

Environmental Audit



1. Introduction

- 1.1 The aim of the audit is to assist the client in meeting their duties under UK environmental legislation.
 - 1.2 Included within the report is an audit of environmental risks and associated issues arising from the property or its associated activities. It also includes recommended actions considered necessary to control environmental risks to an acceptable level.
 - 1.3 Once the hazards have been identified, the first consideration is to determine whether it is possible to remove the hazard completely. Where it is not possible to remove the hazard then it must be controlled.
 - 1.4 If dangerous substances are located on site, the emergency services must be informed of their presence, type, and location so that they can draw up their own safety procedures for dealing with fires involving these materials.
- The following steps detail the William Martin audit process.

2. William Martin's Approach

2.1 Step 1 - Environmental Audit

An overview of the site and assessment details would be gathered by the consultant.

For key environmental hazards, your consultant would make judgements as to how far you are complying with audit criteria; these judgements would be based on:

- physical observation;
- evaluation of safety documentation; and
- discussions with key personnel.

Where your consultant considers the existing controls on site to be inadequate, you would receive improvement advice together with photographic evidence if appropriate and an action would be recorded in the report.

2.2 Step 2 - Evaluate and Decide on Precautions

The audit will consider the below areas, identifying existing measures and any further actions required:

1. Site Management
2. Heating, Cooling Generators
3. Chemicals
4. Waste Water
5. Waste
6. Management of Contractors
7. Nuisance
8. Energy
9. Local Environment

3. Report Format

3.1 The specific format of the Environmental Audit Report would include the following:

- Executive Summary - including a summary of the key findings.
- Environmental Audit Action Plan - containing a prioritised plan detailing any risk improvements.
- Environmental Audit- containing each environmental hazard topic and findings against audit criteria.
- Protocol - confirming the methodology and advice priority definitions.



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