

HAZARD ALERT

Gas Heaters

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REFERENCE:

OHS&W Act 1986 s19, 20 & 21

OHS&W Regulations 2010

CSH&WSA Document No. 14 – Hazard Management Procedure

CSH&WSA Document No. 15 – Plant Management

OBJECTIVE:

To ensure where worksites have gas heaters installed, that all risks are assessed, documented and control measures implemented.

BACKGROUND:

An incident occurred at a school where the gas heaters were on during a physical education lesson and a small bean bag was thrown on top of the heater. As the bean bag was too light to roll off the cage it caught on fire. The gas heaters were turned off immediately and the fire was extinguished by staff.



PREVENTATIVE ACTIONS:

- If using combustible materials within close proximity to gas heaters, the heaters are to remain off during this period of time.
- Ensure all heaters are guarded.

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