

The hazards created by working in a confined space are a leading cause of workplace fatalities:

- A confined space has one or more of the following characteristics:
 - Walls that converge inward or floors that slope downward and taper into a smaller area which could trap or asphyxiate an entrant; or
 - Contains, or has the potential to contain:
 - A hazardous atmosphere and/or materials that could engulf an entrant
 - Any other recognised safety or health hazard

LIFE SAVING RULE

Prior to entering a confined space, YOU MUST:

- Obtain authorisation before entering a confined space
- Confirm:
 - Potential sources of energy have been physically isolated
 - Gas testing has been completed and results verified as acceptable for confined entry
 - Breathing apparatus has been inspected and used correctly when required
 - An Entry Attendant is stationed at the point of entry to monitor entry work; and
 - A Rescue Plan is available, required rescue equipment is in place; and the Rescue Team members are properly trained

