

This form will report compliance with your permit as determined by an NRW officer

Site	Former J R Steelworks	Permit Ref	NP3699VX		
Operator/Permit holder	South West Wood Products Limited				
Regime	Waste Operations				
Date of assessment	15/08/2019	Time in	13:30	Out	15:00
Assessment type	Audit				
Parts of the permit assessed	A, C				
Lead officer's name	Wakeford, Sally				
Accompanied by	Morgan, David				
Recipient's name/position	Tom Dunn/ Regional Manager	Date issued	19/08/2019		

Section 1 – Compliance Assessment Summary

This is based on the requirements of the permit under the Environmental Permitting Regulations or the licence under the Water Resources Act 1991 as amended by the Water Act 2003. A detailed explanation is captured in "Compliance Assessment Report Detail" (Section 2) and any actions you may need to take are given in the "Action(s)" (section 4). This summary details where we believe any non-compliance with the permit has occurred, the relevant condition and how the non-compliance has been categorised using our Compliance Classification Scheme (CCS). CCS Scores can be consolidated or suspended where appropriate, to reflect the impact of some non-compliances more accurately. For more details of our CCS scheme, contact your local office.

Permit conditions and compliance summary	CCS Category	Condition(s) breached
A1 - Specified by permit	A	
C1 - General Management - Staff competency/training	A	
C2 - General Management - Management system and operating procedures	A	

KEY: See Section 5 for breach categories, suspended scores will be indicated as such.
A = Assessed or assessed in part (no evidence of non-compliance), **X** = Action only,
O = Ongoing non-compliance, not scored.

Number of breaches recorded	0	Total compliance score (see section 5 for scoring scheme)	0
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If the Number of breaches recorded is greater than zero, please see Section 3 for our proposed enforcement response

Section 2 – Compliance Assessment Report Detail

This section contains a report of our findings and will usually include information on:

- The part(s) of the permit that were assessed (eg. Maintenance, training, combustion plant, etc)
- Where the type of assessment was 'Data Review' details of the report/results triggering the assessment
- Any non-compliances identified
- Any non-compliances with directly applicable legislation
- Details of any multiple non-compliances
- Information on the compliance score accrued inc.
- Details of advice given
- Any other areas of concern
- Any actions requested
- Any examples of good practice
- A reference to photos taken

Site was attended by Sally Wakeford and David Morgan, we were accompanied on site by Chris Davies (site manager) and Tony Davis (TCM). Lucy Binnie joined us for discussions on site.

No non-compliances with the permit were recorded during the inspection.

TCM attendance:

Until Chris Davies has completed his WAMITAB course, Tony Davis will be covering as TCM. Evidence of TCM attendance provided by Tony Davis, along with viewing of TCM reports. Reports include tick boxes to show areas which were assessed for compliance and measures to undertake to ensure compliance with permit conditions.

Operations on site:

There have been drastic changes to operations on site, especially with regards to storage practices. Most of the waste in the main stacks appears to be relatively new on site and it does appear that the historical waste wood stacks have now been removed. There is waste still underfoot across part of the site and the stack sizes appeared (not measured) to be higher in places than the 5m stated in the Fire Prevention and Mitigation Plan.

As the majority of the historical wood waste has left site, operations should be in compliance with the Fire Prevention and Mitigation Plan. During our next inspection we will be measuring stack heights, widths, lengths and distances between stacks. The fire breaks between stacks should be free and clear of all wood debris, and down to ground. All non-compliances with the Fire Prevention and Mitigation Plan will be recorded in the inspection report.

Vehicle access:

As with previous inspections, concerns remain over the accessibility of vehicles in some areas of the site if an incident were to occur. The back right corner of the site upon entering has pooling of surface water and uneven ground and appears very thick in mud and debris. There are also a number of tracks on site that may be unsafe in the event of an incident. We advise that consideration be given to maintaining site surfaces.

Proposed changes to Fire Prevention and Mitigation Plan:

We discussed rearranging the stacks to create more space, as the site is to become more of a storage area rather than the main operating and processing area, as a back-up for the Margam plant. If you rearrange the site within the parameters of the current approved FPMP this is acceptable, please update us with the changes to stack layout.

