

KERRIMUIR PRIMARY SCHOOL SCHOOL SITE SAFETY POLICY

Purpose of this policy

To ensure schools comply with site and environmental safety requirements.

Policy

The principal acts as the school's site manager and is responsible for:

- occupational health and safety (OH&S) affecting buildings, plant, classroom furniture and equipment
- general safety and environmental management including
 - soil and environmental contamination
 - building ventilation
 - noise
 - rainwater tanks
 - sanitation and waste collection
 - swimming pools
 - tree maintenance
 - fire protection prevention
 - bushfire preparedness
- general safety practices on site during a construction project.

Note: Schools must only incorporate approved playground equipment (and must not use seesaws, swings, maypoles, merry-go-rounds, roundabouts and flying foxes) see:

- [Guidelines for School Playgrounds: Playground safety management \(pdf version\)](#)
- [Guidelines for School Playgrounds: Playground safety management \(word version\)](#)
- [Playgrounds and Recreation Association of Victoria.](#)

Funding support: essential services and contracts

The Department provides funding for:

- essential services
- building services maintenance (annual contracts).

This support facilitates:

- the inspection and servicing of:
 - heating plant
 - specialised fire equipment
 - emergency and exit lighting
 - lifts
 - EPA-licensed sewerage treatment
 - water treatment and other sanitary needs.

Related legislation

Occupational Health and Safety Act 2004

Further information and resources

- School Infrastructure:
 - [Health and Safety](#): for advice on health and safety requirements during facility construction and hazardous materials including asbestos management
 - [Health, Security and Safety](#): to access the Asbestos Management Plan
 - [Safety & Environmental Management](#): for advice on adequate drinking water, avoiding soil or environment contamination, sanitation system requirements, fire protection and the Building Quality Standards Handbook 2008
 - [School Maintenance System](#)
 - [Health, Safety and Worksafe](#)

Other resources

- [Environment Protection Authority](#)
- [WorkSafe Victoria](#)

Review Cycle

This policy was last updated in April 2018 and is scheduled for review in April 2021.