

COMPLIANCE-DRIVEN RIGGING FOR CRITICAL INFRASTRUCTURE

In Australia's high-risk construction environments, precision and compliance are everything and that's where Hard Bakka Rigging has carved out its reputation. Operating out of South-West Sydney and servicing projects nationwide, the company delivers structural steel erection, crane operations, and complex lift solutions across defence, government, mining, renewable energy and industrial sectors.

What sets Hard Bakka Rigging apart is its deep generational experience in steel, combining the hands-on steel knowledge of fabrication, erection, tolerances, and failure modes, with a depth of knowledge, spanning targeted asset investment, modern delivery and Tier-1 compliance systems. As General Manager Mona Hwalla explains, "We're not just riggers — we understand steel from fabrication through to final installation. That knowledge changes how we plan lifts, tolerances, and sequencing on site."

The company operates to AS/NZS 5131 erection standards and maintains ISO 9001, 14001 and 45001 systems, with full traceability documentation and QA/QC oversight for site works. "Safety and documentation aren't add-ons for us," Mona says. "They're built into how we operate every day."

Hard Bakka Rigging's portfolio spans critical infrastructure sectors, including NSW Government projects, defence hangars, mining facilities, renewable energy plants and specialised data centre infrastructure.

At the Southern Highlands Data Campus in 2023, Hard Bakka Rigging delivered an 880m² structural steel package on time and with zero safety incidents, supporting one of Australia's early purpose-built liquid-cooled data facilities. The company applied the same disciplined delivery approach at the Snowy Hydro 2.0 Kurri Kurri power station, erecting seven structural steel shelters under strict Tier-1 controls.

"These projects reflect our ability to deliver complex steel packages where precision, programme certainty and strict compliance standards



Southern Highlands Data Campus



are essential, often within restricted work zones, that demand uncompromising safety and quality," Mona notes.

Beyond workforce skill, asset investment is another differentiator. The company operates its own compliant 30-tonne mobile crane, 20T Franna, EWP's and specialised lifting gear, allowing better control over lift methodology and mobilisation. "Owning key plant means we're not waiting on third-party availability," Mona explains. "It gives clients certainty."

Family-owned and growing, Hard Bakka Rigging continues expanding its experience and crews and Tier-1 project capability. "Growth for us isn't about size alone," Mona says. "It's about maintaining control, compliance, and consistent delivery on projects where failure simply isn't an option."

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