Figure 1. Flow chart to identify confined spaces (from NSW Code of Practice, 2022).



Figure 2



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| **Appendix A -** Confined Space Criteria  | Confined Space?  |
| Example of the space and activity  | **A**  | **B**  | **C**  | **D**  | If the answer to A, B, C and at least one of D is yes, then the space is a confined space.  |
| Is the space enclosed or partially enclosed?  | Is the space not designed or intended to be occupied by a person?  | Is the space designed or intended to be, at normal atmospheric pressure while any person is in the space?  | Does the space present a risk from:  |
| Harmful airborne or flammable contaminants  | An unsafe oxygen level  | Engulfment  |
| Sewer with access via vertical ladder  | ü  | ü  | ü  | ü  | ü  | ü  | Yes  |
| Entering a shipping container to unload or inspect goods  | ü  | Depends  | ü  |   | ü  |   | No  |
| Dislodging a sludge blockage in a drain pit  | ü  | ü  | ü  | ü  | ü  | ü  | Yes  |
| Inspection of a used tank before decommissioning  | ü  | ü  | ü  | ü  | ü  | ü  | Yes  |