.
- Have a valid certificate.
- Have proof of any form of task related training.

#### 59. Hand Tools and Pneumatic Tools

All pneumatic tools shall be numbered, recorded and inspected at least monthly as well as by users prior to use. The revolutions per minute measured shall be in accordance with the manufacturer specifications. All hand tools should be inspected at least weekly as well as by users prior to use.

Tools with sharp points in toolboxes must be protected with a cover.

#### Records

- Check list for hand tools.
- Check list for air tools including records of the measurement of revolutions on grinders.
- Gas cylinder trolley checklist Register

#### 60. Construction Sites

**Fire Safety Plan**: Prior to the commencement of construction or building alterations, a fire safety plan and risk assessment shall be prepared for the construction site.

**Fire Warning**: A suitable means of alerting site personnel to a fire shall be provided, and capable of being heard in all areas of the building.

**Portable Extinguishers:** suitable extinguishers must be available on the construction site and in cases of hot work, be readily available at the location.



**Combustible Liquid and Flammable Liquid Storage:** storage of combustible and flammable liquid on the construction site is not permitted unless stored in approved flammable cabinets or outdoors away from the buildings.

## 61. Working near Public Road

The Principal Contractor shall ensure that the area where is performed near the public road is fenced off and no community is allowed.

Work areas must be adequately barricaded to prevent unauthorised access.

#### 62. Work Stoppage

The aim of the section is to outline the conditions under which work will be stopped and the process to be followed to ensure that the worksite is rendered safe.

The temporary stoppage of an activity/activities or task(s) may be because H&S concerns, including the following circumstances which shall not warrant any financial compensation:

#### The process to be followed is:

- The relevant activity must be stopped.
- The Development Bank of South Africa (DBSA) Representative and/or Principal Contractor and his contractors shall immediately remove the workforce from the work area and correct the health and safety deficiencies by allowing only the people in the area that are competent to make the area safe.

The Development Bank of South Africa (DBSA) Representative shall review the affected parts/sections of the Occupational Health and Safety Specification with the purpose of providing sufficient H&S information to the Principal Contractor.

The Principal Contractor shall then revise the relevant sections in the Occupational Health and Safety Plan to accommodate the changes.

- Before the workforce is allowed back in the area, Principal Contractor and his subcontractors shall ensure:

Refer to requirements of Construction Regulation 4(q) of the OHS Act.

NOTE: Work stoppages that are initiated because of H&S related incidents shall not warrant any financial compensation claim lodged against DBSA.



#### 63. Compliance and Approval of Contractor Occupational Health and Safety Plan

The Contractor's Occupational Health and Safety Plan will be audited against a compliance checklist to confirm compliance to the requirements in the Development Bank of South Africa (DBSA) Occupational Health and Safety Specifications. Once compliance is confirmed, only then will the contractors Occupational Health and Safety Plan be approved by the Client.

## 64. Contractor H&S Performance Evaluation

Development Bank of South Africa (DBSA)shall evaluate contractor H&S performance on an ongoing basis against the Development Bank of South Africa (DBSA) requirements.

#### 65. Internal Audits

Contractors are required to conduct internal audits on both their employees and their contractors on the implementation of their Occupational Health and Safety Plan monthly or when the scope of work changes. A summary of the findings and the proposed corrective actions shall be submitted to the Development Bank of South Africa (DBSA) Representative on the last day of the audit. The report shall be submitted within one week after completion of the audit.

#### 66. Occupational Health and Safety Plan Audits

There will be monthly audits conducted by Development Bank of South Africa (DBSA) on the Principal Contractor/s and/or contractors. These audits shall be attended by the contractor's site manager or his representative.

Development Bank of South Africa (DBSA) reserves the right to conduct unannounced audits on contractors.

# 67. Investigation of Fatalities / Injuries / Diseases / Near Misses (Principal Contractor and Contractors)

- The Principal Contractor shall report all incidents/accidents as required in terms of legislation including near miss incidents, first aid, medical treatment, lost time incidents (lost time injuries and fatalities); Section 24 and 25 incidents; electrical contact; major equipment damage; chemical spillage and other environmental incidents within 24 hours or before the end of the work shift.
- All incident reporting, recording, classification and investigation will be done according to the requirements set out in the DBSA.
- All fatal incidents, employee and contractor incidents, shall be reviewed by the committee within one week after the incident. Preliminary investigation information shall be shared.



