

## Safe Work Practice – Mechanical Vibration Tools (Jackhammers, Tampers, Impact Drills)

## SWP-014

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### GENERAL:

To ensure that Diversified Staffing employees are protected from the hazards associated with the use of mechanical vibration tools.

### PROTECTIVE MECHANISMS:

- Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) - Part 18 OH&S Code
- Manufacturers Specifications
- Permit System
- Barricades and warning signs
- Emergency Response Plan (ERP)

### SELECTION AND USE:

- As per the job requirement
- OH&S Legislation – Part 19 Powered Mobile Equipment

### SUPERVISOR RESPONSIBILITY:

- To facilitate and/or provide proper instruction to their workers on protection requirements
- Selection of Equipment
- Hazard Assessment
- Work Site Inspection

### WORKER RESPONSIBILITY:

1. Ensure vibration suppression material is applicable.
2. Ensure work site has barricades and warning signs in place.
3. Be familiar/knowledgeable with the job procedure and equipment.
4. Know the work limits associated with equipment, including levels of sensitivity, numbness of stiffness.
5. Ensure proper PPE is utilized for task, including hearing protection

### NOTE:

- All PPE must be inspected prior to use.
- All equipment must be inspected prior to use.

**\*The information contained within this document does not take precedence over Occupational Health and Safety legislation. All employees should be familiar with the *Occupational Health and Safety Act* and the *Regulations*.**

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