

HSE ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY

The HSE is the national independent watchdog for work-related health, safety and illness. We are an independent regulator and act in the public interest to reduce work-related death and serious injury across Great Britain's workplaces. This is achieved through investigation and enforcement, research, introducing new or revised regulations and codes of practice, alerting duty holders to new and emerging risks, and, proactive measures including: stakeholder engagement, communications programmes and the provision of information and advice.

The HSE is committed to the continuous improvement of environmental performance and management and the prevention of pollution from the activities we undertake. We will comply with all applicable legal and other relevant requirements that relate to our environmental aspects, official codes of practice and, as far as practicable, accepted best practice in environmental management.

We are committed to:

- Implementing energy saving technologies and initiatives
- Adopting strategies to minimise the environmental impacts of business travel
- Using utilities in a responsible and economic way to minimise negative impacts on the environment
- Managing waste according to our duty of care, minimising volumes going to landfill, by re-use and recycling wherever possible
- Purchasing supplies wherever possible which are recycled and recyclable, and whose production and use minimises the consumption of natural resources
- Conserving resources by ensuring that buildings and fittings are properly maintained and reflect appropriate eco guidance
- Communicating this policy and our environmental performance to appropriate people working for or on behalf of the organisation
- Using contractors / suppliers who perform the services in accordance with the government's environmental policy, demonstrating commitment to the continuous improvement of environmental performance and the management and prevention of pollution from the activities they undertake.

Objectives and targets are set and reviewed each year according to the commitments for greening Government operations and procurement.

When requested this policy will be available to the public.

Signed:

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On behalf of HSE's Property Asset Management Board