



ENVIRONMENTAL AWARENESS COURSE

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WHAT IS THE ENVIRONMENT?

- Soil
- Water
- Plants
- People
- Animals
- Air we breathe
- Buildings, cars and houses





WHY MUST WE LOOK AFTER THE ENVIRONMENT?

- It affects us all as well as future generations
- We have a right to a healthy environment
- A contract has been signed
- Disciplinary action (e.g. construction could stop or fines issued)



HOW DO WE LOOK AFTER THE ENVIRONMENT?

- Report problems to your supervisor/ foreman
- Team work
- Follow the rules in the EMP





WORKING AREAS

Workers & equipment must
stay inside the site
boundaries at all times





RIVERS & STREAMS

- Do not swim in or drink from streams
- Do not throw oil, petrol, diesel, concrete or rubbish in the stream
- Do not work in the stream without direct instruction
- Do not damage the banks or vegetation of the stream





ANIMALS

- Do not injure or kill any animals on the site
- Ask your supervisor or Contract's Manager to remove animals found on site





TREES AND FLOWERS

- Do not damage or cut down any trees or plants without permission
- Do not pick flowers





SMOKING AND FIRE

- Put cigarette butts in a rubbish bin
- Do not smoke near gas, paints or petrol
- Do not light any fires without permission
- Know the positions of fire fighting equipment
- Report all fires
- Do not burn rubbish or vegetation without permission





PETROL, OIL AND DIESEL

- Work with petrol, oil & diesel in marked areas
- Report any petrol, oil & diesel leaks or spills to your supervisor
- Use a drip tray under vehicles & machinery
- Empty drip trays after rain & throw away where instructed





DUST

Try to avoid producing dust -
Use water to make ground &
soil wet





NOISE

- Do not make loud noises around the site, especially near schools and homes
- Report or repair noisy vehicles





TOILETS

- Use the toilets provided
- Report full or leaking toilets





EATING

- Only eat in demarcated eating areas
- Never eat near a river or stream
- Put packaging & leftover food into rubbish bins





RUBBISH

- Do not litter – put all rubbish (especially cement bags) into the bins provided
- Report full bins to your supervisor
- The responsible person should empty bins regularly





TRUCKS AND DRIVING

- Always keep to the speed limit
- Drivers - check & report leaks and vehicles that belch smoke
- Ensure loads are secure & do not spill





EMERGENCY PHONE NUMBERS

Know all the emergency phone numbers:

- Ambulance: 0277188100
- Fire: 0113462420
- Police: 10111
- CMC: 107





FINES AND PENALTIES

- Spot fines of between R20 and R2000
- Your company may be fined
- Removal from site
- Construction may be stopped





PROBLEMS - WHAT TO DO!

- Report any breaks, floods, fires, leaks and injuries to your supervisor
- Ask questions!

