

Confined Space Risk Assessment

A confined space assessment recording the task, alternatives to entry, specified hazards, controls, safe-system references and rescue planning requirements.

1. Record details and scope

Project

Filled in from the project in SiteSurvey.

Site or premises address

Client or organisation

Record date *

Person completing the record *

This supports assessment by competent people. It is not an entry permit, gas-clearance certificate, rescue plan or permission to enter based on a completed form.

HSE states that entry should be avoided where possible. Where entry is unavoidable, a safe system of work and suitable emergency arrangements are required. Assess the space and task before deciding the controls.

2. Space and alternatives

Space ID, location and task *

Contents, connected plant and previous use *

How entry could be avoided and evaluation of alternatives *

Describe alternatives to entry and the evidence behind the chosen approach. Do not start from an assumption that entry is necessary.

Assessment outcome * (choose one)

☐ Entry avoided ☐ Further planning needed ☐ Entry considered unavoidable

3. Hazards and controls

Hazard (copy this block for each one)

Specified risk and task-related hazard *

People affected and exposure route *

Isolation, atmosphere, ingress or other controls *

How effectiveness will be verified *

4. Safe system references

Approved safe system and permit process reference

Atmospheric monitoring plan and competent reviewer

Separate rescue plan and readiness evidence

Communication, supervision, training and equipment needs

5. Assessment review

Unresolved issues and conditions preventing entry *

Competent assessment reviewer *

Changes requiring reassessment

6. Actions and review

Are further actions required? * (choose one)

☐ Yes ☐ No

Further action (copy this block for each one; if applicable)

Action and evidence reference *

Person responsible *

Target date

Action status * (choose one)

☐ Open ☐ In progress ☐ Completed

Completion evidence * (if applicable)

Outstanding limitations and information to pass on

Record status * (choose one)

☐ Ready for review ☐ Further work needed ☐ Work or use stopped

Reviewed by

Review date

Author signature *

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