Public consultation – Engineered stone ban

Consultation response template

All feedback should be submitted via the [Consultation Hub](https://consult.swa.gov.au/consultation-on-the-engineered-stone-ban). You can choose to provide your feedback by completing an online questionnaire or by uploading your own submission.

This template has been developed for respondents who are preparing their own submission - it is not mandatory.

The questions outlined below are provided as a guide only, and are based on the questions included in the online questionnaire.

**Consultation questions:**

**1) Have you, your workplace or your business made any significant changes as a result of the engineered stone ban?**

Click or tap here to enter text.

**2) Has the engineered stone ban met its objectives to protect workers from exposure to respirable crystalline silica? Why/Why not?**

Click or tap here to enter text.

**3) Do you have any suggestions for how the engineered stone ban could be improved?**

Click or tap here to enter text.

**4) Where have you gone for information and guidance to help you better understand the engineered stone ban? (tick all that apply)**

[ ]  Employer
[ ]  Industry Group / Employer Organisation
[ ]  Media
[ ]  Safe Work Australia (website and resources)
[ ]  Training Institute
[ ]  Unions
[ ]  WHS Regulator
[ ]  Other (please specify) Click or tap here to enter text.

**5) Have you found it easy to access information about the engineered stone ban?**

[ ]  Yes
[ ]  No

1. If no, why?

Click or tap here to enter text.

**6) Have you found guidance and resources on the engineered stone ban clear to understand? If no, why?**

Click or tap here to enter text.

**7) Which types of resources would you find most helpful to better inform you of requirements under the engineered stone ban? (tick all that apply)**

 [ ]  Guidance documents

[ ]  Onsite training

[ ]  Phone App

[ ]  Poster

[ ]  Seminars

[ ]  Videos

[ ]  Website

**8) Have you processed legacy engineered stone since 1 July 2024?**

☐ Yes
[ ]  No
[ ]  Not applicable

1. If yes, do you have any comments regarding the [notification process](https://www.safeworkaustralia.gov.au/doc/notification-flowchart-esban) and associated risk assessment for work with permitted legacy engineered stone?

Click or tap here to enter text.

**9) Have you changed from using engineered stone to alternative products since 1 July 2024?**

☐ Yes
[ ]  No
[ ]  Not applicable

a) If yes, please describe or name the alternative products you are using: Click or tap here to enter text.

1. Why did you change to these products? (tick all that apply)

☐ Safety
☐ Cost
☐ Ease of retraining/transferability of skills
☐ Other (please specify) Click or tap here to enter text.

**10) How do you identify the material/composition of products following the engineered stone ban (1 July 2024)?** (tick all that apply)

☐ Analytical technique
☐ Manufacturer’s label
☐ Product Statement
☐ Safety Data Sheet
☐ Other (please specify) Click or tap here to enter text.
[ ]  Not applicable

**11) What future research do you think would be helpful to better inform work health and safety relating to silica?**

Click or tap here to enter text.

**12) Do you have any other comments regarding the engineered stone ban?**

Click or tap here to enter text.