

# 3 things you need to know about the engineered stone ban

## 1 Why is the ban in place?

Some engineered stone workers have been diagnosed with a life threatening and avoidable disease called silicosis.

Safe Work Australia found the disease was linked to the silica dust released when cutting, drilling or polishing engineered stone.

Australia banned the material to keep engineered stone workers safe.

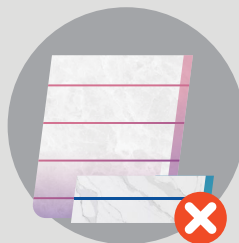


## 2 What's included in the ban?

The manufacture, supply, processing and installation of engineered stone:



Benchtops



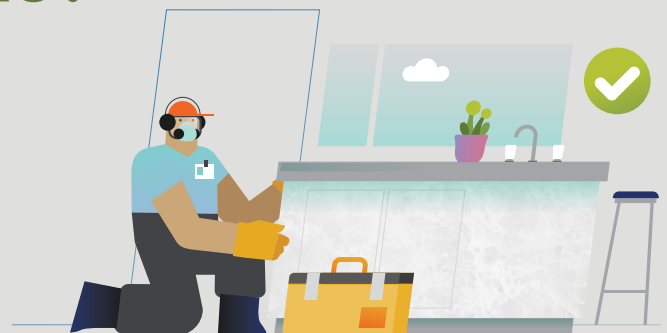
Slabs



Panels

## 3 What do I need to do?

You don't need to worry about removing any engineered stone. It is safe to keep it installed. You should contact a qualified tradesperson to carry out repairs or minor modifications.



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