

Exemptions from the engineered stone ban

A work health and safety (WHS) regulator can exempt a type of engineered stone from the ban.

Once a type of engineered stone is exempted, any person conducting a business or undertaking (PCBU) can work with that type of engineered stone so long as they meet any conditions imposed on the exemption.

For example, exemption conditions could include:

- use of particular control measures for the manufacture, supply, processing or installation of an exempt engineered stone product, and/or
- requirements to undertake air monitoring and to monitor the health of workers who may be exposed to RCS at work.



An exemption granted by a WHS regulator in one jurisdiction will apply in all jurisdictions except Victoria.

Please refer to WorkSafe Victoria.



How to apply for an exemption

A person can apply to a WHS regulator to request that a type of engineered stone be exempted from the ban.

Before making an application, the person must consult with the Safe Work Australia Members who represent the interests of employers and workers.

For more information see:

Infographic - Exemption from the engineered stone ban flowchart

model Code of Practice: Managing risks of respirable crystalline silica in the workplace

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