

HSS Hire: Environmental Policy Statement

Our commitment to environmental responsibility and the wider community is established with sincere intent and this will be evident by our actions. We have an obligation to continue our business in a manner that minimises our negative impact on the environment and enhances our positive contribution. We will do all that we can to meet that obligation.

Responsibility for the implementation, operation and satisfactory performance of our Environmental Policy, the aims of which are integrated with operational activities, lies with line management.

It is the policy of HSS Hire Service Group Ltd to:

- Meet or exceed relevant environmental legislation
- Set detailed and quantified objectives to implement this policy
- Commit staff and resources to ensure that the objectives are met
- Reduce waste and consumption of resources
- Eliminate polluting releases to the environment and adopt a continual improvement strategy within HSS
- Influence the design of products for optimal performance
- Have regard for the environment effects of raw material sourcing
- Minimise the environmental effects of new developments through strategic planning
- Ensure that all colleagues are trained to understand the policy and have the skills to implement it
- This policy is available to all colleagues, customers and members of the public via our intranet and the internet

Our aim is to minimise our environmental impact in a manner that balances cost effectiveness, quality and environmental issues with the views of our customers, staff, and suppliers along with regulatory and other interested parties. We shall continue to monitor our performance against this policy to bring improvements to the benefit of anyone affected by our activities.



Chris Davies Chief Executive

HSS Hire: FAQ - Environmental

- Q.** Do you have/are you setting up an environmental management system, i.e. ISO 14001?
- A.** HSS is approved for ISO14001 by our compliance partners BSI under certificate number EMS 545635.
- Q.** Do you carry out regular environmental audits?
- A.** A team of HSEQ auditors complete environmental audits and risk assessments across the entire business.
- Q.** Has your company ever been prosecuted under any environmental legislation?
- A.** No
- Q.** Do you check or monitor the environmental performance of your suppliers?
- A.** Yes, we have a questionnaire with information obtained from key suppliers relating to environmental issues.
- Q.** Do you have identified positions with responsibility for the environment?
- A.** Yes, the National Health, Safety, Environment and Quality Manager has key responsibility with a team of HSEQ advisers. The Operations Director has Main Board accountability.
- Q.** Do you offer facilities for customers to re-cycle products and packaging?
- A.** The nature of our business of hire and return is a natural re-cycle of products. The packaging associated with these items is re-cycled and where possible we also re-cycle all waste streams (oil, batteries).
- Q.** Do you use re-cycled materials?
- A.** Yes.
- Q.** Does HSS have procedures to minimise emissions?
- A.** Emissions are small within our business, Local Exhaust Ventilation systems are used when we test welding equipment and when we hire we encourage the use of fume eliminators.