You expressed an interest in increasing the storage capacity on site. Until the current FPMP is confirmed as being complied with, we will be unable to approve an updated FPMP to increase the

capacity of the site.

Details of a Fire Service contact have been provided to Lucy Binnie on request.

Thank you for taking the time to show us around the site.

Photographs of site inspection:





Any compliance criteria not highlighted in the above summary should be considered as not assessed.
In this document 'Natural Resources Wales' means the Natural Resources Body for Wales established by Article 3 of the Natural Resource Body for Wales (Establishment) Order 2012.
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EPR Compliance Assessment Report

**Report ID:
CAR_NRW0035598**

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Section 3 – Enforcement Response

You must take immediate action to rectify any non-compliance and prevent repetition. Non-compliance with your permit conditions constitutes an offence and can result in criminal prosecutions and/or suspension or revocation of a permit. Please read the detailed assessment in Section 2 and the steps you need to take in Section 4 below.

Section 4 – Action(s)

This section summarises the actions identified during the assessment along with the timescales for when they will need to be completed.

Criteria Ref.	CCS Category	Action required/advised	Due Date
See Section 1 above			

Section 5 – Compliance notes for the Operator

To ensure you correct actual or potential non-compliance we may

- Advise on corrective actions verbally or in writing
- Require you to take specific actions verbally or in writing
- Issue a notice
- Require you to review your procedures or management system
- Change some of the conditions of your permit
- Decide to undertake a full review of your permit

Any breach of a permit condition is an offence and we may take legal action against you

- We will normally provide advice and guidance to assist you to come back into compliance either after an offence is committed or where we consider that an offence is likely to be committed. This is without prejudice to any other enforcement response that we consider may be required.
- Enforcement action can include the issue of a formal caution, prosecution, the service of a notice and/or suspension or revocation of the permit.

See our Enforcement and Civil Sanctions guidance for further information

This report does not relieve the site operator of the responsibility to

- Ensure you comply with the conditions of the permit at all times and prevent pollution of the environment
- Ensure you comply with other legislative provisions which may apply

Non-compliance scores and categories

CCS category	Description	Score
C1	A non-compliance that could have a major environmental effect	60
C2	A non-compliance which could have a significant environmental effect	31
C3	A non-compliance which could have a minor environmental effect	4
C4	A non-compliance which has no potential environmental effect	0.1

Operational Risk Appraisal (Opra) - Compliance assessment findings may affect your Opra score and/or your charges. This score influences the resource we use to assess permit compliance.

Section 6 – General information

Data protection notice

The information on this form will be processed by the Natural Resources Wales (NRW) to fulfil its regulatory and monitoring functions and to maintain the relevant public register(s). The NRW may also use and/or disclose it in connection with:

- Offering/providing you with its literature/services relating to environmental matters
- Consulting with the public, public bodies and other organisations (eg. 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 its service
- Freedom of Information Act/Environmental Regulations request

The NRW may pass it on to its agents/representatives to do these things on its behalf. You should ensure that any persons named on this form are informed of the contents of this data protection notice.

Disclosure of information

The NRW will provide a copy of this report to the public register(s). However, if you consider that any information contained in this report should not be released to the public register(s) on the grounds of commercial confidentiality, you must write to your local area office within fifteen working days of receipt of this form indicating which information it concerns and why it should not be released, giving your reasons in full.

Customer charter

What can I do if I disagree with this compliance assessment report?

If you are unable to resolve the issue with your site officer, you should firstly discuss the matter with officer's line managers using the informal appeals procedure. If you wish to raise your dispute further through our official Complaints and Commendations procedure, phone our general enquiry number 0300 065 3000 (Mon to Fri 08.00 – 18.00) and ask for the Customer Contact team or send an email to enquiries@naturalresourceswales.gov.uk. If you are still dissatisfied you can make a complaint to the Public Services Ombudsman for Wales. For advice on how to complain to the Ombudsman phone their helpline on 0845 607 0987.

Welsh Language

If you would like this form in Welsh please contact your Regulatory Officer.