

NOISE, DUST AND VIBRATION POLICY

Introduction

The purpose of this policy is to ensure that all operations carried out by the company are done so with as little noise, dust, and vibration as possible. As a Considerate Constructor, L Lynch Plant Hire and Haulage Ltd look to minimise environmental disturbance by employing best practice and by complying with legislative documents including:

- BS 5228 – latest version
- The Control of Pollution Act 1974
- The Health and Safety at work Act 1974
- The Environmental Protection Act 1990
- The Clean Air Act 1993

Statement of Intent

L Lynch Plant Hire & Haulage Ltd is committed to minimising the adverse impact on health and quality of life both for those employees and residents in the vicinity of any construction site. Any impact to the local area will be controlled and managed by the Contractor.

Noise - Everyone has a responsibility to ensure that activities are carried out in as quiet a manner as possible. Where noisy activities are unavoidable, disturbance will be minimised through considering technique, timing, shielding or protection. Vehicle idling shall be kept to a minimum in line with the company Anti-Idling policy. Suitable ear protection will be provided if noise levels are greater than 80dB.

Vibration – Works involving vibration will be minimised using controlled mechanical equipment. Any operation involving vibration will have a HAVS risk assessment to ensure that procedures are put into place to minimise the effects on personnel.

Dust – Any vehicle likely to produce dust shall ensure that any load is covered, and the vehicle is kept clean. Wheel washes shall be provided, or Road Sweepers used wherever possible. Any personnel working in a dusty area shall wear a dust mask.

Measures to reduce noise, dust and vibration include:

- Working hours will be restricted to those laid out by the Constructor.
- Erection of site hoarding to act as a minor acoustic screen where possible.
- Use of Super Silenced plant where feasible.
- Use of well-maintained modern plant.
- Training of site operatives to ensure that noise is kept to a minimum.
- Noise and vibration monitoring to be implemented.
- Vehicles not to be left idling.
- Loads entering and leaving site to be covered.
- Using water as a dust suppressant.
- Wheel washes to be available where possible.

The commitments identified and the measures to achieve them will be monitored and reviewed periodically to ensure maximum effectiveness.

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Senior Management will: -

- Publish the Noise, Dust and Vibration Policy and ensure it is effectively communicated to all staff and interested parties.
- Ensure company vehicle and plant is maintained adequately.
- Ensure that management and supervisory staff are resourced, trained and empowered to ensure the duties outlined in this policy are adhered to.
- Ensure that any related policies, driver and operator training, education campaigns and disciplinary procedures are consistent with this policy.

Supervisory Management must ensure that:

- They are conversant with all procedures and documentation referred to in this policy and that the policy is fully implemented.
- All drivers and operators are aware of their duties and responsibilities under this policy.
- Take appropriate action if anyone falls short of their duties and responsibilities under this policy.
- Ensure that suitable protection, such as ear protection or dust masks, is readily available if required.

Driving, yard staff and operators must ensure that they:

- Ensure that vehicles are as clean as possible when leaving site and are covered.
- Wear any safety equipment required.
- Always Comply with the company policy.
- Turn engines off whenever possible to reduce noise.
- Ensure that any issues are reported to a line manager in as soon as possible.

This policy will be communicated to all employees and organisations working on our behalf, displayed at our offices, on our intranet and is available to defined interested parties.

This policy will be reviewed annually or sooner by senior management to ensure its suitability. Where necessary it will be amended, reissued, and communicated to all employees and people working on its behalf.



Rob Lynch
Joint Managing Director

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