

Compliance Assessment Report

Report ID:
CAR_NRW0035098

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

Site	Rhydeionon Civic Amenity Site	Permit Ref	XB3397TP			
Operator/Permit holder	LAS Recycling Ltd					
Regime	Waste Operations					
Date of assessment	08/05/2019	Time in	10:00	Out	11:00	
Assessment type	Site Inspection					
Parts of the permit assessed	Criteria listed below					
Lead officer's name	Wilson, Alastair					
Accompanied by						
Recipient's name/position	Keith Evans/ Compliance and Procurement Manager	Date issued	10/05/2019			

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	
B3 - Infrastructure - Site drainage engineering (clean and foul)	A	
B4 - Infrastructure - Containment of stored materials	A	
C1 - General Management - Staff competency/training	A	
C2 - General Management - Management system and operating procedures	A	
C3 - General Management - Materials acceptance	A	
C4 - General Management - Storage, handling labelling and Segregation	A	
D1 - Incident Management - Site security	A	
F1 - Amenity - Odour	A	
F2 - Amenity - Noise	A	
F3 - Amenity - Dust/fibres/particulates and litter	A	
F4 - Amenity - Pests/birds and scavengers	A	
F5 - Amenity - Deposits on road	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

This was an arranged site inspection (as it is being run by new operators) by Natural Resources Wales (NRW) officer Alastair Wilson (Environment Officer).

Throughout the inspection weather conditions were wet.

Upon arrival the site was in the process of opening their gates, and there were at least 8 vehicles queueing to drop off waste. There was one member of staff directing traffic at the site entrance. The officer introduced himself to Liane Timmerman and Keith Evans of LAS Recycling Ltd.

The site was operating with a number of staff and the site was very busy. The site is now only open on Wednesdays, Saturdays and Sundays.

The inspection started in the site office where site documentation was inspected. As this was the first inspection since the site was taken over by new operators we discussed previous compliance inspections, and general aspects of the site and permit. The Working Plan was available, and the site sign in book was regularly used, it was noted that the Technically Competent Managers were signing in regularly.

The operators then accompanied the officer around the site.

A thorough walk around the permitted area was carried out. The officer was able to observe members of the public placing items of waste within the skips and containers, assisted by site staff. Overall the level of waste segregation appeared to be of a high standard with clear signage directing users to the appropriate waste containers. From a visual inspection the skips/containers appeared to be in good condition and there was no evidence of spills or leaks on site. Most of the skips were covered skips, which facilitates the safe storage of waste.



Covered skips for waste storage.

There was a new sealed metal storage container for household chemicals, and enclosed containers for paints and batteries.



Enclosed waste boxes for paints and household chemicals.

Glass bottles were in industrial sized wheelie bins which are filled in rotation as these are easier for the operators to rotate and keep covered.



Glass bottle containers.

The impermeable surfaces (which are continuous from the public highway) were clean and in good condition. There was a new section of metal fencing across the back of the site. The surrounding area was free of litter and there was no evidence of pests/birds/scavengers.



New security fencing and the rear of the site.

The drains inside the compound were clear. The waste water treatment works which the site drainage runs into was not inspected as this also serves the old landfill site and is run by Ceredigion County Council.

There were new signs at the entrance to the site with all relevant information.



New entrance signage.

No compliance breaches were found on this inspection.

Thank you for your time on site. Should you have any questions or queries please do not hesitate to contact me.

Kind regards,

Alastair Wilson

Environment Officer – Natural Resources Wales

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EPR Compliance Assessment Report

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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.

Other than the provision of advice and guidance, at present we do not intend to take further enforcement action in respect of the non-compliance identified above. This does not preclude us from taking enforcement action if further relevant information comes to light or advice isn't followed.

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

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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

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