



ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY

Burlington Slate Limited believes that it should achieve the highest standards of environmental performance and continually aim to minimise the environmental impact of its quarrying and manufacturing activities.

Burlington regard compliance with relevant environmental legislation and the adoption of responsible standards, where no legislation exists, as a minimum, but will aim for higher performance above its statutory responsibilities.

Burlington Slate is committed to:

- Preventing pollution
- Complying with all relevant environmental legislation, planning permissions, regulations and any other applicable standards.
- Maintaining a BS EN ISO 14001 compliant Environmental Management System (EMS) for the implementation of its environmental policy objectives. The aim is to obtain independent certification for the system by the end of 2011.
- Continually developing and improving its operations and methods of work in order to:
 - Reduce waste generation at source and investigate all possible uses for waste material, such as road stone, rockery/walling stone and any other applications that require hard, inert material, in order to minimise the need to tip.
 - Seek to reduce energy and water consumption.
 - Minimise the visual impact of tipping through restoration.
 - Keep to a minimum the impact on the environment by any of its activities through the reduction of noise levels, use of dust suppression equipment and treatment of surface water.

These aspects will be monitored, assessed and controlled within the EMS against established improvement targets and objectives, and will include:

- Assessment of environmental impacts in the business decision process at all levels.
- Raising environmental awareness through the development and training of its employees and open communication and consultation with its customers and suppliers on relevant environmental matters.
- Working closely with local residents and other stakeholders to ensure they are informed of the company's aims and, where possible, inviting participation by these groups.

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