

## Document Review and Simplification

### The Need

5 years of constant change, most significantly a new workspace, different work practices, updated technology, and an increased workforce, had left this client with a myriad of documents. Additionally, to manage the business outputs new protocols and processes had been created, and they now needed to combine these into one user-friendly resource.

### What we did

- Reviewed the documents for:
  - Look and feel
  - Readability
- Identified duplications
- Commented on the flow of the content
- Critiqued photo quality and relevance
- Assessed compliance in relation to internal documentation standards
- Identified opportunities to display information differently to improve understanding and thus compliance eg replacing text with a table, diagram or picture
- Cross-checked with other company documents referring to the same processes
- Drafted a new document that was easy to read and for users to locate information in.

### How?

1. Met on site with the client to walk through the workplace using the existing document for reference
2. Sent through a draft of the proposed layout changes for feedback
3. Modified the layout based on their needs
4. Analysed the content:
  - a. Re-ordered so that the information flowed sequentially
  - b. Removed duplications
  - c. Modified the writing style so the information was easier to understand
5. Visited the site a second time to take photos of equipment and items to illustrate the document.

### Outcomes

Our client now has a document that is:

1. Easy for personnel to use and understand
2. Sequenced based on actual work flow
3. Illustrated with high quality images which allows for more accurate referencing
4. Duplication-free.