

Environmental Clearance

Environment Protection Act (CAP. 549)

Clearance number
CA 00011/25

The Environment and Resources Authority (hereinafter the Authority; the Competent Authority or ERA) in exercise of its powers under the Environment Protection Act (CAP. 549) and Environmental Permitting (Procedure for Applications and their Determination Regulations (SL 549.172), is hereby clearing:

M.C.M. Maintenance Centre Malta Ltd. (Hereinafter “the Permit Holder”)
Company Registration Number: **C 45792**

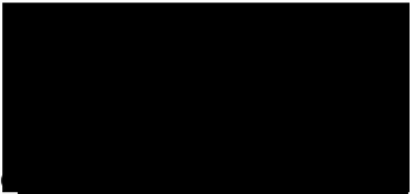
Of / Whose Registered Office (or principal place of business) is at:

**Office no. 692,
Mezzanine level,
Arrivals hall,
Malta International Airport,
Luqa LQA4000**

To operate a Yard/premises on land for repair and maintenance of vessels, aircraft and other transport, exceeding 1000 square meters and not covered by Category 1.40 (Category 2.11) for aircraft maintenance at:

**M.C.M Hanger Apron 3,
Malta International Airport
Luqa LQA 3290**

This Clearance is valid for a period of **four (4) years** from the date of the granting. The Clearance Holder shall apply for the renewal of a permit on which a clearance has been granted **at least six (6) months prior** to the expiry of this Clearance.

| Signed | Date |
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|  Environment Protection Officer f/Director Regulatory Affairs | Clearance Granted on: 01/12/2025 |

Authorised to sign on behalf of the Competent Authority

General Conditions:

1. This Clearance is granted without prejudice to third-party rights and does not exempt the permit holder from compliance with any other applicable legislation, regulations, or the need to obtain authorisations from other competent authorities, entities, or site owners. Upon submission of a renewal application, the Authority reserves the right to request clearances or approval from other relevant entities as it deems necessary.
2. The Authority may request monitoring and/or review of operational practices and may commission any audits/reports as deemed necessary to address any circumstances that may affect the quality of the surrounding environment, at the expense of the Clearance Holder.
3. The site shall be kept clean and free from litter and uncontrolled waste at all times. Any accidental release of waste or materials must be immediately contained, collected, and disposed of properly. Waste or litter from loading, unloading, or material transfer must be promptly managed to prevent environmental contamination.
4. All plant, equipment, and associated abatement systems used in the operation of the installation shall be maintained in good working order and in accordance with the manufacturer's specifications and maintenance schedules.
5. Air emissions shall be prevented, or where not practicable, reduced from process areas, storage (including waste), and transfer systems such as pipes and valves. Processes generating significant airborne contaminants shall have local collection and discharge through a stack or vent, designed to avoid local impact.
6. In the event of abnormal emissions from equipment, the Clearance Holder shall investigate immediately, take corrective action, adjust operations to reduce emissions, and record the incident and actions taken.
7. ERA recommends that only diesel (gas oil) shall be used for any combustion plants such as generators, which shall have a sulfur content not greater than 0.1%. In such cases certification by an independent warranted engineer showing that the combustion plant is in good working condition shall be submitted upon application for an Environmental Permit.
8. All abatement equipment and ducting shall be cleaned and maintained on a regular basis (as per manufacturer specifications) and records of such maintenance are to be kept.
9. All storage of materials, fuels, oils and waste shall take place only in areas with impervious ground and where thorough clean up and site reinstatement can be readily undertaken. Chemicals and flammable, toxic and hazardous substances of different properties shall be stored as specified in respective SDS sheets. Maintenance of safety critical equipment should correspond to manufacturer specifications.
10. Spillages of chemicals or hazardous materials/waste must be addressed immediately to prevent contamination and disposed of appropriately. An adequate supply of

