

DWT-56

Company Rules, Policies & Procedures

Legislation may change before, during or after these Rules, Policies & Procedures have been issued or revised. In all cases legislation wording takes precedence.

DWT-56 Environmental Policy Statement

David Watson Transport Ltd recognises in full its responsibilities in respect of environmental protection, and accepts that it should constitute a fundamental element in company procedures and long-term strategy. Managers at all levels of the company are required to maintain the company's environmental policy. All employees are made aware of the company environment policy and are encouraged to abide by it.

The company will comply with all existing environmental legislation and, beyond that; where possible and practicable, will implement other environmentally advantageous policies. In particular, the company will: -

- 1) Only procure new vehicles that comply with the latest EC emission and noise specification.
- 2) Assist drivers to improve MPG's by in-house training to give them the skills necessary to drive in a manner that maximises fuel used. The company is committed to control, monitor and reduce the fuel consumption and emission levels of all vehicles and will whenever possible and practical consider alternative fuels. Our Service Manager monitors fuel consumption and tyre wear of all company vehicles and drivers will be retrained as necessary where deficiencies are identified.

Our Fuel and Emissions Champion (the FORS Practitioner) will monitor and analyse fuel consumption based on the data recorded by the Service Manager and identify opportunities for additional training.
- 3) Actively consider noise reduction devices for both vehicles and trailers.
- 4) Encourage road safety and good driving practice by providing suitable training.
- 5) Specify the fitting of fuel saving tyres whenever possible.
- 6) Encourage employees to adopt a responsible approach to the environment both at work and at home. Employees are encouraged to reuse paper whenever possible, print documents only when essential, to use both sides of the paper to print on, use recycled paper and other recycled material wherever it is possible and practicable to do so.
- 7) Ensure, and obtain written confirmation from all service providers, that all waste oil disposal is carried out by a licenced operator specialising in waste oil disposal.
- 8) Ensure that vehicle weights remain within legal restrictions, limiting damage to highways and the environment.
- 9) Adopt an environmental approach to the disposal of consumables used in the process of our business by ensuring that employees and our services providers recycle tyres, oil, and batteries as well as disposing of general waste and scrap metal responsibly. All worn and damaged tyres are to be removed by a certified tyre disposal company. Empty inkjet cartridges and toners from printers and photocopiers are recycled, paper is recycled
- 10) Wherever possible plan the transport to include the practice of multiple loads, split destination and back loading to reduce wastage of fuel and resources. The use of computer software and online mapping (Google maps etc.) will identify the most practicable and cost effective route to be taken.
- 11) Plan regular routine maintenance of company vehicles to reduces the level of emissions and enhances vehicle fuel consumption.
- 12) **COSHH** - Prior to purchasing hazardous substances an assessment must be made to see if the activity can be changed or completed without the use of a COSHH substance. Where this is not

practicable all efforts are to be made to find an environmentally friendly alternative. Where no alternative is available it shall be the responsibility of the purchaser to ensure that all hazardous substances obtained for use by David Watson Transport Limited are supplied with a safety data sheet from the supplier. Where the activity or substance is new, a COSHH assessment is to be completed by the H & S Manager. Once completed the assessment will be placed in the relevant depot COSHH register.

- 13) Ensure COSHH Risk Assessments and safety data sheets are available to staff for their information in the Depot COSHH register. Staff must read and sign on to COSHH assessments associated to their work activities.
- 14) Take reasonable steps to ensure that any hazardous goods carried are properly packaged in accordance with relevant national and international law.
- 15) Have an **Emergency Response Procedure** in place.

In the event of a major fuel leak or breakdowns caused by hydraulic leaks or hose failures the operator will shut the vehicle down to reduce fluid loss. Minor spillages up to approximately 20 litres are to be controlled by the use of absorbent mats or granules. All vehicles carry emergency spill kits.

Where contamination of a waterway is possible the operator is to minimise the risk by placing absorbent mats on the spillage. Where a spillage is beyond the control of the operator, they must seek assistance immediately from the company Health and Safety Director / Health & Safety Manager who will contact the relevant agencies, and inform their Local Manager.

Environment Agency

24-hour UK Emergency Response

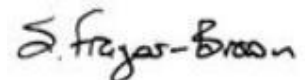
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- 16) Employ a "green" policy with regard to company vehicles, and encourage staff to do so with privately owned vehicles.
- 17) Encourage all staff to suggest means of reducing damage to the environment wherever possible.

As they become known, the company will consider other environmentally advantageous practices, and take account of local authority and community representations made to it. David Watson Transport Limited is firmly committed to actively reducing damage to the environment wherever possible and practical to do so.

This Environmental Policy is reviewed regularly; last review was 28th November 2018.

Any representations or correspondences should be made to David Watson Transport Ltd Board of Directors.



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(Director responsible for the environment)