

Compliance Assessment Report CAR_NRW0040155

Permit being assessed: ZP3199VK.

For: K G Matthews Auto Salvage, held by Mr Lee Matthews & Mr Sion Matthews

At: Pentre Berw, Gaerwen, Ynys Mon, LL60 6LF.

Type of assessment carried out: Site Inspection, Reason: Routine.

On 19/07/2022 between 12:15 and 13:00.

Parts of permit assessed: see below

NRW Lead Officer: Daniel Grant, accompanied by Beth Bentley.

Report sent to: Mr Lee Mathews, TCM on 21/07/2022.

1. Summary of our findings (full details in section 4)

Part of permitted activity assessed (criteria)	Assessment result	Permit condition
A1 - Specified by permit	Assessed (A)	
B3 - Infrastructure - Site drainage engineering (clean and foul)	Assessed (A)	
C4 - General Management - Storage, handling labelling and Segregation	Assessed (A)	
F1 - Amenity - Odour	Assessed (A)	
F2 - Amenity - Noise	Assessed (A)	
F3 - Amenity - Dust/fibres/particulates and litter	Assessed (A)	
F4 - Amenity - Pests/birds and scavengers	Assessed (A)	
F5 - Amenity - Deposits on road	Assessed (A)	

Result types are explained in more detail in the 'Important Information' section below.

Total number of non-compliances recorded	Total non-compliance score
0	0

How we use the non-compliance score to calculate your annual fee is explained in the 'Important Information' section below.

2. What action is required?

No action required.

3. What will happen next?

Any non-compliance we have identified and recorded on this form is an offence. It can result in criminal prosecution and/or suspension or revocation of your permit.

At this time, we do not intend to take any further action.

This statement does not stop us from taking additional enforcement action if further relevant information comes to light or offences continue.

4. Details of our assessment

Routine unannounced inspection carried out at 12:15 pm by Daniel Grant (Hazardous Waste Regulation Officer), accompanied by Beth Bentley (Tackling Waste Crime Officer).

Weather conditions were sunny and hot with some cloud coverage.

Officers signed into the site using the sign in book and were accompanied around the site by Lee Mathews (TCM).

The TCM certification for Sion and Lee Mathews is due to expire on the 31/07/22 and the 17/08/22, respectively. It was explained by Lee Mathews that both Sion and Lee were signed up to take their continued competency training. Please ensure evidence of this continuing competency is sent to us for our records upon completion.

The ELV depollution yard, storage areas, and lower storage yard were inspected during the visit.

Approximately a 100 depolluted ELV's were stored on hard standing in the lower storage yard (Figure 1). The surfaces appeared in good condition here with no visible sign of any pollution. The oil interceptor which captures any discharge from this area of the site was inspected, there was no visible sign of any oil (Figure 2).



Figure 1. Lower storage yard with depolluted ELV's.



Figure 2. Inspected oil interceptor at end of lower storage yard.

It was noted that there was one vehicle stored on the hard standing which had not been depolluted. It was explained by Lee Mathews that this vehicle had not been sent to Mathews Auto Salvage as “waste” and that it was still road worthy. If the decision is made to discard this vehicle as waste at any point, then it must be stored on the site’s impermeable surface prior to depollution.

Three vehicles were stored on the depollution yard and were part-way through being depolluted. The depollution yard benefits from an impermeable surface and sealed drainage. Parts with potentially contaminating run-off (shock absorbers and engine blocks) were also stored on the impermeable surface (Figure 3). Officers also saw the oil interceptor where the drainage from the depollution yard discharges to (Figure 3).



Figure 3. Potentially contaminating parts stored on an impermeable surface



Figure 4. Oil interceptor for depollution yard drainage.

There were two skips full of waste tyres, it was explained that these would be removed from site by Phoenix Metals soon. In addition, a new building for storing waste tyres had been built on site. When this building has been completed and working practices and storage locations change on site, please ensure this is reflected in your EMS.

The oil tank was stored within a double bunded area indoors and appeared free from any leaks or spillages.

Waste batteries were stored in an appropriate acid-resistant container and appeared free from any cracks or leaks (Figure 5)



Figure 5. Waste batteries stored in an acid-resistant container (lid placed next to it)

No amenity issues were noted during the visit.

