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Foreword

This Code of Practice was prepared by the Technical Committee on Construction Practice under the direction of the Construction Industry Practice Committee.

The Factories (Building Operations and Works of Engineering Construction)(Amendment) Regulations 1994 requires that the occupier of a worksite where the contract sum of the work to be carried out is \$10 million or more shall implement a safety management system for the purpose of ensuring the safety and protecting the health of all workers in the worksite.

This code represents a standard of good practice and has been prepared with the objective of formulating the discipline to which these procedures should conform. It also stipulates requirements for the 13 elements in the Regulations and an additional element on Occupational Health.

It is intended for those involved in construction activities especially those in the preparation, supervision and execution of major construction works. This code is also recommended to be used by the occupier of a worksite where the contract sum of the work to be carried out is less than \$10 million. It forms a basis for audit and review of the safety management system.

This code recommends the adherence to the relevant authorities' Acts and Regulations.

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1 Safety policy

1.1 Objective

The objective of the safety policy is to set down in clear and unambiguous terms the occupier's management approach and commitment to safety.

1.2 General

The occupier's management with executive or site responsibility shall define and document its policy for safety including objectives for its commitment to safety. The safety policy shall be relevant to the occupier's organisational goals and the expectations and needs of the industry. The occupier shall ensure that its policy is understood, implemented and maintained at all levels of the organisation.