

## ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY

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SMS Geotechnical Pty Ltd (SMS) is a unique team of highly skilled people who work together to foster a highly technical, supportive, and safe working environment.

SMS is a privately owned, innovative, and independent materials testing organisation, providing testing services within the civil, mining, and broader construction services.

SMS was founded on the basic tenet of environmental sustainability and improvement. Wherever possible we are committed to reducing the effect of the anthropological impact on the environment.

We recognise the limited resources provided by the environment and promote, through education and advice, a more practical and pragmatic approach to encourage sustainable use of all natural resources.

It is our policy to implement company practices that minimise waste, reduce consumption, recycle, and protect the environment in every facet of our operation and actively seek continual improvement in environmental performance.

We will ensure that all members of staff are aware of their responsibility towards the environment and encourage them to participate in the improvement our environmental practices.

As part of our commitment to protect the environment, the management and staff of SMS will continue to take our stewardship of the environment seriously by maintaining and improving our current practices and procedures including but not limited to:

- Restoring sampling sites to original condition;
- Disposing of soil waste in accordance with Waste Disposal and Waste Fill Guidelines;
- Maintaining all equipment and plant in good order to optimise the appropriate use of power resources;
- Maintaining in good order the sump pit used to trap and contain soil particles that may otherwise escape into the sewerage system including regular clean outs;
- Handling and disposing of all waste chemicals and solutions in an appropriate manner to eliminate polluting the environment;
- Separating unrecyclable wastes from paper and cardboard and recycling old computers under the local Council's waste reduction initiative; and
- Using the Australia Post initiative to recycle used toner cartridges from printers and the photocopiers.

Compliance with this policy is fundamental to all operational activities at SMS. We are committed to sustainable operations wherever possible and to limit our environmental footprint through the ongoing and continuous improvement of environmental initiatives.



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