



ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY



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1 INTRODUCTION

1.1 This company recognises that it has an obligation to help protect the environment and the neighbourhoods in which we operate.

1.2 This awareness is a fundamental part of the company's business strategy. We will seek, as far as is reasonably practicable, to minimise the company's effects on the environment.

2 BUSINESS

2.1 We will ensure environmental issues are considered carefully at all levels when planning and conducting business activities.

3 REGULATIONS

3.1 We will acknowledge all applicable regulatory bodies including the Environment Agency and our own Local Authorities.

3.2 By working with our trade association, the Builders Merchant Federation, we will ensure our continued awareness of changes in environmental legislation.

4 EMPLOYEES

4.1 We will ensure our employees understand and act in accordance with our environmental aims.

5 PRODUCT

5.1 We seek to provide an environmentally friendly range of products and will inform our customers of the health & safety impacts by supplier labelling and the availability of data sheets.

5.2 We have Forest Stewardship Council (FSC) and Programme for the Endorsement of Forest Certification Schemes (PEFC) certification to ensure the majority of our timber and timber products come from responsibly managed forests.

6 HEALTH & SAFETY

6.1 We will aim to minimise the environmental health & safety risks to our employees, customers, suppliers & the general public.

7 ACTIVITIES

7.1 We will manage our activities in line with best practice to control the impact on the local community of noise, dust, light emissions and traffic movement.

8 ENERGY

8.1 We seek to reduce energy consumption and water usage at all our premises and make the most effective use of our vehicles in line with business activities.

9 WASTE

9.1 We will aim to minimise our waste and segregate it for reuse/recycling.

10 PERFORMANCE

10.1 We will seek to improve our performance in the above areas year on year.

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