

Compliance Assessment Report CAR_NRW0039096

Permit being assessed: AB3698CV.

For: Airfield Metals, held by Airfield Metals Limited

At: Carew Airfield, Carew Airfield, Carew, Tenby, Pembrokeshire, SA70 8SY.

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

On 03/11/2021 between 11:00 and 11:45.

Parts of permit assessed: A1 - Specified by Permit

NRW Lead Officer: Angharad Clark, accompanied by Linda Warrick.

Report sent to: Nening Jones, Director on 17/12/2021.

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

Part of permitted activity assessed (criteria)	Assessment result	Permit condition
B1 - Infrastructure - Engineering for prevention and control of emissions	C3 Minor	2.3.1 Table 2.3 6
B3 - Infrastructure - Site drainage engineering (clean and foul)	C3 Minor	2.3.1 Table 2.3 1

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

Total number of non-compliances recorded	Total non-compliance score
2	8

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
B1	Repair concrete pad in depollution bay	20/06/2022
B3	Clear and maintain drainage system	21/03/2022

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

Angharad Clark and Linda Warrick met Nening Jones at the site. Mr Jones had been isolating due to Covid exposure for the previous ten days and so had not been on site for that time.

There was some mud on ground inside the site boundary but Mr Jones assured me that this is scraped as and when needed.

Tyres and gas tanks are stored adjacent to external fence (as per EMS). Advice was given that this could potentially present a risk of arson and that alternative storage areas should be considered. All changes should be reflected in the EMS. Tyres go to TD Tyres.

All car batteries are stored in containers inside the shed. Oil is also stored inside shed. Oil goes to Slickers. Depolluted cars go to Carew Car dismantlers for crushing.

There were some cracks and holes in the depollution bay concrete pad.



This is in contravention of permit condition 2.3.1 Table 2.3 Operating Techniques, Point 6 which states; All waste shall be treated on an impermeable surface with sealed drainage system. The repair of this concrete pad has been highlighted for action and a period of six months has been given for it's completion. Please contact me if this is not achievable.

The drain for the external concrete pad was obstructed with debris.



This is in contravention with permit condition 2.3.1 Table 2.3 Operating Techniques, Point 1 which states; All other waste shall be stored on an impermeable surface with sealed drainage system. The clearance and ongoing maintenance of this drain has been highlighted for action and a period of three months has been given for it's completion. Please contact me if this is not achievable.

There have been a number of areas that require improvement with regards waste activities involving Directly Applicable Legislation, namely the Hazardous Waste Regulations 2005 and the Duty of Care Regulations as detailed in Section 34 of the EPA 1990. These are listed below:

Interceptor waste 13 05 07* and 1305 08* - some of this waste was not consigned and Duty of Care notes were used instead. This appears to have changed after 2018. This waste goes to Mekatek.

Batteries 16 06 01* are consistently consigned to Fordpad in Neath using the incorrect Consignment code CAK526 or AIRFIE. The postcode, SA70 8QT is also incorrect.

Oils: It appears that oils and fuels (13 02 05* and 13 07 03*) leaving your site from the incorrect postcode, SA70 8QT and are being consigned using Slickers code CAF120. In future you will need to use the permitted site postcode and your own premises code prefix for your consignment notes.

There are no consignment notes for Catalytic Converter (16 01 21*)

Many of the notes audited had no quantity recorded.

These above hazardous waste issues fit into the directly applied legislation category which links to Condition 1.1.1 of the site's Environmental Management System. Procedures are required that will ensure these issues are addressed along with procedures to ensure checks are made prior to waste leaving your site.

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.

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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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