

# Using Petrol Powered Brush Cutters

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<b>Document no.</b> SMS-06-SW-0522	<b>Work description</b> Using Petrol Power Brush Cutters		
	<b>Scope</b> For vegetation control		
<b>Review date</b> 19/03/10	<b>References</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Using Petrol Power Brushcutters</li> <li>MSDS for petrol</li> </ul>		
<b>Responsible supervisor</b> <i>Insert name in BLOCK letters</i>	<b>PPE and precautions</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Hearing protection</li> <li>Full face shield</li> <li>Harness</li> </ul>	<b>Competencies or qualifications</b> Backsafe training	<b>Licences or permits required</b> Nil
<b>Tools and equipment required</b> Standard brush cutter tool kit			
IF CONTROL MEASURES ARE NOT SUITABLE AND MAJOR CHANGES ARE NEEDED, CONDUCT A RISK ASSESSMENT AND DEVELOP NEW CONTROLS ACCORDING TO SMS-06-SR-1479 OHS RISK MANAGEMENT.			

<b>Set up</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Visually inspect for damage, faulty parts or defects.</li> <li>Add fuel as required using a non-spill fuel container.</li> </ul> <p><b>Warning</b> Fuel away from work area in a well ventilated place. Keep away ignition sources (including smoking) and any people not involved.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Check work area for loose objects that could fly when hit and clear if possible.</li> <li>When using blade, check that it is straight and sharp.</li> </ul>
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<b>Using brushcutter</b>	<p><b>Warning</b> Keep workers and other people well away. Stop work if people encroach into work area.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Start brushcutter.</li> <li>Operate brushcutter using side to side movements, taking care to not overextend.</li> </ul>
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<b>Pack up</b>	<p><b>Warning</b> Beware of hot exhaust. Allow to cool or keep clear of hot parts.</p>
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<b>Additional controls</b>