- If it is found that the Principal Contractor or his contractor are hiding/not reporting incidents, then steps (which may include disciplinary action) shall be taken against the Line Management of the Principal Contractor and contractor.
- A comprehensive and detailed investigation report shall be submitted to the Development Bank of South Africa (DBSA) project manager within 7 -14 days after the incident.
- The Principal Contractor shall ensure that all accidents/incidents are investigated by him/her and are discussed at the Project Executive H&S committee meeting held on site.
- Accidents/incidents shall be investigated and recorded in terms of the requirements of the Occupational Health and Safety Act, the Mine Health and Safety Act, the National Environmental Management Act and National Water Act as applicable.
- The Client/Agent shall be allowed to participate in any accident/incident investigation if the accident/incident is directly linked to any activity within the scope of the construction project.
- The Principal Contractor shall keep on site/workplace a record of all accidents and incidents reported in the form of the OHS Act Annexure B investigation form as referenced in the OHS Act. (Incident Investigation Report)
- The Principal Contractor shall provide H&S related statistics to the Client at the end of each month.
- Development Bank of South Africa (DBSA)reserves the right to conduct an independent investigation in any incident.
- All investigation teams must include at least 1 person (from both the Development Bank of South Africa (DBSA) and Principal Contractor) that is competent in Root Cause Analysis Technique.
- Contractors shall also review and analyse all incidents; to establish trends that may indicate deviations from established work standards and safe working procedures/practices. The Contractor shall take appropriate corrective action and submit report to DBSA.
- The Contractor shall investigate all incidents immediately and give the Development Bank of South Africa (DBSA) a report within the specified time frame, which shall include:
  - Date, time and place of incident.
  - Description of incident.
  - Root cause of incident/accident.
  - Type of injury (if any).
  - Medical treatment provided (if any).
  - Persons involved.



• Names of witness/s.

#### 68. Monthly H&S Statistical and Non-Statistical Reports

The aim of this section is to outline all the incidents the Contractors must report to DBSA. Reporting must not be later than the 2nd of every month.

- Incidents: Lost time, medical; first aid, near misses reported
- Manpower numbers per Principal Contractor and Contractor Company
- Actual man-hours worked.

#### 69. Contractors Occupational Health and Safety Plan

All Contractors must use the applicable H&S information herein to develop a suitable and sufficient Occupational Health and Safety Plan, submitted with tender documents, which will indicate to the Client/Agent the level of compliance to the H&S requirements. The safety, health and environment plan shall identify each construction activity to be undertaken by the Contractor, the foreseeable internal and external hazards, the specific precautions and controls that shall be necessary to ensure that the works proceeds safely and without risks to health or adjacent operations.

Upon discussions with the Principal Contractor, a final accepted Occupational Health and Safety Plan would be signed and approved. The Principal Contractor is thereafter required to do the same when procuring other contractors. The Principal Contractor will not be allowed to commence work on site until the Occupational Health and Safety Plan has been approved.

When a Principal Contractor intends appointing a contractor, the Principal Contractor shall Occupational Health and Safety Specification based on the Job/ Activities is issued to the subcontractor.

The plan shall demonstrate management's commitment to H&S and shall, the safety plan shall be reviewed to ensure that it fully addresses all the issues and complies with the requirements of the Occupational Health and Safety Specifications and contract. If necessary, the Contractor shall amend the Occupational Health and Safety Plan as required by the Client.

## 70. Omissions of this Occupational Health and Safety Specification

By drawing up this Occupational Health and Safety Specification Development Bank of South Africa (DBSA) has strived to address the most critical aspects relating to H&S issues to assist the contractor in adequately providing for the health and safety of employees on site.



Should Development Bank of South Africa (DBSA) have not addressed all H&S aspects pertaining to the work that is tendered for, the contractor needs to include it in the Occupational Health and Safety Plan and inform Development Bank of South Africa (DBSA) of such issues when submitting the tender.

