

Confined Space Group Ltd

Environmental Policy Statement



1. Policy Overview

Confined Space Group Ltd (CSG Ltd) is committed to environmental excellence across all confined space and construction-related operations. This policy outlines our strategic approach to environmental management, in accordance with:

- ISO 14001:2015 Environmental Management Systems
- The Environment Act 2021
- Environmental Protection Act 1990
- Construction (Design and Management) Regulations 2015
- Local authority and planning requirements

Our Environmental Management System (EMS) is designed to identify, control, and continually improve our 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 from operations.
- Promote environmental awareness and accountability across all levels of the organisation.
- Provide training and resources to ensure personnel understand and fulfil their environmental responsibilities.
- Set measurable 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 emergency preparedness and response.
- Ensure environmental risks are assessed and controlled at both strategic and operational levels.

3. Environmental Objectives & Performance Indicators

To demonstrate our commitment to continual improvement and environmental stewardship, Confined Space Group Ltd sets clear objectives supported by measurable performance indicators. These are reviewed regularly through internal audits, management reviews, and site inspections.

Our key environmental objectives include:

- Reducing construction waste by increasing segregation, reuse, and recycling across all sites. We aim to divert the majority of non-hazardous waste from landfill through licensed carriers and responsible disposal routes.
- Improving fuel efficiency across our fleet and plant by monitoring fuel consumption, optimising logistics, and maintaining vehicles to manufacturer standards. We promote route planning and reduced idling to lower emissions.
- Minimising noise pollution by selecting low-noise equipment, scheduling high-impact activities responsibly, and responding promptly to any complaints or site-specific restrictions.
- Increasing the use of sustainable materials by prioritising products with recycled content, certified timber, and low embodied carbon. We work with clients and suppliers to embed sustainability into procurement and design decisions.
- Enhancing staff awareness and engagement through structured environmental training, toolbox talks, and induction programmes. We track completion rates and encourage feedback to improve content and delivery.

Each objective is supported by internal key performance indicators (KPIs), which are monitored quarterly or annually depending on the activity. Where performance falls short, corrective actions are implemented and tracked to closure.

4. 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, with licensed carriers.
- Maintain spill kits and emergency procedures on all active sites.

5. Resource Efficiency & Sustainable Procurement

We will:

- Minimise consumption of energy, water, and raw materials through efficient planning.
- Prioritise materials with low environmental impact, including recycled and certified timber.
- Work with suppliers to embed environmental criteria into procurement decisions.
- Encourage clients to adopt sustainable design and construction principles.

6. 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.

7. Roles & Responsibilities

Managing Director

Tony Bowman is accountable for the implementation and continual improvement of this policy. He ensures that environmental performance is integrated into strategic planning and that adequate resources are allocated.

Environmental Coordinator / Advisor

The appointed competent person oversees compliance, risk assessments, audits, and training. They maintain the EMS and support operational teams in achieving environmental objectives.

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.

8. 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 and permits.

9. Continual Improvement & Audit Readiness

We maintain:

- A documented Environmental Management System 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.

10. Review Schedule

This policy will be reviewed:

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

9. Authorisation

Policy adopted and agreed for Confined Space Group Ltd:

Tony Bowman

Managing Director

Date: 26th August 2025

Signed: *Tony Bowman*

