



INTRODUCTION

GARLAND is one of Ireland's leading indigenous consulting engineering firms, specialising in structural and civil engineering for more than 70 years. In 2007 the firm established the subsidiary, GARLAND Safety Management to harness our unique and unrivalled experience in construction Health and Safety Management. The advent of the Safety Health and Welfare at Work (Construction) Regulations 2006, and more recently the 2013 Regulations, has brought about many significant changes and challenges to the industry. GARLAND Safety Management has brought together a team of professionals who fuse Health and Safety with a sound and practical Engineering philosophy.

“Distilled from our experiences in design and our expert knowledge of Safety and Health, we offer practicable solutions to our clients to deliver the highest standards in safety and health.”

Our experience both nationally and in Europe gives our clients the assurance and confidence they require to ensure compliance with their new responsibilities.

Since 2007, GARLAND Safety Management has acted as Project Supervisor Design Process on over 250 projects around the country, varying from small fit-out projects to major school, university, healthcare and commercial developments.

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PSDP Appointments

There is a common misconception among both clients and design professionals that a Project Supervisor Design Process (PSDP) only needs to be appointed for projects which last longer than 30 working days or 500 person days.

This is incorrect. The limit of 30 working days or 500 person days applies only to the notification to the Health and Safety Authority.

The table below should clarify the situation

Client Guidelines

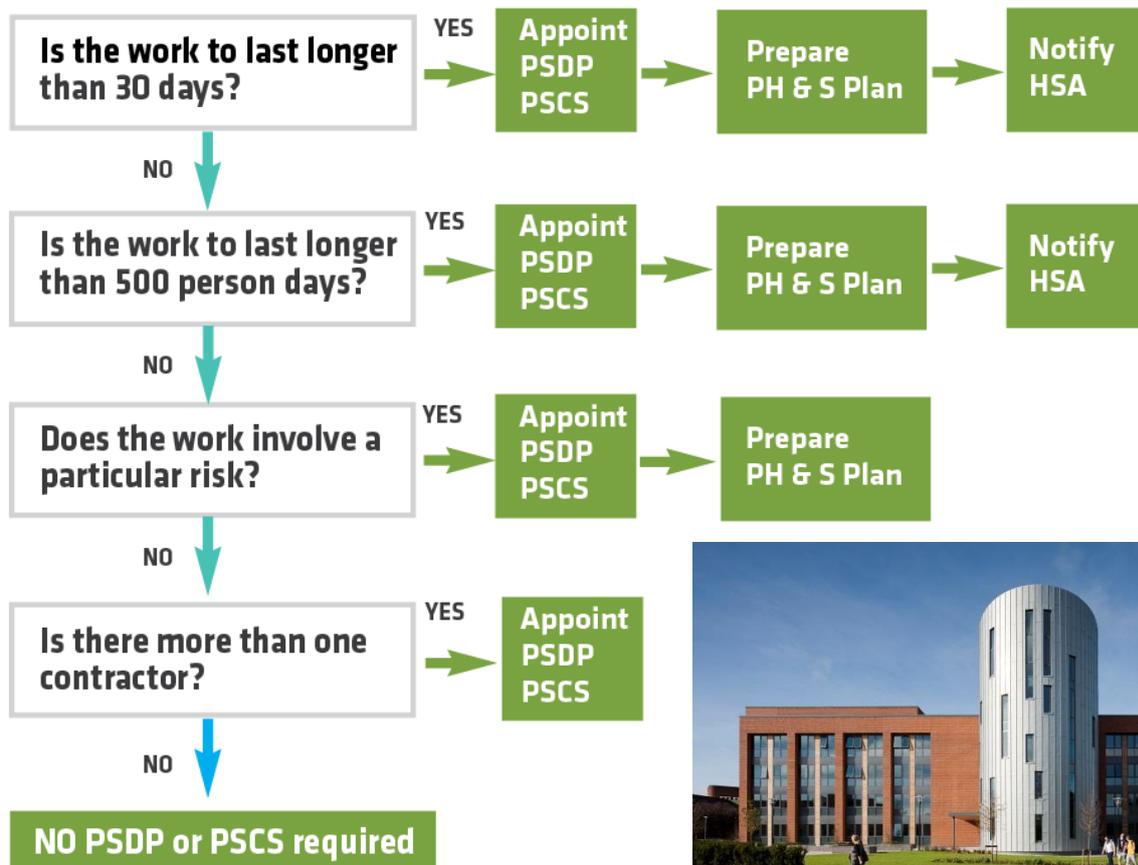
A document published by the Health & Safety Authority, "Clients in Construction, Best Practice Guidance", aims to clarify the role of the Client under health and safety legislation. This document has been prepared to give advice and assistance to everyone who may have to fulfil the role of Client under Section 17 of the Safety, Health and Welfare at Work Act 2005 and the Safety, Health and Welfare at Work (Construction) Regulations.

