



Defence Industry Capability Statement

About ACE

Established in 1971, **Ace Contractors Group Pty Ltd** offers a diverse portfolio of services through our civil, infrastructure, landscaping, electrical, water, environmental and equipment division. These units combine to offer our clients an integrated service, mitigating interface risks. We employ over 350 staff and Group turnover was \$190 million in the 2022/23 financial year.

The business operates from our head office in Nunawading, Victoria with facilities for 120 office staff. ACE has recently established a regional construction office in Brisbane to service our project and administration staff in the Queensland region. ACE's projects are Australia wide (Victoria, NSW, Qld, Tasmania, South Australia, Western Australia). Over the past 53 years, ACE has serviced all facets of the building and construction industry throughout Australia. ACE works collectively to focus on our vision:

'To provide the highest quality services to clients, the greatest opportunities for our staff and to leave a positive and sustainable mark on Australia's built environment for the benefit of the community'.

Our long-term clients include The Department of Defence, Tier 1 Contractors, Commercial Builders, Health, Education and Infrastructure, Rail Alliances, Road & Rail Authorities, Local Government, Water and Power Utilities. Ace Group Projects typically include site establishment & temporary works, demolition, earthworks, civil works, structures, pavements, roads and rail infrastructure, water and drainage infrastructure, electrical infrastructure including HV, switchboards and sub-stations and all aspects of commercial landscaping and irrigation design. ACE can deliver construct only contracts or undertake full design and construct projects from the initial brief to handover and ongoing maintenance.





Defence Experience

ACE have, to date, successfully delivered in excess of \$90 million in projects at Australian Defence Force sites around the country both as a principal contractor to the Directorate of Estate Works Program Office (DEWPO) and as a subcontractor. The types of works delivered are diverse and varied — from our traditional civil earthworks, drainage and roads, to complex electrical infrastructure upgrades and metering projects, complex building demolition and decommissioning and hydraulic and mechanical upgrades.

We have recently completed works at HMAS Cerberus, Puckapunyal Military Area, Victoria Barracks Southbank, Point Wilson and Simpsons Barracks in Victoria and are currently undertaking a diverse range of head contracting works at West Head Gunnery, Benalla and Monegeetta in Victoria and Townsville in Queensland as well as new works in existing locations in Puckapunyal, Cerberus and Simpson Barracks. Works include design and construction of Demolition, Civil, Roads, Hydraulic, Electrical, Fire Services and Building Refurbishment.



We make it happen!



In Safe Hands

ACE works within a highly regulated environment, meeting international and national standards. Additionally most clients have their own stringent specifications and requirements that ACE must meet.

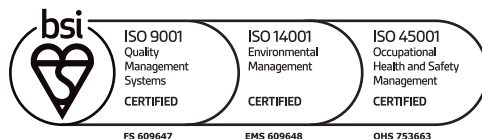
We are compliant with the *Code for the Tendering and Performance of Building Work Amendment Instrument 2022* and the *Fair Work Act 2009*.

Our integrated management system is accredited to the following standards:

- ▶ Australian Government Building and Construction WHS Accreditation Scheme, accredited by the Office of the Federal Safety Commissioner
- ▶ Occupational Health and Safety Management (ISO 45001)
- ▶ Environmental Management (ISO 14001)
- ▶ Quality Management (ISO 9001)

We also hold **Defence Industry Security Program (DISP)** membership.

These accreditations underpin our ability to tackle the most technically complex and commercially demanding projects safely, to a high standard and with a strong level of project management consistency.



