

SAFETY MEMO

Title:	Workplace Health and Safety Queensland Construction Compliance Blitz																						
Date:	Monday, 7 July 2025	Memo Ref	SM070725																				
To:	All Coral Homes QLD Subcontractors																						
Background:	<p>Workplace Health and Safety Queensland (WHSQ) have commenced a state-wide construction compliance campaign focussing on safe use of plant in the construction industry—with a focus on powered and non-powered tools and equipment.</p> <p>From July to September 2025 inspectors will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • conduct audits of construction workplaces throughout Queensland • focus on critical safety areas including machinery guarding, maintenance of plant, management of crystalline silica substances, safe use of ladders and electrical equipment, use of personal protective equipment, and whether workers are trained and supported by safe systems of work • assess compliance and take action where breaches are identified <p>Inspectors can give on-the-spot fines if there is a failure to comply with regulatory requirements.</p> <p>Non-compliance with the Work Health and Safety Act 2011 increases the risk of serious injury or death in the workplace. These incidents place significant burdens on workers, employers, and the broader community—through health costs, reduced participation, and productivity loss. Non-compliance can also lead to financial and other penalties.</p> <p>Safe, complaint worksites save lives and provide economic benefits for all Australians including businesses.</p> <div data-bbox="399 1563 1244 1989" data-label="Figure"> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Category</th> <th>Percentage / Count</th> <th>Related to</th> <th>Period</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Queensland construction deaths</td> <td>27%</td> <td>non-powered hand tools, appliances and equipment</td> <td>2003-23</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Queensland construction deaths</td> <td>8%</td> <td>powered equipment, tools and appliances</td> <td>2003-23</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Serious compensation claims in Queensland construction industry</td> <td>49,751</td> <td>non-powered hand tools, appliances and equipment</td> <td>2008-09 to 2022-23</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Queensland compensation claims</td> <td>1382</td> <td>powered equipment, tools and appliances</td> <td>2003-23</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> </div> <p><i>Key figures in the Queensland construction industry</i></p>			Category	Percentage / Count	Related to	Period	Queensland construction deaths	27%	non-powered hand tools, appliances and equipment	2003-23	Queensland construction deaths	8%	powered equipment, tools and appliances	2003-23	Serious compensation claims in Queensland construction industry	49,751	non-powered hand tools, appliances and equipment	2008-09 to 2022-23	Queensland compensation claims	1382	powered equipment, tools and appliances	2003-23
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<p>Direction to Coral Homes Subcontractors:</p>	<p>INSTRUCTION TO ALL SUBCONTRACTORS:</p> <p>You are responsible for reviewing your own systems, equipment, and work practices to ensure full compliance with safety legislation.</p> <p>WHSQ has provided some helpful links to assist you in reviewing your systems early and take proactive steps to ensure your work is fully compliant.</p> <p>Access the WHSQ resources here.</p> <p>Your actions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Complete all relevant checklists and ensure your workers are following safe systems of work. • Maintain tools and equipment to standard. • Be prepared to show evidence of your compliance if asked. <p>Thank you for your commitment to maintaining a safe and compliant worksite.</p>		
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