



SYNERGISTIC

Permit to work

Permit to work comes about initially through the requirements of AS/NZS 4801:2001. This is the Australian standard for Occupational health and safety management systems. These standards define in 4.4.6 *Hazards identification/risk assessment and control of hazards/risks*, how workplace risks must be managed.

Section 4.4.6.1 General

The organization shall establish, implement and maintain documented procedures to ensure that the following are conducted: -

- a) *Hazard identification*
- b) *Hazard/risk assessment*
- c) *Control of hazards/risk; and then*
- d) *Evaluation of step (a) to (c)*

The SYNERGISTIC Permit to Work process complies with the training requirements of this section of the standards by completing training for everyone involved with the permit to work process, ensuring they complete a PTW form as a part of the training and complete the multi choice questionnaire to assess their competence.

Further assessment of the effectiveness of the people performing the permit to work process is undertaken by management audit of the process operating to ensure that the process is being carried out in accordance with the procedures.

We believe this to be the simplest process to, firstly to make people safe, comply with AS/NZS 4801:2001 the standards for safety systems management and comply with Australian state or New Zealand legislation.