

## NSW mining and extractives industry

### Purpose and objectives

The purpose of the risk control worksheet is to ensure the hierarchy of controls is applied when selecting control measures.

The objectives are to:

- demonstrate that the chosen control for each hazard is the highest achievable level of control
- ensure that health hazards have been controlled at the source rather than relying on lower order controls such as worker compliance with work procedures and correct fitting of PPE.

### Process

- Use the risk control worksheet together with the risk assessment worksheet.
- Use the flowchart in the control health risks factsheet to make sure the control measure you plan to put in place is considered a control (note procedures and training are not controls, they support controls).
- For risks where the current control is not considered a control, work through the hierarchy of controls and agree on an alternative control or additional control.
- Repeat the process for each task or process working through the hierarchy of controls for each risk.
- Involve management (if they are not already involved) and ensure the risk control is approved.
- Record risk control information on the tool "Risk Control worksheet" and set the implementation and re-assessment date.
- Reassess the risk once the new or additional control is in place. The assessment should include exposure monitoring where applicable.
- Record relevant information in the tool "Documenting a Health Control Plan worksheet".