

<b>ALERT TOPIC</b>	Angle Grinder	<b>ALERT REFERENCE:</b>	CRL 220523
<b>TARGET AUDIENCE:</b>	Regional Managers, Site Managers Site Engineers and Supervisors Other interested people	<b>AUTHORISED BY:</b>	N Roper
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## INTRODUCTION

A reminder on the safe selection and use of angle grinders.



## REASONS FOR ISSUING THIS ALERT

CRL require:

1. All angle grinders to have a 'Dead Man's' cut-off switch (i.e., a switch that cuts the power once the trigger is released, a switch that cannot be locked in the 'on' position).
2. Side handles and guards to remain in place and not be removed.
3. Guards with dust extraction connections used in conjunction with Class M on-tool extraction and respiratory protective equipment (RPE) when cutting concrete or other materials containing silica.

## CONCLUSIONS AND DISCUSSION POINTS

If angle grinders are delivered without Dead Man's switches, handles or guards, they must not be used and should be immediately returned to the hire company.

## SHEQ ALERT

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