

# **HEALTH AND SAFETY POLICY**

## **OTHER RESOURCES**

- 1. Acceptable Workplace Behaviour Policy
- 2. Bullying Policy
- 3. Discrimination & Harassment Policy
- Whistleblower Policy
  Health and Safety at Work Act 2015
  Employment Relations Act 2000

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#### **Our Commitment**

At NZME we believe that a healthy and safe work environment contributes to our success. As a company we are committed to ensuring we have a framework, culture, and practices in place to protect our people, contractors, and customers and that aims to prevent work-related injuries and illnesses.

NZME recognises that every individual at NZME regardless of their role, plays an essential part in our health and safety system and taking steps to protect not only themselves, but those around them. Therefore, communication and consultation between our Board, Executive, leaders, team members, contractors and customers is crucial in the ongoing development of our health and safety system and how we manage our risks.

NZME consistently looks for new and more effective ways to improve how NZME prevents and manages health and safety risks.

Our team is committed to reporting and investigating all accidents, incidents and near misses to drive improvement in health, safety and wellbeing - any lessons learned are used to take corrective action to prevent recurrences.

The NZME Board regularly monitors our key health and safety performance indicators, the effectiveness of our health and safety system and the controls that are in place to manage the risks that arise from NZME's operations.

### This policy is delivered by:

- the commitment, action and support of our Board Members, Executives and Senior Leaders.
- · generating a culture where people's health, safety and wellbeing takes priority; and
- ensuring the meaningful involvement of all our people, contractors, and customers.

#### NZME is guided by the following health and safety principles:

- 1. That health and safety objectives are considered equally with the Board's other primary business objectives.
- 2. All of our operations are conducted in compliance with relevant legislation, regulations and codes of practice.
- 3. All reasonably practicable steps will be taken to ensure safe working conditions and provide our team with safety and health information regarding hazards in their workplace.
- 4. Employee and union consultation and participation in the development of health and safety processes and procedures is supported and encouraged.
- 5. There is a commitment to provide appropriate training and instruction for all employees and managers on health and safety issues affecting their work.
- 6. All employees and contractors are aware of their responsibility to perform company activities safely and without harm to themselves or anyone else in the workplace.
- 7. All information concerning accidents and incidents will be reported and recorded in an accurate and timely manner.
- 8. A system of continuous improvement is promoted by the Board and the Executive Team; this includes reviewing policies, improving targets and procedures on an annual basis.
- 9. Provision of treatment and rehabilitation facilities will be facilitated where appropriate to ensure a safe, early, and durable return to work.