

Environmental Policy



Norse Commercial Services is committed to working with its partners and stakeholders in promoting and achieving sustainable development of the environment. In meeting this challenge it will promote the reduction of any adverse environmental impact arising from the activities of the business.

To achieve this ambition we will:

1. Seek to continually improve our environmental performance and comply with environmental legislation and other requirements.
2. Aim to prevent pollution by adopting good environmental working practices and ensure these are effective by measuring and monitoring our current performance and through an environmental audit process, adopting specific targets for each year. This is integral in meeting Norse's ISO 14001 certification.
3. We will aim to employ the best techniques and procedures to minimise emissions and to prevent the incidence of spillage.
4. Through all our work activities seek to enhance and protect the character of the landscape and biodiversity wherever practicable. We will ensure that wherever possible no polluting matter enters surface waters or groundwater and will obtain permission before discharging any contaminated water. Before commencing any grounds maintenance or related works we will check the areas for endangered species, protected plant species, trees subject to a Tree Preservation Order and protected archaeology.
5. Ensure that any plant or vehicles purchased have regard for the environment and are equipped with the best available CO2 emissions controls. We will also consider the potential for alternative fuels and technology, together with route optimisation, which will be a key factor in further reducing the environmental impact of our transportation fleet, in accordance with the aims of our corporate performance management system.
6. Adopt processes in our operations to ensure that the material waste is minimised by encouraging the principles of reduction, re-use and recycling. Any waste that remains we will ensure is disposed of in compliance with the law.
7. Ensure that we manage our use of utilities responsibly by looking at opportunities to reduce our energy and water consumption and contribute to climate change obligations.
8. Engage with our suppliers/contractors to encourage them to adopt sound environmental practice. We will follow environmental procurement guidelines to reduce the impact of our purchasing decisions. We will continue to develop the use of electronic communication to reduce the need for paper use.
9. Encourage all staff to recognise and act upon their responsibilities to the environment by conforming to this policy. Commercial Directors and Senior Managers will be responsible for the day-to-day implementation of this policy. Training and awareness raising programmes will be developed as required.
10. Review this policy regularly to ensure that it fully reflects the environmental impact of the organisation's diverse activities.