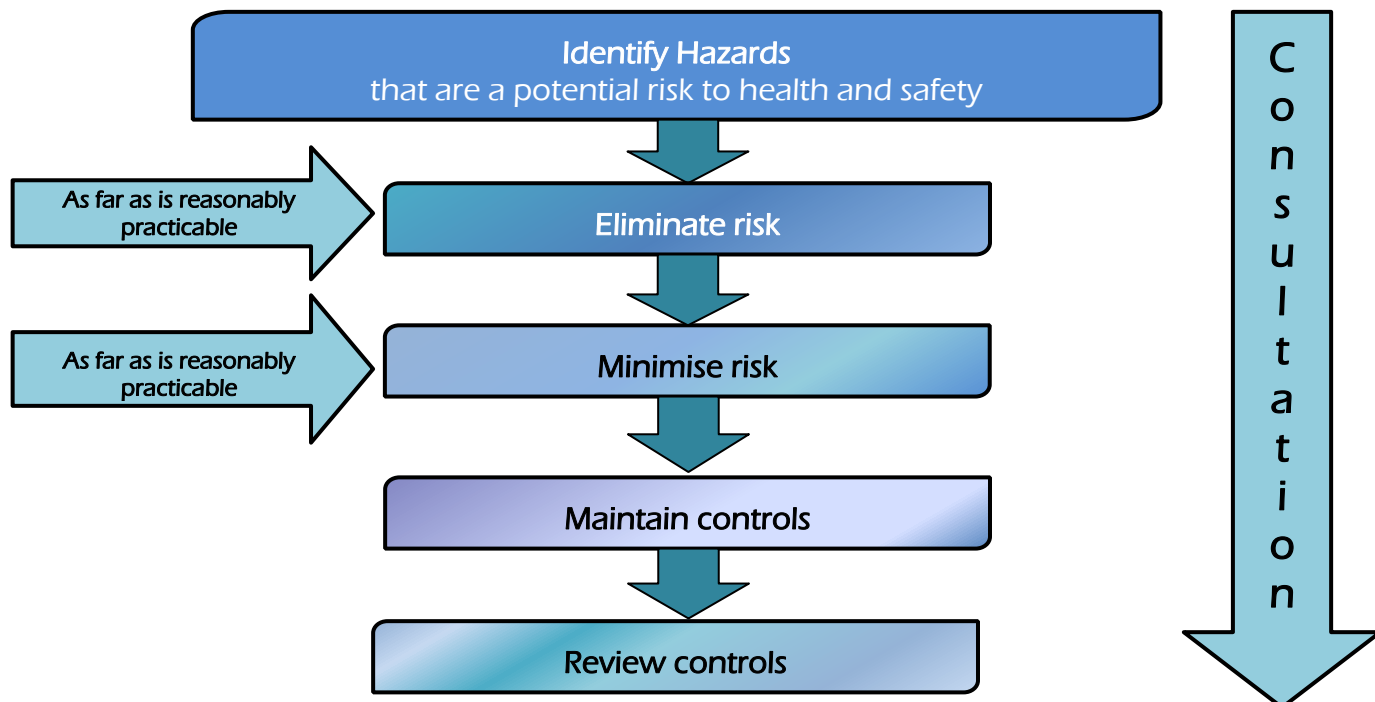


FACTSHEET 3 – Managing Risks to Health & Safety

Managing risks to health and safety in the workplace	WHS Regulations Chapter 3 Part 3.1
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Reasonably practicable	WHS Act: s.18
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Reasonably practicable, in relation to a duty to ensure health and safety, means what is or was, reasonably able to be done taking into account and weighing up all relevant matters including:

- (a) the likelihood of the hazard or the risk occurring; and
- (b) the degree of harm that might result from the hazard or the risk; and
- (c) what the person concerned knows, or ought reasonably to know, about:
 - (i) the hazard or the risk; and
 - (ii) ways of eliminating or minimising the risk; and
- (d) the availability and suitability of ways to eliminate or minimise the risk; and
- (e) after assessing the extent of the risk and means of eliminating or minimising the risk, the cost to do so, including whether the cost is grossly disproportionate to the risk.

Maintenance of control measures	WHS Regulations Chapter 3.37
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Controls are to be maintained to be effective by ensuring that they remain fit for purpose; suitable for the nature and duration of work; and installed, set up and used correctly.

Review of control measures	WHS Regulations Chapter 3.38
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The duty holder is required to review the control measures when:

- the control measure does not control the risk (e.g. identified by monitoring or an incident occurring);
- a change to the workplace occurs that gives rise to a new or different risk;
- a new relevant hazard or risk is identified;
- the results of consultation indicate a review is required; and
- a **Health and Safety Representative (HSR)** requests a review.