

Environmental Policy Statement

1.1 General Information

- 1.1.1 Aimrange (NE) Limited has prepared this Environmental Policy Statement (EPS) that reflects its activities in the construction and drainage cleaning industries and its efforts to work towards a cleaner environment.
- 1.1.2 This statement also reflects the Company's intentions to abide by all legislation relating to the environment. This legislation includes The Environment and Safety Information Act 1988, The Environmental Protection Act 1990, The Environment Act 1995, The Water Resources and Water Industry Acts 1991 as well as many others Acts of Parliament and associated Regulations.
- 1.1.3 The Company will also look to managing its own work activities in line with those recommended by the Water Jetting Association.
- 1.1.4 This EPS forms part of the Company's Environmental Management System (EMS).

1.2 Energy

- 1.2.1 The Company will look to sourcing energy providers that 'champion' the environment as one of their core competencies.
- 1.2.2 Regular checks on heating, lighting and other energy providers will be made by the Company to ensure that the most appropriate environmental resources are used. These will impact on the offices the Company works from in Blyth, Northumberland and on all the external construction and water sewage / drainage sites its employees are required to visit.
- 1.2.3 Where feasible the Company will look to reducing fuel used for heating and thus only heat areas in the offices and adjoining warehouse / storage facilities that have an impact on the work the employees carry out.
- 1.2.4 A similar approach will be made to lighting and hot water to ensure that energy resources are kept to a minimum.

1.3 Air Emissions (Heating Systems)

- 1.3.1 To reduce the negative impact on the environment from air emissions the Company will look to carry out regular inspections & checks on it's heating system to ensure the system is working efficiently.
- 1.3.2 If a situation transposed where the system needed to be overhauled, to ensure emissions were within the set environmental limits, the Company will look to having this done as a first priority. If the results were negative the Company would then look to installing a more up to date system that reduces emissions into the atmosphere compared to the current system.

1.4 Noise

- 1.4.1 The Company's machinery and vehicles operate mainly on 'open aired' areas and as such management are ever mindful of the need to control the levels of noise generated.
- 1.4.2 To ensure that noise levels are kept to a minimum the Company monitors noise levels regularly. If it is felt that they are excessive the management of Aimrange (NE) Limited will take evasive action to reduce the adverse impact from noise. Methods employed may be to work at times of the day where noise will have the least negative impact on the surrounding areas and local residents or liaise with other contractors on site to carry out operations when their employees are not working in the areas where Company machinery or vehicles are required to be used.
- 1.4.3 To ensure machinery and vehicles are working correctly and do not emit excessive noise levels, regular inspections and maintenance will be carried out. Records of such works will be kept.



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1.5 **Dust**

- 1.5.1 The Company operates mainly on 'open aired' sites and is ever mindful of the need to control the levels of dust generated by its work activities.
- 1.5.2 Since the principal activities of the organisation involve the use of water the issues surrounding dust are deemed to be low risk.
- 1.5.3 Should works create dust the Company employees will look to dampening down such particles at source.
- 1.5.4 The Company's policy is always to monitor work activities to ensure dust is not created and if this is not feasible then the actions in 1.5.2 will be carried out.

1.6 Water

- 1.6.1 The Company looks to work on all of its sites in a manner that will not have a detrimental impact on water supplies.
- 1.6.2 To reduce the possibility of pollution, the Company writes Method Statements for all works it undertakes and takes account of possible negative impacts on the water course.
- 1.6.3 The Company will look to use 're-cycled' water in the first instance but may have to use fresh water if the former if not available or inappropriate for the planned works. Mains water or Company mobile tankers will be used on site the nature and location of the works will depend on the source.
- 1.6.4 Where water has been sourced but not used the Company will look, in the first instance, to other organisations using the liquid. If this is not practical the Company will look to re-using such water on other drain cleaning / maintenance works at other locations. If either of the aforementioned is not practical then the Company will bring the water back to its main yard for use at another time and date.

1.7 Waste Materials (General)

- 1.7.1 The Company is ever mindful of the need to operate on site in a manner that does not create waste materials / products.
- 1.7.2 In the first instance, the Company will look to utilising all materials purchased for the work activities on the site where they are delivered thus creating no waste.
- 1.7.3 However, should such actions / situations occur where this has not been possible, the Company will look, in the second instance, to re-using such waste materials on site.
- 1.7.4 If the actions in 1.7.3 are not feasible the waste products will be offered to other contractors on site for use in their works operations.
- 1.7.5 If the actions in 1.7.4 are not feasible the Company will look to collecting all waste products and transporting them either to another location / site for use there or to send the materials to a local re-cycling station where it can be sorted and re-used in another form on other construction projects.
- 1.7.6 Should the Company need to have waste removed from site by other sources it will ensure that the waste management companies employed comply with all relevant environmental legislation.
- 1.7.7 If waste found on sites is deemed to be toxic, hazardous or irritant under CHIP Regulations, the Company will employ qualified experts to remove the material. No use of 'non-qualified' or 'inexperienced' companies will be permitted. (This aspect of waste removal will be handled jointly by the Company and the Client / Contractor whom the organisation is working for).



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1.7 Waste Materials (General) (cont).

- 1.7.8 All office waste paper will be either reused as scrap or collected and removed by an external organisation for re-cycling.
- 1.7.9 Although the Company makes every effort to reduce the amount of waste generated, it is not complacent in its activities. Aimrange (NE) continues to look to improved methods to reduce the amount of waste generated.

1.8 Transport / Carbon Emissions

- 1.8.1 The Company will endeavour to use transport systems and networks that are up to date and take account of the potential emissions emitted into the atmosphere when in use.
- 1.8.2 All vehicles will be inspected regularly and statutory inspections will be carried out by VOSA recognised organisations.
- 1.8.3 The Company will also look to reducing its carbon footprint by appropriate planning of all transport movements during each working day. Transport movements will include for all tankers, vans and cars used by employees during the course of their working day.
- 1.8.4 Daily work routes will be planned that will take account of distances to travel and look to ensure that all vehicles travel the least distances during the working day to reduce CO₂ emissions.
- 1.8.5 All tankers will be fully loaded with water at the head office at the start of the day to ensure that the maximum usage is made of the vehicles and the least number of miles are covered.

1.9 General

- 1.9.1 This Policy is written in conjunction with the Company's Health and Safety Policy that sets out the responsibilities of each employee. These responsibilities include for all employees to work within the requirements of the Company's work activities. Further details on employee's responsibilities in terms of the environment can be found in the aforementioned document.
- 1.9.2 Should any employee have any concerns or issues in respect to how the Company looks to managing its work activities so that it does not have an adverse or long term impact on the environment, a Company Director will always be available to discuss these with them. Should changes be required these will be implemented as soon as possible.

1.10 Review / Monitoring

- 1.10.1 This Policy is reviewed annually or sooner if felt necessary by the Managing Director and the Company's External Health, Safety and Environmental Consultant.
- 1.10.2 He will ensure that all employees associated with the Company are regularly informed of the content of the Policy and that where changes are made they are also informed at the earliest opportunity.
- 1.10.3 Where clarification on certain aspects of the document is required the Managing Director will consult with the Company's External Health, Safety and Environmental Advisor. Advice will also be sort, where necessary, during the annual Audit carried out by the 'Advisor'.

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