

Confined Space Group Ltd

Environmental Policy Statement



1. Policy Overview

Confined Space Group Ltd (CSG Ltd) is committed to achieving high standards of environmental performance across all confined space, construction, and associated operational activities.

This policy sets out our strategic approach to environmental management in alignment with:

- ISO 14001:2026 Environmental Management Systems
- Environment Act 2021 and subsequent regulatory updates
- Environmental Protection Act 1990
- Construction (Design and Management) Regulations 2015
- Relevant local authority, planning, and environmental permitting requirements

Our Environmental Management System (EMS) provides a structured framework to identify, manage, and continually improve environmental performance, ensuring full legal compliance and alignment with client expectations.

2. Strategic Commitment

CSG Ltd will:

- Comply with all applicable environmental legislation, regulations, and codes of practice.
- Prevent pollution and minimise environmental disturbance arising from our operations.
- Promote environmental awareness, responsibility, and accountability across all levels of the organisation.
- Provide appropriate training, instruction, and resources to ensure personnel understand and fulfil their environmental duties.
- Establish measurable environmental objectives and targets, reviewed annually as part of our EMS.
- Engage clients, suppliers, and subcontractors in sustainable practices and continuous improvement.
- Maintain documented procedures for environmental emergency preparedness and response.
- Assess and control environmental risks at both strategic and operational levels.
- Integrate climate change, biodiversity protection, and resource-efficiency considerations into planning and decision-making.
- Strengthen governance and leadership oversight of environmental performance across the value chain.

3. Environmental Conditions, Climate Change & Dependencies

In accordance with ISO 14001:2026, CSG Ltd identifies and evaluates the environmental conditions that may affect our operations and the impacts our activities may have on the environment. These include:

- Climate-related risks such as extreme weather, heat, flooding, and storm events.
- Local environmental conditions, including water quality, noise-sensitive receptors, air quality, and ecological sensitivities.

- Natural resource dependencies, including energy, water, fuel, and raw materials.
- Biodiversity considerations, including potential impacts on habitats, protected species, and ecological networks.

These factors are incorporated into environmental risk assessments, operational planning, and emergency preparedness.

4. Environmental Objectives & Performance Indicators

To demonstrate continual improvement and environmental stewardship, CSG Ltd sets clear objectives supported by measurable performance indicators. These are reviewed through internal audits, management reviews, and site inspections.

Key environmental objectives include:

- **Waste Reduction** - Increase segregation, reuse, and recycling across all sites, diverting the majority of non-hazardous waste from landfill through licensed carriers and responsible disposal routes.
- **Fuel Efficiency & Emissions Reduction** - Improve fuel efficiency across our fleet and plant by monitoring consumption, optimising logistics, reducing idling, and maintaining vehicles to manufacturer standards.
- **Climate Impact Reduction** - Reduce greenhouse gas emissions through efficient transport planning, low-emission equipment, and energy-efficient operational practices.
- **Biodiversity Protection** - Identify and protect sensitive habitats, avoid unnecessary disturbance, and implement site-specific ecological controls where required.
- **Noise & Vibration Management** - Minimise noise pollution by selecting low-noise equipment, scheduling high-impact activities responsibly, and responding promptly to complaints or restrictions.
- **Sustainable Materials** - Increase the use of sustainable materials, including recycled products, certified timber, and low-carbon alternatives. Work with clients and suppliers to embed sustainability into procurement and design decisions.
- **Training & Awareness** - Enhance staff engagement through structured environmental training, toolbox talks, and induction programmes. Track completion rates and encourage feedback to improve content.

Each objective is supported by internal KPIs monitored quarterly or annually. Where performance falls short, corrective actions are implemented and tracked to closure.

5. Pollution Prevention & Site Controls

CSG Ltd will:

- Prevent contamination of land, air, and water through effective site management.
- Control emissions from plant, vehicles, and confined space operations.
- Manage noise and vibration impacts in accordance with local authority guidelines.
- Ensure all waste is segregated, stored, and disposed of responsibly using licensed carriers.
- Maintain spill kits, containment measures, and emergency procedures on all active sites.
- Implement controls that consider climate-related risks such as flooding, heat, and severe weather.

6. Resource Efficiency & Sustainable Procurement

We will:

- Minimise consumption of energy, water, and raw materials through efficient planning and operational controls.
- Prioritise materials with low environmental impact, including recycled content and certified timber.
- Work with suppliers to embed environmental criteria into procurement decisions.
- Encourage clients to adopt sustainable design and construction principles.
- Assess supplier and subcontractor environmental performance as part of value-chain oversight.

7. Transport & Equipment

CSG Ltd will:

- Procure fuel-efficient, low-emission vehicles and maintain them to manufacturer standards.
- Plan logistics to reduce unnecessary travel and optimise fuel use.
- Ensure all equipment is maintained and operated to minimise environmental impact.
- Monitor emissions, idling, and fuel consumption as part of environmental performance evaluation.
- Maintain & honour our FORS Silver status

8. Roles & Responsibilities

Managing Director

The Managing Director is accountable for the implementation and continual improvement of this policy, ensuring environmental performance is integrated into strategic planning and that adequate resources are allocated.

Environmental Coordinator / Advisor

The appointed competent person is responsible for:

- Overseeing compliance with environmental legislation
- Conducting risk assessments, audits, and training
- Maintaining the EMS and supporting operational teams in achieving environmental objectives
- Monitoring environmental performance and reporting to leadership

Employees & Subcontractors

All personnel must:

- Follow environmental procedures and site-specific controls
- Participate in training and awareness programmes
- Report environmental risks, incidents, or improvement opportunities
- Comply with environmental requirements set for suppliers and subcontractors

9. Risk Assessment & Legal Compliance

CSG Ltd conducts:

- Annual environmental risk assessments covering materials, vehicles, equipment, waste, and site management
- Site-specific assessments for each contract phase, aligned with planning conditions and local sensitivities
- Legal compliance audits to ensure adherence to all applicable environmental laws, permits, and regulatory requirements
- Supplier and subcontractor environmental performance reviews to ensure value-chain compliance with ISO 14001:2026 expectations

10. Continual Improvement & Audit Readiness

We maintain:

- A documented EMS aligned with ISO 14001:2015
- Internal audit schedules and corrective action logs
- Management review records demonstrating leadership engagement
- Evidence of stakeholder consultation and community impact assessments
- Monitoring of climate, biodiversity, resource-efficiency, and value-chain performance indicators

11. Review Schedule

This policy will be reviewed:

- Annually
- Following changes in legislation, operations, or environmental risk profile
- After significant incidents, audits, or stakeholder feedback

Authorisation

Policy adopted and agreed for Confined Space Group Ltd:

Tony Bowman

Managing Director

Date: 9th May 2026

Signed: *Tony Bowman*