

Marine Environmental Policy

The Port of Sunderland Marine Department is committed to managing its operational impact upon the environment, while developing navigational safety, customer satisfaction and operational efficiency.

This marine environmental policy statement is applicable to all Port of Sunderland employees. It is our intention that this policy statement be made available to the public, besides being disseminated to tenants, contractors, leisure users and visitors, who we expect to commit to its principles.

The port will adopt the following principles to implement the policy for both its marine and commercial operations:

Compliance with all applicable environmental legislation and guidance.
Conserve and protect the natural environment; promote its sustainable use and protect it.

- Respond immediately to any environmental incident by utilising appropriately trained personnel and suitable equipment.
- Ensure that emergency and contingency plans are in place and regularly reviewed / tested to endeavour to prevent and control spills of oil, chemicals or contaminants.
- Apply best available technology where reasonably practicable.
- Seek to find opportunities to apply innovative technology to reduce emissions and energy consumption.
- Actively seek to embrace use of renewable energy in whatever form, and to assist the renewable energy industry in achieving its goals.
- Continually assess recycling, re-use and waste minimisation opportunities.
- Maintain cleanliness and tidiness of the port areas.
- Report on our Environmental Policy and performance to stakeholders.

It is our intention to monitor, measure and manage our environmental performance to ensure that any potential adverse effects resulting from our operations are minimised and any opportunities for improvement are identified and where practicable adopted.

By regularly assessing effectiveness of the management system, environmental objectives and targets are updated accordingly.

This policy, objectives and targets are maintained and communicated to employees, tenants, contractors, port user-groups, regulators and the general public to ensure people are aware of their responsibilities.

Captain AK Ullah

Harbour Master

Port of Sunderland

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