

Compliance Assessment Report CAR_NRW0038806

Permit being assessed: JB3034RN.

For: Cambrian Quarry, held by Ash Resource Management (Cambrian Quarry) Ltd

At: Gwernymynydd, Clwyd, CH7 5LW.

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

On 07/10/2021 between 10:50 and 11:45.

Parts of permit assessed: 'Specified by permit', 'Storage, handling & segregation', Waste Acceptance, Reporting to Natural Resources Wales

NRW Lead Officer: Sarah Walton.

Report sent to: Thomas Farrell, Environmental Compliance Manager on 28/10/2021.

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

Part of permitted activity assessed (criteria)	Assessment result	Permit condition
C3 - General Management - Materials acceptance	Action only (X)	
C3 - General Management - Materials acceptance	C3 Minor	2.3.2 Waste shall only be accepted if: (a) it is of a type and quantity listed in schedule 2 table(s) S2.1 [, S2.2 etc.];

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

Total number of non-compliances recorded	Total non-compliance score
1	4

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?

Criteria	Action needed	Complete by
C3	Please submit with evidence, the total volume of waste deposited at site to date. Ensure that this information is readily available at site and that staff are trained in this aspect of the permit/EMS.	08/11/2021
C3	Confirm the nature of the 'Special Stone' material along with the LoW (List of Waste) code and provide reasoning for the high levels of contamination. The contaminated waste should be removed from site.	12/11/2021

Action criteria codes are listed in the 'Important information' section below.

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 site inspection took place on Thursday 7th October. Waste Regulation Officer, Sarah Walton, met on site with Phil Terzo (Site Manager/ Sweeper Driver).

The visit began with a short discussion in the site office with Phil. It was established that the site only has incoming waste at the moment. No waste is leaving site.

The main incoming waste is clay from ASH Shellway site. The clay is washed off site and then comes to the Quarry.

During the inspection, two lorries came to deposit soil/ clay in the quarry. The lorries were observed coming into site then reversing into the quarry where the soil/clay was deposited. Phil then used a sweeper to move the material around, levelling this out across the site. Phil explained that he would generally inspect the clay as he spreads it across the quarry.

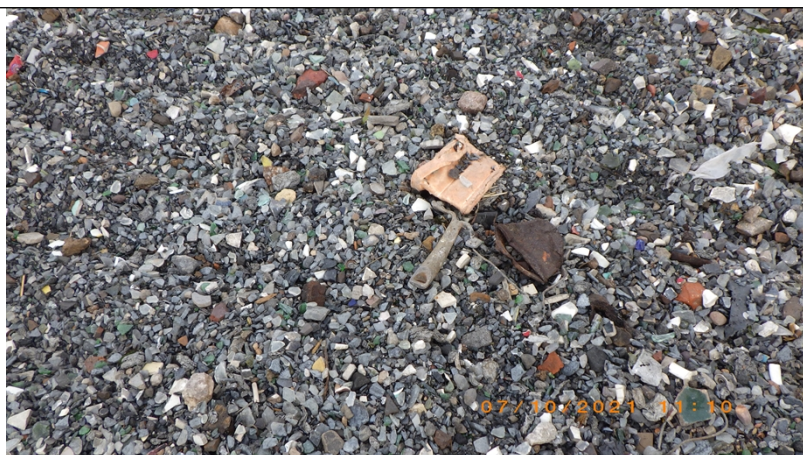




Permit Condition 2.3.2 Waste shall only be accepted if: (a) it is of a type and quantity listed in schedule 2 table(s) S2.1 [, S2.2 etc.];

There is a track that ascends along the West side of the quarry. This track was made up of a variety of crushed ceramic material which was heavily contaminated with metals and plastics.





Photos showing examples of contamination in the 'Special stone' on the track up west side of quarry

Phil explained this comes in as 'Special stone', which comes from ASH Wrexham site. **This has been scored a CCS Score 3.** This is due to the amount of contamination present in the special stone which could have a minor impact on the environment. This waste does not conform to a type or description listed in table S2.1 of the site's permit. Please could you confirm what this material is, its LoW code and reasons for the deposit of this waste when it is heavily contaminated. Please also include Waste Transfer Notes to evidence the movement of this waste into the Quarry.

Phil and Sarah then went back to the office to look at weighbridge transactions. Phil was not able to confirm the total volume of waste deposited at site to date. Phil went on the computer to evidence the latest incoming loads of soil/ clay. There had been 198 tonnes of clay brought in that day. The site accepts on average 600 tonnes of waste each day. **As an action, please could you send across the total volume of waste deposited at site to date.**

Upon leaving site, the wheel wash area was observed but not seen in action.

The inspection was completed at approximately 11:45.

I would like to thank Phil for his time and co-operation throughout the inspection.

Kind Regards,

Sarah Walton
Waste Regulation Officer

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:

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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
- Freedom of Information Act or Environmental Information Regulations requests.

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