

## EMERGENCY RESCUE PROCEDURE FOR CONFINED SPACE

**General**

Prior to every confined space entry, confirm the emergency rescue procedure that will be used and the roles of the rescue team. Where the circumstances require a different rescue procedure than listed here, it must be documented prior to commencing work in the confined space and tested. Where the site is out of the metropolitan area, confirm available response from local emergency services.

**Pre-work Preparation**

- Identify the nearest cross streets to the turret.  
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- Identify nearest medical facilities (hospital, medical centre).  
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- Site Operator is to be briefed and advised  
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- Confirm site first aid capabilities.
- Check entry and rescue equipment is operable and current in accordance with AS/NZS AS/NZS 1716-2012 and AS/NZS 1891.4-2009

**Initiation of Procedure**

The emergency procedure will be initiated immediately by the Standby and Rescue person if the entrant tugs twice on the safety line, asks for assistance or uses the agreed hand signal.

The Standby will initiate the emergency procedure immediately if they do not get a response from the entrant or the confined space environment changes i.e. gas detector alarms.

**Emergency Procedure**

- The entrant is to remain connected to tripod and winch at all times
- The worker raises the alarm with the site and contact 000
- The standby person winches the entrant out of tank to the point the entrant's thighs are level with the manway
- The worker assists the standby person by pulling the entrant to the side of the manway whilst the standby person lowers the cable
- Both the standby and worker will then drag the entrant to the agreed safe place
- The worker commences first aid whilst waiting for the emergency services to attend

<b><u>Equipment:</u></b>		Checked
Entrant:	Harness	
	Tripod	
	Lifeline	
General:	First Aid Kit	