



ACT Government
AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY
OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH AND SAFETY ACT 1989
ACT Safe Demolition Work Code of Practice
INSTRUMENT No. 343 of 2000

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

Subsection 87(1) of the ACT *Occupational Health and Safety Act 1989* ("the Act") provides that the Minister can approve codes of practice for the purpose of providing practical guidance to employers, self-employed persons and employees.

This Instrument is written pursuant to Section 87 of the Act. This instrument revokes the formerly approved Demolition Code of Practice and approves a revised ACT Safe Demolition Work Code of Practice as a code of practice under subsection 87(1) of the Act.

The revision incorporates references to the *Occupational Health and Safety Regulations 1991: Part 4 – Use of Explosives*.

The decision to approve this Code of Practice was taken after the Minister had received advice from the ACT Occupational Health and Safety Council in accordance with subsection 87(2) of the ACT *Occupational Health and Safety Act 1989*.

The information in this Code of Practice is intended primarily for those persons involved in demolition work. The purpose of this Code of Practice is to provide practical guidance for the building industry about the hazards that may be encountered during demolition work and the requirements needed to provide minimum safety standards to protect workers and members of the public at or near demolition sites.

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