



WasteServ Malta Ltd

General

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The Company has already commenced to prepare the necessary documentation with respect to health and safety of sites, operations conducted these sites and employees employed directly with WasteServ. These include risk assessment, a safety manual, manual of correct work procedures and a manual of emergency procedures. To conduct these tasks all existent literature including local and international regulations, the Landfill Health and Safety Guidance by Scott Wilson, risk assessments conducted by former ministries responsible for the sites, ISO, etc. An additional important task is that of conducting inspections on Company employees, government and contractor employees and clients.

Government / Contractors

These entities are responsible to prepare the relevant documentation, conduct training, conduct inspections relevant to their employees and provide them with equipment. All this is to be communicated to the Company. In case they encounter problems or are not familiar with the sites, they are assisted to obtain the relevant information.

Traffic

To achieve traffic management road signs were posted and speed was limited to 30 Km/Hr. Individual waste carriers were summoned to observe speed limits while within the confines of the site.

Control of odors and Aerial emissions

Action to monitor and control odours and aerial emissions is undertaken regularly by company employees.

Noise Control

A number of actions have already been taken to control noise:

1. personal protective equipment where this is required
2. speed limits for the internal roadways
3. bunds internal the site
4. vegetative screen are being installed

Pest Control

At present a local contractor is responsible for pest control. Further investigations into new methods utilized overseas are being conducted.

Bird Control

No actions are taken in this sector because the site is invaded by birds only few days during the span of year.

Dust Control

In order to achieve better dust control, an irrigation system is being installed on the main road within the boundary of the site.

Slope Stability

No significant problems with slope stability have been encountered during the last months. The relevant calculations to ensure slope stability were made by a company employees.

Training

WasteServ Employees

Our company provided training to employees in two ways, at the time of receipt of health and safety equipment and in October 2004 by means of a seminar for which representatives of the OHSa were present. During this seminar all new procedures regarding health and safety were explained.

Each time new procedures are issued or new material distributed the employees concerned receive a short training session.

Employees are aware that for any clarifications, doubts or problems they may approach the Health and Safety Officer.

Refresher training is also conducted when the H&S Office notes irregularities on the sites.

Government / Contractor Employees

Personnel forming part of governments or contractors are to receive training directly by their superior, who may discuss and clarify our procedures with WasteServ's Health and Safety Officer beforehand.

All employees and clients are free to contact WasteServ's Health and Safety Officer to request clarifications to doubts or problems.

Staffing Levels

Employees work on a 12 hour shift basis 7 days a week. Normally there are a number of persons to control and direct the smooth running of operations.

Medical

WasteServ Employees

During the last year, WasteServ entered into a contract with a private hospital for the provision of medical services to its employees, particularly vaccinations. As a result in 2004 each employee received the vaccinations relevant to the type of work conducted and each new employee was requested to undergo a medical check up and receive vaccinations.

Each employee that works on site was provided with an allowance to be in a position to purchase materials for protection from insects. In addition, sun block was provided against presentation of a medical prescription.

Government / Contractor Employees

The employer of such employees is responsible to provide for vaccinations and medical assistance. Their employer is also obliged to provide insect repellents and sun block upon request.

First Aid

The site is furnished with 2 first aid boxes equipped with the items required by local regulations.

Site employees are responsible to ensure that replacements for any missing items are made.

Personal Protective Equipment

WasteServ Employees

All our employees are furnished with the following materials:

High visibility clothing
Safety helmet
Goggles
Ear protection
Dust mask
Safety boots/shoes
Gloves
Raincoat
PVC Wellington boots
Dust/organic vapour masks (as may be required)
Safety belt and harnesses (as may be required)

Government Contractor Employees

It is the responsibility of the respective employers to provide the materials; we usually request the most common items:

High visibility clothing
Safety helmet
Safety boots/shoes
Goggles
Ear protection
Dust mask

Amenity/Messing Facilities

At present only one sanitary/changing and mess facility is available and this is situated at the entrance, However, short term projects (plans already existent) include the construction of a service building which will improve these facilities.



Site Infrastructure, Sign and Barriers

The relevant road signs have been introduced. Enforcement of speed limits is being conducted but is not always observed.

A permanent lighting system has been installed.

Barriers, fences and gates to restrict unauthorized entry have been installed.

Electrical Hazards

The use of electrical equipment is limited to the weighbridge. Site users are advised to keep the use of mobile phones to a minimum while on site.

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