

DEFENCE INDUSTRY CAPABILITY STATEMENT



Ace Contractors Group - Brief Introduction

Established in 1971 ACE Contractors Group offers a diverse portfolio of services through our divisions, civil, infrastructure, landscaping, electrical, water, environmental and equipment services. These units combine to offer our clients an integrated service, mitigating interface risks. We employ over 250 staff and Group turnover was \$152 Million in 2019/20 FY.

The business owns and operates from our head office in Nunawading Vic with facilities for 120 office staff, ACE's projects are Australia wide (Victoria, NSW, Qld, Tasmania, South Australia, Western Australia). Over the past 50 years ACE Group service all facets of the building and construction industry throughout Australia. Ace comprises of Civil, Infrastructure, Electrical, Landscape, Irrigation and maintenance divisions working collectively to focus 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 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 such as public open space, botanical gardens, and playgrounds.

Defence Experience

We have, to date, successfully delivered in excess of \$20million in projects at Australian Defence Force sites around the country as a principal contractor to the Directorate of Estate Works Program (DEWPO) and as a subcontractor. We have recently completed works at RAAF Base East Sale, Point Wilson Explosive Ordnance Facility, Point Cook (Airside works) and are currently undertaking head contracting works at HMAS Cerberus, Albury-Wodonga Military Area and Victoria Barracks in Melbourne Victoria.



Resources

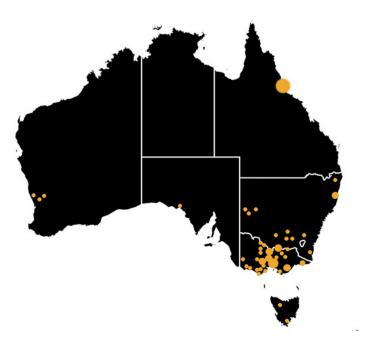
Aligned with our company experience, key staff have amassed considerable experience on defence, airport and other projects with a strong emphasis on national security. We have strategically hired experienced staff to expand this capability across all attributes of our delivery focusing on major project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

ACE are committed to achieving socially beneficial outcomes wherever possible through our employment, subcontracting and project delivery, our company policy of using a spread of social and Indigenous organisations allows the benefits to be shared in conjunction with our project specific Social Procurement Management Plan will ensure that the best possible outcome for society, the project's targets and our organisation are identified, sourced and met.

Ace are committed to introducing trainee's 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 each region.

ACE are currently finalising a Defence Industry Security Program membership which will allow an internal Baseline Security sponsorship of applicable staff. ACE also 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 are compliant with the Building Code of 2016 and its entities can perform Commonwealth Funded Building Works.



ACE Group Construction Project Footprint 2020