ACE DEFENCE

This protective equipment MUST BE WORN in construction zones

STRICTLY NO PHOTOS ALLOWED ON THIS SITE UNLESS APPROVED

NO MOBILE PHONES UNLESS APPROVED

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EMERGENCY

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Fatigue Management <small>At least 8 hours between shifts. Must be reported.</small>	Drugs & Alcohol <small>Consumption, impairment, possession or use of alcohol or other drugs is strictly prohibited.</small>	No Smoking <small>No smoking in ACE Sites. Prohibit all smoking in working areas.</small>	No Headphones <small>People must not wear earbuds or headphones while working.</small>	Incidents <small>All incidents & near misses must be reported within 24 hours.</small>
Maintenance <small>All plant, tools and equipment must be maintained to be reported.</small>	Operating Zones <small>Never approach operating equipment unless positive communication and permission.</small>	Authorisation <small>Only licensed & competent persons to operate plant.</small>	Working at Heights <small>When working at 2 metres or greater fall protection must be used.</small>	SWMS <small>All high risk activities to have a SWMS, must be signed & approved & displayed.</small>
Trenching Entry <small>Excavation greater than 1.5 metres for trenching, shoring or shoring must be reported. All trenching & shoring must also be reported.</small>	Electrocution Hazard <small>Power greater than 2.4 kV requires a permit. Do not touch live wires. Report all electrical faults.</small>	Environment No Go Zones <small>You must not enter a No Go Zone. Report all No Go Zones. Report all No Go Zones.</small>	Inground Services <small>Before digging or excavation, check for underground services. Report all services.</small>	Excavation Permit <small>Excavation greater than 1.5 metres requires a permit. Report all excavation.</small>
MILITARY POLICE REGULARLY PATROL AND MONITOR THE BASE INFRINGEMENTS FOR BREACHES OF ROAD RULES MAY BE ENFORCED BY STATE POLICE				
Gloves <small>Wear safety gloves at all times.</small>	Water Quality <small>Do not drink water from the site. Report all water quality issues.</small>	Sun Smart <small>Wear sunscreen and bring sun hats.</small>		

Enquiries Phone Number:

24 Hour Site Contact:

ALL VISITORS MUST REPORT TO THE SITE OFFICE

Drive 55

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The Puckapunyal Military Base (PMA) observes Victorian state road laws. These laws are enforced within the PMA by Military Police. Offenders can be issued infringement notices in line with the Victorian State road penalty units. The maximum allowable speed limit at the PMA is 60km/h so why not stay safe, keep others safe and Drive 55.

ACE TEAMWORK, INTEGRITY, CARE, EXCELLENCE

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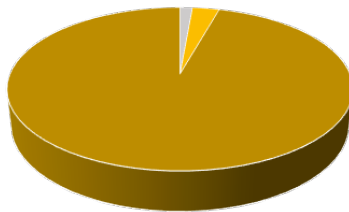
YEARS

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Resources

Aligned with our company experience, key staff have amassed considerable experience on defence, airport and other major infrastructure projects with a strong emphasis on national security. We have strategically hired experienced staff to expand this capability across all attributes of our delivery focusing on major project culture and experience and are familiar with stringent security requirements.



2021-2023 contracts	\$114M
Social spend to date	\$1.58M
Indigenous spend to date	\$3.42M

ACE are committed to achieving socially beneficial outcomes wherever possible through our employment, subcontracting and project delivery. In addition to our project-specific Social Procurement Management Plan benchmarks, our company policy of using a spread of social and Indigenous organisations allows project benefits to be shared with the wider community.

Over 14 projects in the last 12 months, in the Defence space ACE have awarded:

- ▶ 9 Contracts to Social Enterprises
- ▶ 29 Contracts to Indigenous Businesses

ACE are also committed to introducing trainees and apprentices into the workplace. We currently operate a graduate engineer program, whereby new graduates are rotated through the different business divisions, both on and off site, to gain a well-rounded understanding of our business and construction in general.

Our projects are typically delivered via a mix of self-performance and engaging specialist subcontractors. We manage others professionally and integrate them into ACE's systems. Whilst we have established a network of trusted subcontractors and suppliers, we always offer opportunity for local input in any region.

ACE holds electrical contracting licences in Victoria and New South Wales, have VESI and VEDN accreditation and are prequalified contractors to Jemena, Powercor, Ausnet and Essential Energy. ACE also holds domestic and commercial building and plumbing licenses in Victoria, NSW and Queensland. ACE is compliant with the *Code for the Tendering and Performance of Building Work Amendment Instrument 2022* and its entities can perform Commonwealth Funded Building Works.

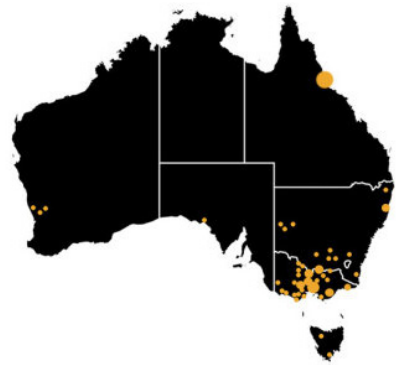
I look forward to further discussion on how ACE can assist you with your upcoming projects.

Yours faithfully,

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**ACE GROUP CONSTRUCTION
PROJECT FOOTPRINT 2023**