



Outsmart Health & Safety Code

2017

Outsmart and its member companies regard the safety of employees, the public and contractor personnel as the most important concern to our industry.

Outsmart is committed to supporting its members to improve our Health and Safety performance as well as the Health and Safety performance of contractors employed by member companies.

Our members and contractors will comply with all appropriate Health & Safety legislation.

The following guidelines are intended to promote Best Practice in relation to Health and Safety:

Safe Procedure

Members will establish a clear process for completing and periodically reviewing risk assessments and identifying risk controls.

Members will, in consultation with their employees and contractors (who can evidence their competency), ensure that safe working practices are defined for all tasks associated with the undertaking of our works.

Members will ensure that they, and our contractors, select the correct access equipment for each task and ensure that all users of access equipment (including ladders, MEWPs and access towers) are appropriately trained and competent in their use.

Members and our contractors will ensure that operatives use the Secure Ladder System (SLS) where appropriate.

Members will provide our employees with the information, training, instruction and supervision necessary to carry out their tasks safely.

Members will encourage the sharing of information that may help to improve safety performance across our industry.

Members will encourage contractors to report all accidents, hazards, incidents and near misses and ensure that all such incidents are documented and investigated.

On an annual basis, Members will provide Outsmart with individual Accident Frequency Rates (AFR) for collation and calculation of the industry average figure. This will be reviewed by Outsmart's HS&E Group with a view to targeting key areas for future improvement.

Members will ensure staff and contractors are regularly monitored onsite to ensure that work is being completed safely. Operatives will be subjected to periodic documented inspections and any non-conformances observed will be effectively resolved.

Members will undertake regular audits of their Safety Management System and implement improvements as and when required.

Members will undertake regular audits of their contractors H&S management arrangements and ensure non-conformances are corrected within a reasonable time period.

Members will ensure that only contractors are employed by them will have been assessed in relation to Health and Safety competence and compliance.

Members will support one another to encourage good practice and safe standards across all contractors.

Safe Person

Members will ensure that our personnel and contractors always wear the PPE identified through risk assessments as necessary for the task .

Members will regularly review the safety performance of all contractors and take appropriate action when required.

Safe Site

Members will only commission advertising units that can be operated safely. This includes all aspects of installation, servicing, maintenance and removal in accordance with our obligations under the CDM Regulations should they apply.

Members will ensure that a safe means of access and egress to / from our sites is maintained at all times.

Members will ensure that advertising structures including platforms are regularly inspected and documented accordingly.

Members will ensure that fall protection systems are regularly inspected by competent, independent persons.

Members will ensure that sufficient eye bolts are fitted to structures where appropriate and that they are proof load tested to 2.5kn on a regular basis.