- appropriate spill kits shall be maintained and be readily accessible at designated critical areas.
11. Solvent-contaminated waste, such as contaminated absorbent materials, and other hazardous wastes shall be stored in sealed containers. Liquid wastes shall be kept in bunded areas.
 12. Spill kits and spill response equipment shall be made available at all times and shall be readily available for use
 13. Bulk liquid storage tanks shall have a roofed bund with an impermeable base and walls, meeting the following:
 - i. Capacity of at least 110% of the largest tank or 25% of the total tank volume, whichever is greater.
 - ii. All filling and off-take points within the bund.
 - iii. Monthly visual inspections and certification by a warranted engineer every four years.
 14. Wastewater generated from industrial processes shall not be diluted prior offsite transfer and shall be segregated from all other wastewater streams, including domestic wastewater and stormwater. Under no circumstances shall any effluent be discharged to surrounding land, subsoil, groundwater, or sea.
 15. Rainwater from areas where contamination by oil or chemicals is likely (such as loading/unloading and bunded areas) shall be appropriately treated.
 16. All oil interceptors shall be monitored and maintained to ensure efficient operation. Interceptors shall be inspected by an independent warranted architect or engineer as per EN858, at least once every three years.
 17. The Permit Holder shall ensure that all cesspits are maintained as per S.L. 549.45, Waste Management Regulations. Therefore, cesspits are to be constructed in such a manner as not to allow leakages or spillages of waste effluent into the surrounding environment. In addition, cesspits should be appropriately ventilated so as to avoid the accumulation of explosive, toxic or corrosive gases. The area surrounding the cesspit should be rendered impermeable and the ground laid to fall towards the cesspit. Records of regular maintenance and emptying of cesspits shall be kept for a minimum period of 5 years and be made available, upon request, to the authority.
 18. The infrastructure used for the catchment, treatment, and storage of industrial wastewater shall be maintained as per the requirements of SL 549.45.
 19. In case of emission filters, when they are found to have reached the limit indicated by filter manufacturer, these shall be immediately replaced and where applicable, damaged filters shall be treated as hazardous waste as per S.L. 549.63, the Waste Regulations.
 20. Waste intended for recycling or recovery shall be segregated by waste stream and stored in clearly designated and appropriately labelled areas. Hazardous waste shall be strictly segregated from non-hazardous waste at all times to prevent cross-contamination and to ensure proper handling, storage, and disposal in accordance with applicable waste management regulations.

21. Waste generated on site shall be transported to authorised waste management facilities, either locally or abroad, using a waste carrier that holds the necessary permits for waste transportation. If a waste broker is required to facilitate the management of waste, only waste brokers authorised by the ERA shall be engaged.
22. Hazardous waste transferred from the site to local authorised waste management facilities shall be accompanied by a valid consignment permit and consignment note obtainable from the Authority.
23. Waste intended for export shall follow the procedures established under Waste intended for export shall follow the procedures established under Regulation (EU) 2024/1157 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 April 2024 on shipments of waste, amending Regulations (EU) No 1257/2013 and (EU) 2020/1056 and repealing Regulation (EC) No 1013/2006.
24. Records shall be maintained for any waste transfers, maintenance, complaints, certification and incidents and shall be kept for five years and made available to the Authority upon request.
25. The Authority may request monitoring and/or review of operational practices and may commission any audits/reports as deemed necessary to address any circumstances that may affect the quality of the surrounding environment, at the expense of the Clearance Holder.
26. In the event of cessation of operations either in part or in full, all equipment, materials and waste must be removed from the site and managed in an environmentally sound manner according to relevant legislation. ERA shall be notified prior to such cessation and the intended fate prior to removal from the site.
27. Any preparatory work for spraying or painting activities which could generate any airborne contaminants shall be carried out in a contained environment which shall be no less effective than a fully enclosed thermoplastic cover, where relevant.
28. Maintenance works and repairs to the planes/jets should be limited to inside the hanger / protected from the outside environment. Maintenance Works shall be limited to the following activities:
 - a. Replacement of components and carrying out of maintenance and/or repairs involving: hot work, engine services, cargo gear, manual sanding, painting on aircraft parts, hold or inner shell, navigation equipment, communication equipment, IT equipment and hardware, machinery or pipe-work, tank or confined space, accommodation (all kind of work in cabin), Cutting, welding and washing of steel and aluminium structures, battery testing and maintenance, interior maintenance/cleaning on aircraft seats and carpets, landing gear, bleed air pressure, avionics, safety equipment and utilities, ; maintenance and repair works on the Visors and Ramps; Renewing of hydraulic cylinders;
 - b. Inspection, surveys and investigations.

Any such maintenance works shall be carried out in a manner that does not result in polluting the surrounding Environment.

29. No aircraft dismantling and decommissioning activities are permitted to be carried out on site
30. Fuelling of aircraft shall be limited to those parked within the Hangar.
31. In the event that the installations VOC solvent consumption increases considerably, the Authority shall be notified immediately and the applicability of solvent consumption thresholds and emission limit values as specified in CAP 549.79 shall be established. If this is the case, the clearance would not remain valid for the whole duration and another type of Permit would be required.
32. In the event of non-compliance causing immediate danger to human health and/or the environment, operations must be suspended and the relevant Competent Authorities informed within 24 hours.

Schedule 1

Site Map



Fig. 1: Site of installation outlined in red, showing extent of area authorised for operation. The extent of the site boundary is indicative and shall not be used for interpretation purpose.

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