



## Construction & Project Management

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### Environmental Policy

Omnis is committed to the protection and enhancement of the environment. High environmental performance is an ongoing priority to be achieved by adhering to this Environmental Policy. This will be delivered by implementing and maintaining an Environmental Management System that applies to services provided by its permanent offices and to its construction activities. This includes activities, products and services provided by organisations working on behalf of Omnis Construction Ltd.

It is the objective of the Company to :

- Continually strive for improvement in the environmental requirements relevant to its activities, products and services and regularly evaluate its compliance with such requirements.
- Proactively pursue the minimisation of environmental impacts associated with its activities, products and services.
- Endeavour to eliminate the production of polluting emissions or discharges into the environment.
- Take proactive measures to protect and preserve wildlife / flora and their natural habitats.
- Set objectives, targets and programmes and review and revise them regularly with the aim of continual improvement in environmental performance.

These objectives shall be achieved through the Company's management systems and shall be shall be facilitated by :

- Programmed presentations / communications.
- Employee training and instruction in sound environmental practice.

Omnis shall participate in open consultation with interested stakeholders and ensure effective communication of this Environmental Policy to all those working for and on behalf of the business.

**Martin D Worrall**  
**Director**

# Environmental Procedures – Site Waste Management & Project Environmental Plans

## Site Waste Management Plan (SWMP)

The Site Waste Management Plan is an important tool for improving environmental performance, meeting regulatory controls and reducing rising costs of disposing of waste.

## Project Environmental Plan (PEP)

We have a duty of care under the Environmental Protection Act 1990 to ensure that the storage, disposal, removal, monitoring & management of waste produced on site, including the ticketing system implemented, will be effective on this project.

## Controls

Omnis endeavour to ensure that waste is minimised and reduced whenever possible, safely stored and disposed of to a correct licensed facility. The possibility of reusing materials either on site or to be recycled offsite will be actively considered at all times.

Early contact will be made, in conjunction with our partners, with the local Environmental Protection Officer having specific responsibility for this site area so that the appropriate advice can be sought and resultant action can be implemented into the SWMP and the PEP.

Specific areas will be designated on site for the separation of materials for potential recycling, salvage, reuse and return. These areas will be so marked and kept clean and tidy. Waste will be segregated into skips that will be clearly labelled to show what waste can be put into each skip.

As a minimum, waste will be segregated into general controlled waste, inert or inactive material, hazardous material and scrap metal. A monthly return will be compiled summarising the waste generated during that month, and circulated to all involved parties as agreed.

Our Project Manager will be responsible for ensuring:

- That all site personnel are aware of the SWMP & PEP;
- that skips are regularly checked by specified personnel;
- that no cross contamination is occurring;
- that the skips are full before removal for disposal;
- that skips are not leaking or damaged when being used for storage of wet or hazardous waste;
- that the license for the chosen disposal company is current and relevant for the type of waste being disposed of, and obtaining a copy of the license prior to any waste being disposed of;

- that a consignment note is completed for each skip as it leaves site and that a procedure is in place for recording the type and weight of each load;
- that any loose or contaminated loads are sheeted over before leaving the site;
- that any Special Waste is identified prior to handling or removal;
- that appropriate records of all waste removed from site are maintained.

## **Material Handling, Storage & Use**

Omnis recognise that poor storage and handling of materials can result in high waste levels and pollution. Consideration of delivery methods, timing and appropriate storage areas will be given to all materials delivered to this project, using the following guidelines:

- A culture of 'good housekeeping' is developed;
- deliveries to be supervised to ensure compliance to order; and to offload and store correctly, using equipment appropriate to the material type and volume;
- storage areas to be allocated for materials and marked on a materials storage plan (considering weather protection, cross contamination, avoiding double handling, arrange 'just in time' deliveries);
- consider reusing materials such as formwork, timber cut-offs;
- plan cutting lists to minimise waste ensuring operatives aware;
- ensure one batch of material fully used before starting to use next batch;
- ensure bulk order call offs to minimise storage and waste/deterioration on site;
- ensure material is banded & identified for correct use and that suitable handling methods are used to distribute to workplace.

## **Waste Management Goals**

As part of the SWMP, an analysis of each type of material to be used will be made and a waste target factor set, these targets will then be monitored as the work progresses.

All personnel will be made aware of the waste management plan for the project as part of their site induction and details will be posted onto the site notice boards.

## **Pollution Prevention & Control**

At the commencement of the project a survey of the site will be undertaken with the Project Team, and if required the Service Provider; to identify all existing services. All services found will be identified and marked as agreed, and any protection agreed and implemented. Any storage tanks will be checked for content and emptied prior to removal in accordance with current regulations as agreed.

The site will be securely protected with safety fencing and storage containers etc securely locked to prevent any

pollution occurring as a result of break-ins and theft.

**On site burning will be strictly prohibited.**

Any site drainage manholes on site will be colour coded, i.e. blue for surface water and red for foul drains to prevent inadvertent pollution into drainage systems.

All deliveries of fuels and hazardous materials will be supervised by a responsible, nominated person who will check storage tank levels before off loading to ensure overspills do not occur and that the product is delivered to the correct tank. All storage containers will be clearly marked with their contents. A contingency plan will be in place to deal with any spillages that will be communicated to personnel involved. This will include the provision of oil absorbent rolls or granules, approved chemical absorbent material and or a supply of sand.

All fuel, oil and chemicals storage will be sited at ground level on an impervious base and bunded. Any leaking or damaged containers must be removed from site and disposed of to a licensed tip and recorded. All valves and trigger guns must be fully turned off and securely locked when not in use. A notice to this effect will be displayed adjacent to the valves and trigger guns.

Prior to any tank being removed at the end of the Project, all the contents will be emptied by a competent operator for safe disposal. All associated pipework will be included in this disposal, which after being drained, will be capped to prevent spillage.

The use of all mechanical plant powered by internal combustion engines will be strictly controlled by designated operatives to ensure that engines are turned off when not required in order to save fuel and to minimise exhaust emissions. All such plant will be suitably silenced and or muffled to minimise noise emissions.

Any water containing silt, i.e. from excavation pumping, wheel washing equipment etc, will not be pumped directly into any surface water drain, without having first being allowed to settle in a sump or settlement tank.

Site roads will be regularly brushed, scraped and kept free from dust and mud deposits. In dry weather it may be necessary to instigate suppression measures.

All washing out of concrete or mortar mixers will be controlled in order to prevent such washings entering the drainage systems.

All temporary drainage systems for the project site offices and welfare facilities will be connected into the nearest suitable drains and regularly checked for integrity.

A monthly summary of any pollution incidents that may have accidentally occurred, together with any positive pollution prevention measures implemented, will be prepared. The report will be circulated to all involved parties as agreed.