

## SAMPLE SOP TEMPLATE

Organization's LOGO

*File path*  
*Revision Date:*

***This is an example SOP template. This template is provided for information purposes and should be modified to meet the needs of your organization.***

<b>SOP Number/SOP title</b>	
<b>Summary/Purpose</b> <i>One sentence description of what the SOP covers</i>	
<b>Effective Date:</b>	<b>Revised Date:</b>
<b>Prepared by:</b>	<b>Approved by:</b>
<b>Contact Information (Preparer, Subject matter expert)</b> <i>Provide contact information for all key contacts; the person that prepared the SOP, the subject matter expert(s), responsible supervisor</i>	
<b>Authorized personnel</b> <i>List people or job titles authorized to carry out tasks in SOP</i>	
<b>Operational limits and responses</b> <i>When appropriate specify any limits around when the SOPs can be used</i>	

### 1. Disclaimer (optional)

*Add a disclaimer especially if the SOP will be used by contractors. Address*

- You may encounter conditions not described in this procedure*
- The SOP is a guide, additional training may be required.*
- Any questions with this procedure, ask!*

### 2. Background (you can also call this purpose or objectives):

*Provide any background knowledge that the user of this SOP would need to have. This may include:*

- Statements of policy*
- Regulatory requirements*
- What the SOP covers/ does not cover*
- Background information important to understand before using this SOP*

### 3. Safety

*Define safety issues unique for the specific SOP.*

- *List PPE requirements*
- *Call out any specific hazards*

### 4. Equipment

- *Identify equipment that will be required for the task*

### 5. Procedure

Provide a step by step procedure

- If multiple steps, organize into tasks with subheadings. For example
  - Arriving on site, hazard analysis, ensure safe work site
  - Operational limits and responses
  - Specific tasks
  - Monitoring
  - Completion/cleanup
- You may also define roles or tasks for different personnel



Tips or lessons learned can be added to the procedures. Some organizations use callouts, or tip boxes to highlight these.

### 6. Record Keeping

*Identify forms or record keeping system*

- *Attach to SOP, identify form location, or provide link to document*
- *Identify data to be collected*

### 7. Additional resources (References)

*Provide links or locations (in file cabinet...) to other references or materials to support the SOP. This can include:*

- *Links to Other SOPs*
- *Manuals from the vendor or manufacturer*
- *Industry standards or best practices*
- *Other documents*

### 8. Approvals (optional)

*Approval line for supervisors/ managers and date*