## 71.H&S File

The Contractor must have a H&S file in which records of this specification and the Occupational Health and Safety Plan are kept. All information required in the specification and plan, for the duration of the Principal Contractor and contractors' contract, is to be recorded in the file.

The H&S file that will be maintained will be per construction site.

The file must be kept on site and must be available on request for audit and inspection purposes.

The H&S file shall be handed over to the Client at the end of the Principal Contractor's contract.

#### 72. Hours of Work

All work conducted on site shall fall within the legal requirements in accordance with the Basic Conditions of Employment Act.

## 73. Employees' right of refusal to work in an unsafe situation.

Employees have a duty to take reasonable care of their own as well as other person's health and safety at work and to cooperate with the employer, carry out lawful orders, including reporting unsafe situations and incidents.

## 74. Close Out Requirements

On completion of the project, all appointed contractors shall close out their project documentation and H&S Files and submit such to the Principal Contractor. The Principal Contractor shall likewise close out his/her project documentation and H&S files and handover it to the Development Bank of South Africa (DBSA) Project Manager.

The following summary of information is required in the file, but not limited to:

- Monthly H&S audit reports
- Minutes of the monthly Health and Safety Committee meetings
- Incidents & IOD



- WCA Claims
- Total Man-hours and DIFR
- Monthly internal H&S audit report
- Copies of Pre and Post Employment Medical Certificates of all employees that worked on the project.
- H&S Non-conformances ((current /outstanding)
- Copies of all Hazardous Waste Disposal Certificates (where applicable).

## 75. COVID-19 Requirements to be meet by DBSA Service Providers

Before commencement of any work on the new construction site all DBSA service provider will be required to.

- DBSA Contractors are required to develop measures to ensure that the workplace meets the standards of health protocols,
- COVID 19 prevention measures to be observed

## 76. Appropriate Personal Protective Equipment:

It is a duty of an employer to ensure that all his employees are provided with a correct PPE that meet all the requirements prescribed by minister of Health, this include but Face Cloth Masks, surgical Gloves, Facial shields/ Safety Glasses.

Provide each employee with hand sanitizers, soap and clean water to wash their hands and disinfectants to sanitize their workstations.

All employees will be required to sanitize or wash hand at the entry and exit point of the site.

Employer is responsible to issue the appropriate PPE as per the job description to each employee.

No employees are allowed to share any of their PPE.

Employers should consider locations of works to be performed strategically and arrange for specific work intervals.

PPE must be worn at all times on site.

PPE such as face masks is required by all employees or member entering the site, the said masks are to be worn on site.

- Masks should fit properly, completely covering the face from bridge of nose to chin.
- Always clean hand before putting on of removing face masks.



- Only touch the cord or elastic at the back when removing the masks.

## 77. Washing hands

Allow regular breaks to wash hands. Breaks should be divided between employee groups. Provide additional hand washing facilities (e.g., pop ups) to the usual welfare facilities. Ensure adequate supplies of soap and fresh water are readily available and kept topped up at all times.

Provide hand sanitiser (minimum 70% alcohol based) where hand washing facilities are unavailable.

Regularly clean the hand washing facilities on site.

Provide suitable and sufficient bins with to dispose hand paper towels.

## 78. Toilet facilities

Restrict the number of people using toilet facilities at any one time.

Use signage, such as floor markings, to ensure 2 metre distance is maintained between people when queuing.

Wash or sanitise hands before and after using the facilities.

Enhance the cleaning regimes for toilet facilities, particularly door handles, locks and the toilet flush.

Portable toilets should be avoided wherever possible, but where in use these should be cleaned and emptied more frequently.

Provide suitable and sufficient rubbish bins with lids for hand paper towels with regular removal and disposal.

## 79. Employees Induction, Training, Communications

Employer will be required to give induction to his/her employees upon returning to site. Induction syllabus to be included on Employer's plan on how they are going to manage COVID-19 on site. Employer should train employees daily before work commences on how COVID 19 is spread, and the preventative measures related to COVID – 19. During the inductions, trainings social distance between the employees should be observed.



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DATE	DOCUMENT VERSION	CHANGES MADE	AUTHOR

## 80. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COMPLIANCE BY CONTRACTOR

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