

# SAFETY MEMO

<b>Title:</b>	<b>Tampering of void platforms</b>		
<b>Date:</b>	Monday, 30 October 2023	<b>Memo Ref</b>	SM301023
<b>Issued to:</b>	<b>Contractors and supervisors – QLD and NSW</b>		
<b>Background:</b>	<p>There has recently been an increasing number of void platforms being tampered with on Coral Homes sites, including the removal of fixing screws and platform cover boards. This is an extremely dangerous practice which could result in serious injury to workers.</p> <p>Potential risks of altering or adjusting the void system include:</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Components may be incorrectly used or installed when put back together.</li> <li>Key areas of the platform may not be secured.</li> <li>The configuration of the void system may not be reinstated correctly.</li> </ul>		
<b>Direction to Coral Homes Contractors:</b>	<p>All safety devices are installed for your protection.</p> <p>Do not under any circumstance alter or remove the void system installed and signed off by the authorised person. Removing components or adjusting the system may expose workers to serious danger including the potential of a void platform collapse which can result in death or serious injury.</p> <p>Any contractor found in breach of these rules will be removed from site, and further failure to comply with this requirement may result in that contractor no longer being engaged for further work with Coral Homes.</p> <p>Workers should not use a void platform if:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>There are signs that the platform has been tampered with.</li> <li>The decks are damaged, broken, split, or worn out.</li> <li>Fixing screws and platform cover boards are missing.</li> </ul> <p>If a void platform is found to have been tampered with, please secure the area, and inform your site supervisor immediately so that corrective actions can be taken by the authorised person.</p>		
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