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When is a Dogging High Risk Work License (HRWL) required?

Definition of Dogging: Applying slinging techniques and the use of judgment

The use of judgment in carrying out dogging work: Applying slinging techniques means judging the suitability and condition of lifting gear and the method of slinging by considering nature of the load, its mass and its centre of gravity.

The Occupational Safety and Health Regulations 1996 (the OSH regulations): require a Dogging Work High Risk Work License (dogging license) when dogging work is performed.

Dogging work: having to apply slinging techniques for the purposes of lifting a load, including selecting the method of lifting (by consideration of the nature of the load, its mass and its centre of gravity) and inspecting lifting gear (for suitability and condition); or directing the operator of a crane or hoist in the movement of a load when the load is out of the view of the operator; and

- **includes requirements that:**

- no crane is used for multi-crane hoisting unless the hoisting is supervised by a person who holds a high risk work license authorising the person to do rigging work involving multi-crane hoisting (a Rigging Work High Risk Work License includes a dogging license as a pre-requisite); and
- at construction sites, doggers and riggers with relevant High Risk Work License and experience are involved in the use of specified cranes.

Supervision of persons doing high risk work: The regulations allow trainees to be provided with high risk work experience at the workplace providing the trainee is enrolled to do the training in that particular class of high risk work and is supervised by a person who holds a high risk work license for that class of work. It is also expected that the trainee will be working under a timetable with the aim of achieving a satisfactory assessment of competency and making an application for the relevant license to perform high risk work.

People who do not hold an HRW license or are not undergoing the appropriate training are no longer able to do high risk work, even under the supervision of a person who holds a relevant license.

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