

## Sample Health and Safety Policy Statement

*Shed name* is committed to protecting the health and safety of its Members, supervisors, volunteers and to the public when engaged in activities for and within the Shed. *Shed name* will comply with the terms of the Health and Safety at Work Act 1974 and all applicable regulations made under the Act, 'so far as is reasonably practicable.'

*Shed name* has in place policy and procedures to achieve the following;  
Provide the safest possible environment for Members, supervisors, visitors, contractors and any others who may be affected by our activities.

Compliance with all relevant legislation and associated codes of practice;

- Minimisation of risks through risk assessment which is used to decide on priorities and to set objectives for managing hazards and reducing risks. Risks that cannot be eliminated are minimised by the use of physical controls or, as a last resort, through systems of work and personal protective equipment;
- Adequate information, instruction and training to meet all Member's needs;
- Assessment of the adequacy of health and safety policies/procedures through consultation with our Members;
- Reduce accidents and incidents to the lowest possible level;
- Requirements for all members, supervisors and contractors to work safely and with consideration for the health and safety of themselves and others.

*Shed name* requires its members and supervisors to;

- Take reasonable care for their own health and safety and that of others who may be affected by their acts or omissions;
- Co-operate with *Shed name* and its officers on matters relating to health and safety by complying with procedures and instructions;
- Not knowingly act in such a way which may cause either themselves or *Shed name* to be in breach of the law or damage the reputation of the organisation;
- Correctly use any items of equipment, in accordance with training given and not interfere with; or misuse, any item of personal protective equipment provided;
- Attend general and task-related health and safety training as required;
- Inform the supervisor at the earliest opportunity, if during the course of their work, they are injured, become unwell or are involved in or become aware of any potentially unsafe situations.
- Inform the supervisor immediately if they become aware of any faults or damage to any tools or equipment which may lead to unsafe situations.