

Compliance Assessment Report CAR_NRW0050724

Permit being assessed: RP3098FM.

For: Ammanford Metal Recycling, **held by:** Ammanford Recycling Ltd

At: Shands Road , Ammanford, Carmarthenshire, SA18 3QU.

Type of assessment: Site Inspection,

Reason: Routine.

On: 12/02/2026 between 14:10 and 15:30.

Parts of permit assessed: General management and operations.

NRW Lead Officer: David Ellar.

Report sent to: Andy Evans, Compliance Manger, on 18/02/2026.

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

Part of permitted activity assessed (compliance criteria)	Assessment result	Permit condition
W1A - Waste - Management - General management	Assessed (A)	
W2A - Waste - Operations - Permitted activities	Assessed (A)	
W2C - Waste - Operations - Operating techniques	Assessed (A)	
W4B - Waste - Information - Reporting	Assessed (A)	

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

Total 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

A routine site inspection was undertaken on Thursday 12 February July 2026 to assess compliance against Permit No: RP3098FM held by Ammanford Recycling Limited. The permit consists of two standard rules sets: SR2008 No21 (metal recycling site) and SR2008 No20 (vehicle storage, depollution & dismantling (authorised treatment facility)). Present at the time of the inspection were: David Ellar (Natural Resources Wales) and the Compliance Manager (Ammanford Recycling Limited).

The weather was fine but had recently been very wet with heavy rainfall.

Permit breaches identified:

No permit breaches were observed during the inspection.

General Observations:

NRW officer was accompanied around the site by the ARL compliance Manager. The site was generally clean, tidy, well organised and good segregation of waste types was observed. The yard area was mostly clear, oily waste was in oily waste storage areas, ELV generated waste was correctly stored and scrap metal was segregated.

Some areas of the treatment pad were badly worn and damaged, particularly the section in front of the vehicle depollution bay. the Compliance Manger explained that they were already aware of this, they said that the areas were still impermeable due to the thickness of the concrete, and they had already been identified on their daily checks. Waste had been removed from these areas and they were due to be repaired as per their maintenance schedule. It was noted that some areas had been resurfaced since our last visit.

Photograph showing damage to impermeable pad:



Although the oily waste was correctly stored in the sealed oily waste area, the waste (mainly depolluted engine blocks) appeared to be excessively oily considering it had been through the depollution process. This could lead to issues with oil being tracked around the site. The compliance manager will review their depollution process and ensure enough 'drainage time' is given during the process for all oil to be removed and collected for the engine blocks.

The ELV process will be assessed during a future site inspection.

Previous inspection:

No permit breaches were observed during the last inspection dated 03 July 2025 Please see Compliance Assessment Report CAR_NRW0048753 for further detail.

Waste returns:

The operator waste returns are due annually. This was checked and they were found to be up to date.

Technical competence:

Mr David Andrew Evans is TCM for the site and holds MROC1 issued 13/01/2023, which is the relevant qualification for SR2008 No21 (metal recycling site). The relevant qualification for SR2008 No20 (vehicle storage, depollution & dismantling (authorised treatment) facility) is MROC2 which is not held by Mr Evans. This was discussed with Mr Evans during our previous visit and an action was set to Contact training provider to ensure correct level of TCM certification is in place. This was done and the correct course was identified, Mr Evans stated he had booked on the course.

ACTION ONLY: Compliance Manager to gain the appropriate WAMITAB qualification and send evidence of certification to NRW.

Many thanks for your time during the inspection.

Ends.

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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 required for the permit condition assessed to avoid non-compliance. No non-compliance scored at this time
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.

If your assessment result in Section 1 is suspended, what does this mean?

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 Waste compliance criteria (used in section 1 and 2):**1. Management**

- W1A – General management
- W1B – Energy Efficiency (MCP/SG facilities only)
- W1C – Avoidance, recovery and disposal of wastes produced by the activities

2. Operations

- W2A – Permitted activities
- W2B – Waste recovery plan
- W2C – Operating techniques
- W2D – The site
- W2E – Waste acceptance
- W2F – Technical requirements
- W2G – Improvement programme
- W2H – Pre-operational conditions

3. Emission and Monitoring

- W3A(1) – Emissions to water
- W3A(2) – Emissions to air
- W3A(3) – Emissions to land
- W3B – Emissions of substances not controlled by emission limits
- W3C – Odour
- W3D – Noise and vibration
- W3E – Monitoring
- W3F – Pests
- W3G – Fire

4. Information

- W4A – Records
- W4B – Reporting
- W4C – Notification

Enforcement response

Any non-compliance with a permit condition 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.

Disclosure of information – this report will be available to view on-line

If you think this report contains commercially confidential information that should not be placed on our public register, you must contact your local Natural Resources Wales office within **fifteen working days** of receiving this report, using the contact details in the accompanying email or letter. You must give a full explanation of why it should not be added to our public register, including specifying which information is commercially confidential. We will assess your request and respond to you within twenty working days to let you know if we agree to your request.

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If you disagree with the content of this Compliance Assessment Report form, you should submit your concerns, in writing, to the regulating officer who issued it within **15 working days** of its issue. This will be treated as a **Stage 1 review**.

If you are not satisfied with the outcome of the stage 1 review, you may request a **Stage 2 appeal**. This request must be submitted **within 21 working days** of receiving the response from the stage 1 review.

Further details on our review and appeal process are available at: [Natural Resources Wales / Appeal a regulatory decision from Natural Resources Wales](#)

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If your concerns do not relate to the content of the Compliance Assessment Report form, you should first attempt to resolve the issue with the regulating officer or their line manager.

If the issue remains unresolved, please contact our **Customer Contact Team**:

- **Telephone:** 0300 065 3000 (Monday to Friday, 09:00–17:00)
- **Email:** enquiries@naturalresourceswales.gov.uk

They will provide details on how to escalate your concerns through our **Complaints and Commendations procedure**.

If you are dissatisfied with our response, you may contact the **Public Services Ombudsman for Wales**:

- **Telephone:** 0300 790 0203
- **Email:** ask@ombudsman.wales

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