A risk management checklist for tradies



Fire safety equipment	Yes	No
Do you have fire extinguishers or hose reels?		
Is the annual servicing up-to-date? (Check the inspection tag on the extinguisher/hose reel)		
Have you and your staff been trained to use fire extinguishers?		
If you have a fire sprinkler system, is it serviced regularly?		
If you have a fire alarm system, is it serviced regularly?		
Hot work fire safety	Yes	No
Do you have safety procedures for all hot work (e.g. welding, flame cutting, disc cutting)?		
Have you got a Hot Work Permit?		
Keeping your Tools Safe	Yes	No
Is your toolbox secured to your ute or van with round head bolts?		
Have you padlocked your toolbox or shed with an ABUS Close Shackle Padlock?		
Have you taken photos of your tools and receipts?		
Electrical safety	Yes	No
Have you had an electrical safety check by a registered electrician in the last 12 months?		
Do you have an electrical installation Certificate of Periodic Verification?		
Battery safety	Yes	No
Do you have a designated area for the safe battery charging with correct ventilation and safety checklist?		
Do you have staff members trained in battery charging?		
Has your electric forklift or lift vehicle been inspected and serviced within the past 12 months?		
Environmental best practice	Yes	No
Do you have safeguards to ensure wastewater is not discharged into stormwater drains?		
Do you have emergency 'spill control' safety kits?		
Do you have wastewater storage tanks for offsite recycling?		
Security	Yes	No
Do you have an intruder alarm?		
Has the intruder alarm been serviced recently?		
Is the intruder alarm monitored by an external monitoring company?		
Do you have security patrols?		
Do you have security locks on doors?		
Do you have security locks on windows?		
Are your valuable items and cash stored in a safe?		

Risk management programmes	Yes	No
Do you have a housekeeping programme?		
Do you have a building maintenance programme?		
Do you have a smoking control programme?		
Do you have a waste management programme?		
Do you have a health and safety programme?		
Do you have a business continuity plan?		

*These guidelines and self-assessment risk management checklist are of a general nature only. They are not intended to be a comprehensive list of all the risk management steps you should consider taking to reduce the risk of damage and financial loss, nor is it intended to be legal advice.