

Construction Prestart Checklist

The morning prestart with the crew. Ten minutes, standing up, before anyone picks up a tool.

PROJECT / SITE	DATE	COMPLETED BY

THE DAY

- ☐ What we are building today, front by front
- ☐ Who is doing what, and with whom
- ☐ What finished yesterday and what carries over
- ☐ Programme pressure — is anything critical today

WHAT CHANGED

- ☐ New crews, new trades or new plant on site
- ☐ Design change, RFI answer or revised drawing
- ☐ Any SWMS revised since the last prestart
- ☐ Weather change since yesterday

HAZARDS FOR TODAY

- ☐ Work at height — edges, penetrations, ladders, EWPs
- ☐ Mobile plant and pedestrian separation
- ☐ Overhead and underground services
- ☐ Lifting — loads, zones, spotters
- ☐ Hot work, dust, silica, fumes, noise
- ☐ Weather — heat, wind limits, storms, slips

CONTROLS CONFIRMED

- ☐ Exclusion zones set before work starts
- ☐ Isolation and tagging in place where required
- ☐ PPE for the actual task, not just the site minimum
- ☐ Rescue plan understood where working at height or in confined space

CREW CHECK

- ☐ Everyone fit for work — fatigue, illness, injury
- ☐ Anyone new to this task or this site
- ☐ Everyone knows who to stop the job with, and that they can

CLOSE THE PRESTART

- ☐ Questions taken and answered, not deferred
- ☐ Anything raised that needs an owner — name it
- ☐ Attendance recorded

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