The document has been designed to allow the smaller scale "once-off" Client to identify their own duties and the duties of the persons they have appointed. Larger Clients may be interested in a more in depth review of aspects of the legislation as well as the strategies that have been adopted to enhance the level of safety management by other Clients.

GARLAND Safety Management offers extensive courses to Clients on their duties under the Safety Health and Welfare at Work (Construction) Regulations. Courses are run at our offices in Dublin, Limerick and Waterford or in the client's own premises.



When do you have to appoint a PSDP?



GARLAND SAFETY MANAGEMENT

Services Provided:

- Project Supervisor Design Process - Design and Construction Management Consultancy -
- Safety Training for Designers, Clients & P S D P - Safety Statements - Risk Assessments -
- Standard Operating Procedures - Construction Regulation Audit Compliance - Aspergillois Construction Audits

Safety, Health and Welfare at Work (Construction) Regulations 2013

The current Safety Health Welfare at Work (Construction) Regulations 2013 came into effect on the 1st August. These Regulations impose duties and responsibilities on clients, designers, project supervisors and contractors. These 2013 Regulations superseded the previous Regulations from 2006.

Duties imposed on Clients :

- A client must appoint a competent and adequately resourced Project Supervisor for the Design Process (PSDP) in writing, at the commencement of the design work.
- Notify the HSA in writing of the appointment of a Project Supervisor Design Process (PSDP).
- Provide a copy of the Preliminary Health & Safety Plan (which will be prepared by the PSDP) to all candidates tendering for the role of Project Supervisor Construction Stage (PSCS). A domestic client must provide it upon appointment of the PSCS.
- Appoint a competent and adequately resourced Project Supervisor for the Construction Stage (PSCS) in writing.
- The Client must make available to the PSDP any safety files which exist. They must also advise the Project Supervisors of any hazards that might impact upon the Safety and Health of any parties working on the site or affected by the construction process that would be needed to help, reduce or manage that risk.
- A Client shall not arrange for a designer to prepare a design unless reasonably satisfied of that designers competence and that they will allocate adequate resources to the project. This must be demonstrated to a domestic client.
- A Client shall not arrange for a Contractor to carry out work unless reasonably satisfied of that contractors competence and that they will allocate adequate resources to the project. This must be demonstrated to a domestic client.

Do I need a PSDP for domestic work?

One of the major changes in the 2013 Regulations was the inclusion of works to private domestic houses.

Examples of construction work covered by the regulations include:

- building a new house or an extension, porch or garage
- converting your attic
- refitting your kitchen
- re-slating your roof
- fitting solar panels or a skylight
- re-wiring your house

Work that are excluded included routine home DIY, grass cutting, tree planting and general gardening work, and general maintenance to appliances, and boilers.

You need to use the chart to determine what appointments and actions are required for your domestic project.

