

## Responding to Asphyxiant Incidents

In some cases, asphyxiant controls may fail. **Having an Emergency Response Plan in place and understanding the procedures is critical to responding to asphyxiant hazards.**

This guide is a companion to the **Responding to Asphyxiant Incidents video**. It will help you and your team understand the importance of working safely in confined spaces and around toxic gas commonly found in the energy industry.

### Get the Most Out of this Safety Video

#### 01 Start by asking: “What would you do?”

Before watching the video, discuss: What type of incident on site would require an emergency response? How well do you know our Emergency Response Plan? How confident are you that you can follow the plan in an emergency?



#### 02 Watch the Safety Video

Watch the video to learn more about mechanical and chemical asphyxiants. Pause the video during reflection questions to discuss with your team.



#### 03 Share the key safety messages

**Key 01:** Working in confined spaces requires work plans and active hazard management.

**Key 02:** Know the Seven-step Initial Response Strategy and any other Emergency Response Plan for your workplace (e.g. rescue and first aid plan).

#### 04 Have a Casual Discussion

Review the questions highlighted in the video's reflection breaks. Ask yourself and the team if any information was surprising, confusing, common knowledge, etc. This will help you to identify further conversations and gaps in your safety protocols.

#### 05 Mental Rehearsal

After watching the video, consider:

- How would you handle the scenario?
- What steps would you take?
- How does your role in the workplace change your response?

#### 06 Review Key Takeaways & Follow-Up

- Practice executing your emergency response plan.
- Review safety guidelines regularly.
- Report any safety concerns right away.
- Keep learning and stay up to date with safety practices.