



SCHOOL OF ENGINEERING COMMITMENT TO HEALTH AND SAFETY

I, _____ (print full name),

Student/Staff Number (or Visitor's ID) : _____ ,

Do hereby acknowledge that I have read and understood the instructions and terms written hereunder, and commit myself to full compliance with them in the interest of promoting healthy and safe practice.

1. I shall obey all Rules and Regulations pertaining to the Laboratory, Workshop or Site that I am working in;
2. I shall comply with any lawful and reasonable instruction given to me by my supervisor, manager or host while working in a Laboratory, Workshop or on site;
3. I shall **not** tamper with or attempt to handle machinery, equipment or materials that I have not been officially trained and authorised to use;
4. I shall **not** use machinery, equipment or materials in any way that may cause harm, damage or loss to myself, others or University property;
5. I shall **not** permit any unauthorised person to use machinery, equipment or materials on my behalf.

(Note: For the purposes of this Commitment, 'employees' as referred to above include students and visitors)

Extract from the OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH AND SAFETY ACT (No.85 of 1993):

14. GENERAL DUTIES OF EMPLOYEES AT WORK

Every employee shall at work –

- (a) Take reasonable care for the health and safety of himself and of other persons who may be affected by his acts or omissions;
- (b) As regards any duty or requirement imposed on his employer or any other person by this Act, co-operate with such employer or person to enable that duty or requirement to be performed or complied with;
- (c) Carry out any lawful order given to him, and obey the health and safety rules and procedures laid down by his employer or anyone authorised thereto by his employer;
- (d) If any situation which is unsafe or unhealthy comes to his attention, as soon as practicable report such situation to his employer or to the health and safety representative for his workplace who shall report it to the employer; and
- (e) If he is involved in any incident which may affect his health or has injured himself, report such incident to his employer or to anyone authorised by the employer, or to his health and safety representative, not later than the end of the particular shift during which the incident occurred, unless the circumstances were such that reporting the incident was not possible, in which case he shall report the incident as soon as practicable.

15. DUTY NOT TO INTERFERE WITH OR MISUSE THINGS

No person shall intentionally or recklessly interfere with, damage or misuse anything which is provided in the interest of health or safety.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

This form must be filled in and signed annually by every student or visitor assigned to work in Laboratories, Workshops or Sites relevant to their studies, projects or research in the University of KwaZulu-Natal. These forms must be retained for a period of 5 years. (Dean's Instruction, Feb 2012)