

## Work Health and Safety News

## December 2020

What a year it has been! At times it felt as if it would never end, but here we are looking forward to the shutdown period just days away.

Before we go, we have one last newsletter for the year, with an important update on Project Salus and reminders about end of year waste collections, parties, and the transition to the 7th edition of the GHS starting in January. Oh, and there's a shiny new

## Snip the Straps

The RSPCA in the UK has appealed to the public to snip the straps of disposable masks before disposing of them, to stop animals from becoming entangled in the straps. Although we don't use as many face masks in Australia as they are currently using in the UK, it is still worth remembering that animals can become entangled in face masks just as they can become tangled in the plastic rings from milk bottles.

So, before you chuck them in the bin, snip the straps!

## Reducing waste while being Covid Safe

Some people were unable to access the link in this article in the November Safety newsletter, so we have updated the link and are rerunning the article here.

UNSW retailers have returned to accepting reusable cups and containers after a temporary pause due to initial Covid safety concerns. Such concerns have incentivised an increase in single-use plastic across the world. Nine months into the pandemic, it is timely to reflect on how we can protect both our health and the environment. Click here to learn how you can avoid single-use plastic and still be Covid safe.