Our Clients Include:

- Our Lady's Children's Hospital Crumlin
- St. James's Hospital
- University of Limerick
- St. Andrew's College
- St. Patrick's College
- Shannon Development
- Diageo Ireland
- Rice Steele Manufacturing
- Coombe Women & Infants University Hospital
- The Adelaide and Meath Hospital
- Glaxo Smith Kline
- Pauwels Trafo Ireland
- Abbott Ireland
- Boston Scientific
- Vodafone
- Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council
- Clare County Council

OUR SAFETY MANAGEMENT TEAM



Kevin Rudden is the Company Director responsible for all safety management projects. He is a Registered Chartered Consulting Engineer and holds a Diploma in Legal Studies. He is an Affiliate Member of the Institution of Occupational Health & Safety and a Chartered Member of Engineers of Ireland.

Kevin has acted as convenor of the Association of Consulting Engineers of Ireland/Engineers Ireland Joint Committee on Health and Safety Construction Legislation since 2005, and has been responsible for co-ordinating the activities of these Institutions in relation to safety and health. Kevin is a member of "Construction Safety Partnership" and the "Construction Advisory Council", both Cross Industry Body on Health & Safety. He is a member of the "Joint Safety Advisory Panel on the Safe-T-Cert Scheme. Kevin also represents the European Federation of Consulting Engineers Associations on the European Construction Safety Forum. Kevin has lectured intensely on safety and health legislation and has both co-developed and now co-presents the ACEI / Engineers Ireland designer and project supervisor for the design process (PSDP) courses.



Brian Lahiff, Director and Chartered Engineer, completed a Postgraduate Diploma in Health and Safety in Construction from Trinity College Dublin in 2008 with distinction. Brian is particularly conversant with the current Health & Safety Legislation, including the most recent Safety Health & Welfare at Work (Construction) Regulations 2006-2010. Brian has acted as project supervisor design process (PSDP) on numerous healthcare, residential, industrial and educational projects of various sizes and complexity.

Brian is responsible for the day to day management of all of our safety management projects. He has provided numerous training courses to clients and designers on their duties contained in the Safety, Health and Welfare at Work (Construction) Regulations 2013. Brian works closely with our clients to ensure their compliance at all times with the Construction Regulations. He presented to the IOSH Healthcare Conference in October 2011 on the subject of "Maintenance Management Systems". Brian is a founding member and chairperson of the Irish Safety at Height Association (www.safetyatheight.ie). He was co-author of the Construction Safety Partnership's (CSP) document "Client Assessment Requirements to make Particular Safety & Health Appointments" and author of the CSP's "PSDP Case Study".



Michael Fleming, graduated from University College Dublin with a Civil Engineering Degree in 2008 and also completed a Post Graduate Diploma in Health and Safety in Construction in Trinity College Dublin in 2010 and as a result specialises in carrying out the role of project supervisor design process (PSDP). He is particularly conversant with current Health & Safety Legislation, including the most recent Safety, Health and Welfare at Work (Construction) Regulations 2013.

Michael has acted and is currently acting as Project Supervisor Design Process on numerous healthcare, residential, industrial, educational and infrastructure projects. Michael worked with a large Dublin Hospital in the development of procedures and standard operating policies for their technical services department, while also acting as PSDP and PSCS on number of their small capital works projects. The safety management system implemented for the hospital allows for safe systems of work and also ensures compliance with the Construction Regulations.



Stephen Geary is a Chartered Safety and Health Practitioner and degree qualified Civil Engineer with over 24 years' experience in both the public and private sector working on various property and building projects preparing safety statements, health and safety plans, carrying out safety training and site safety audits and inspections for companies and Implementing safety management systems and delivering training programmes to all sectors including heavy civil engineering, Local Authority works, sewerage treatment plants, quarrying, manufacturing, housing, commercial, industrial and mixed use projects acting as Project Supervisor Design Process (PSDP) and Project Supervisor Construction Stage (PSCS) for clients.

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