

NEW LAW

HEALTH AND SAFETY IN CONSTRUCTION SITES

KEEP YOURSELF INFORMED



IF YOU ARE COMMENCING A CONSTRUCTION PROJECT, YOU ARE CONSIDERED A CLIENT. THIS BRINGS ABOUT A NUMBER OF RESPONSIBILITIES.

- ✓ You will need to appoint a Project Supervisor to take care of health and safety on site (excluding domestic projects).
- ✓ The chosen Project Supervisor must be listed in the OHSA Competent Person Register.
- ✓ You will need to inform OHSA of the Project Supervisor's appointment and other related notifications tied to the project.
- ✓ No works can start before the Project Supervisor is appointed and approvals are issued.
- ✓ Ensure that the Project Supervisor keeps you updated with their responsibilities and actions taken.
- ✓ You may opt to appoint a representative who will assume all legal responsibility for the client.
- ✓ Send all necessary notifications to OHSA via the website ohsa.mt



WHAT IS 'CONSTRUCTION WORK'?

Construction work refers to all types of work that include development, renovations, restorations, maintenance (including paint work and cleaning), dismantling, demolition, general repairs, excavations, refurbishments, drainage works and other related works amongst others.

A construction site is where such works take place.

TYPES OF PROJECTS



DOMESTIC PROJECTS

- Minor works which do not fall under the large projects criteria in a private house, apartment or any type of property.
- The property will not be used for business purposes.
- One contractor will be engaged.
- No high risks according to legislation.



No need to appoint Project Supervisor.



LARGE PROJECTS

- Works will take longer than 30 days and involve more than 20 workers, or exceed 500 person days.
- May include large apartment blocks, commercial buildings or public infrastructure.



Project Supervisor needs to be appointed.

Construction Notification Form to be sent to OHSA.



OTHER PROJECTS

- All other works (including small apartment blocks or offices and businesses).
- They involve more than one contractor.
- There are specific risks according to legislation.



Project Supervisor needs to be appointed.

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Our objective is to build in safety because 'Every Worker Counts'.