Mathews Auto Salvage was registered as a Hazardous Waste Producer at the time of the inspection (until the 12/01/23).

If you have any further questions about the contents of this report, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours sincerely

Daniel Grant

Hazardous Waste Regulation Officer

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If you have any queries about this report, or to discuss completion of any actions, please contact the NRW Officer named above.

Important information

Legal status of this report

Your permit is issued to you under the Environmental Permitting Regulations. You have a responsibility to comply with the conditions of your permit and prevent pollution/harm of the environment. You must also ensure that you comply with any other relevant legislation that may apply to your site's operations.

This report explains the findings of our assessment and any action you are required to take. We categorise non-compliance using our guidance for assessing non-compliance at regulated sites.

When we find potential non-compliance/s we will normally give you advice on how to maintain compliance.

To correct non-compliance, we may:

- require you to take specific actions
- issue a notice
- review the conditions of your permit.

Any advice and guidance we give will be without prejudice to any other enforcement response that we consider may be required.

Assessment results and non-compliance categories (used in section 1):

Assessment result	Description
Assessed (A)	Assessed or assessed in part, no evidence of non-compliance found
Action only (X)	Action only relating to the activity assessment
Ongoing (O)	Ongoing non-compliance, not scored

Non-compliance category	Description	Score
C1 Major	Potential to have a major, serious, persistent and/or extensive impact or effect on the environment, people and/or property	60
C2 Significant	Potential to have a significant impact or effect on the environment, people and/or property	31
C3 Minor	Potential to have a minor or minimal impact or effect on the environment, people and/or property	4
C4 No environmental impact	Non-compliance at a regulated site that cannot foreseeably have any impact on the environment, people and/or property	0.1

How we use assessment scores

The number and severity of non-compliances recorded in a year will affect your annual subsistence fee the following year. A non-compliance factor is added to your site's Operator

Performance Risk Appraisal (OPRA) score when we calculate your fee to reflect the additional resource we use to assess permit compliance.

What are suspended scores?

In line with our guidance, we may suspend scores for up to six months to allow time for remedial action to be taken. Suspended scores will be re-instated if the action is not completed.

Full list of Industry and Waste action criteria (used in section 1 and 2):**A: Permitted activities**

- A1 Specified by permit

B: Infrastructure

- B1 Infrastructure – Engineering for prevention and control of emissions
- B2 Infrastructure – Closure and decommissioning
- B3 Infrastructure – Site drainage engineering (clean and foul)
- B4 Infrastructure – Containment of stored materials
- B5 Infrastructure – Plant and equipment

C: General management

- C1 General management – Staff competency/training
- C2 General management – Management system and operating procedures
- C3 General management – Materials acceptance
- C4 General management – Storage, handling, labelling and segregation

D: Incident management

- D1 Incident management – Site security
- D2 Incident management – Accidents, emergency and incident planning

E: Emissions

- E1 Emissions – Air
- E2 Emissions – Land and groundwater
- E3 Emissions – Surface water
- E4 Emissions – Sewer
- E5 Emissions – Waste

F: Amenity

- F1 Amenity – Odour
- F2 Amenity – Noise
- F3 Amenity – Dust/fibres/particulates and litter
- F4 Amenity – Pests/birds and scavengers
- F5 Amenity – Deposits on road

G: Monitoring and records, maintenance and reporting

- G1 Monitoring and records, maintenance and reporting – Monitoring of emissions and environment
- G2 Monitoring and records, maintenance and reporting – Records of activity, site diary/journal/events
- G3 Monitoring and records, maintenance and reporting – Maintenance records
- G4 Monitoring and records, maintenance and reporting – Reporting and notification to Natural Resources Wales

H: Resources efficiency

- H1 Resource efficiency – Efficient use of raw materials
- H2 Resource efficiency – Energy efficiency

Enforcement response

Any permit condition non-compliance is an offence and we may take legal action against you. Action we take can include prosecution, serving a notice on you and/or suspension or revocation of your permit. See our Enforcement and Sanctions Guidance for further information.

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- carrying out statistical analysis, research and development on environmental issues
- providing public register information to enquirers
- investigating possible breaches of environmental law
- assessing customer service satisfaction and improving our service
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