

Compliance Assessment Report CAR_NRW0043462

Permit being assessed: SP3495FG.

For: M & E Bin Hire, held by M & E Bin Hire

At: Pontypridd, R C T, CF37 4BW.

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

On 27/10/2022 between 11:34 and 12:22.

Parts of permit assessed: All

NRW Lead Officer: Gareth Morris, accompanied by Daniel Hopkin, Dewi Williams.

Report sent to: Dean Humphreys, Technically Competent Manager on 14/02/2024.

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)	

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

M & E Bin Hire Ltd Site Visit-Pontypridd, Rhondda Cynon Taf (SP3495FG)

Waste regulation officer Gareth Morris attended M & E Bin Hire Ltd, Pontypridd, Rhondda Cynon

Taf on 27/10/2023. Also, in attendance was tackling waste crime officer, Dewi Williams and enforcement apprentice, Daniel Hopkin. The weather dry and mild. On site lead officer Gareth Morris was met by site cover supervisor Dean Humphreys, who kindly showed me a copy of the site permit, an up-to-date Environmental Management System (EMS) and other relevant registration documents. Mr Humphreys then showed myself and other staff around the permitted site.

Site Inspection

There were no issues identified on site during the inspection. The site was clean, well-managed and organised. No breaches to the permit were scored following the inspection of site.

The primary focus of the business is that of scrap metals from various outlets, such as construction, demolition wastes (Only Metal) and waste electronics and electronic equipment. The site has good practices in place for the segregation of waste. There is no evidence of any mixing between hazardous and non-hazardous waste types.

The operator has the following exemptions in place.

T11-Repair, refurbish or dismantle various types of WEEE so that the whole WEEE item or any parts can be reused for their original purpose or recovered.

T9-Recovery of scrap waste

S1- Storing of waste in secure containers

S2-Storing of waste in a secure place

(The above waste exemptions were not fully assessed during the visit)

Site Security

Permit condition 1.3.1- Site Security measures shall prevent unauthorised access to the site, as far practicable.

Site security was very robust. The site has 8ft security gates on approach to the site. The site also has extensive CCTV which is monitored 24/7.

Competency/WAMITAB Certification

Permit Condition 1.1.1 (b) – The activities shall be managed and operated by sufficient persons who are competent in respect of the responsibilities to be undertaken by them in connection with the operation of the activities.

The operator and site have an up to date WAMITAB certification that is held by the technically competent manager, Mr Dean Humphreys. Prior to the site inspection, certification demonstrating suitable technical competency were provided by Mr Dean Humphreys. Compliance is therefore

confirmed with permit condition 1.1.1 (b) at this time.

Transfer of Waste

Permit condition 3.2.1- Records of all wastes sent off site from the activities, for either disposal or recovery shall be maintained.

Quarter three of 2023 waste returns were submitted on time. Please continue to report quarterly waste returns to Natural Resources Wales. It should be noted that when waste(s) are not accepted or removed from the site during a reporting quarter, a null return will still need to be submitted. Documentation relating to waste transfers and consignment notes were readily presented by Mr Dean Humphreys.

Site Drainage

Schedule 1- Site plan & discharge consent points (Site Engineering for Pollution Prevention and Control)

While onsite the drainage within the permitted area was assessed; the site benefits from an impermeable, concrete surface to mitigate any spillage from entering ground water, all surface water on site flows into an onsite sealed drainage system which has an interceptor. The interceptor is maintained biannually, and documentation was provided which stated that the interceptor was last emptied on the 8th September 2023. The concrete surface is of very good quality and in good condition, there is no evidence of rutting or pooling of water.

Photograph 1.1



Summary

Please pass on my thanks to Mr Dean Humphreys for taken the time to show us around the site.

If you have any queries relating to this form, please do not hesitate to contact me on the details below.

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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.

Data protection notice

You should make sure that anyone named in this report knows that the information it contains will be processed by Natural Resources Wales to fulfil its regulatory and monitoring functions and to maintain the relevant public register(s).

We may also use and/or disclose the report in connection with:

- offering or providing you with our literature or services relating to environmental matters
- consulting with the public, public bodies and other organisations (e.g. Health and Safety Executive, local authorities) on environmental issues
- 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
- Freedom of Information Act or Environmental Information Regulations requests.

We may also pass it on to our agents or representatives to do these things on our behalf.

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If you disagree with this compliance assessment report, you should contact the lead officer without delay to discuss your concerns.

If you are unable to resolve the issue with the lead officer or their line manager you should contact our Customer Contact team on 0300 065 3000 (Monday to Friday 08:00 – 18:00), or email enquiries@naturalresourceswales.gov.uk for details of how to raise your dispute further through our Complaints and Commendations procedure.

If you are dissatisfied with our response, you can contact the Public Services Ombudsman for Wales by phone on 0300 7900203 or by email at ask@ombudsman.wales

Welsh Language Standards

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