

Waste Management & Recycling Policy

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1. Our commitment

Vale Groundworks & Construction Ltd is committed to preventing unnecessary waste, making efficient use of materials and managing waste responsibly across our groundworks and construction activities. We aim to protect the environment, comply with applicable waste requirements and continually improve our working practices.

2. Preventing waste at source

We plan works and order materials carefully to minimise over-ordering, spoil and unnecessary excavation. Where suitable, we consider methods that limit disruption, avoidable removal of materials and unnecessary vehicle journeys. We encourage suppliers and subcontractors to reduce packaging and waste where practicable.

3. Excavated soil, stone and aggregates

We assess excavated materials before deciding whether they can be safely and lawfully reused on site. Reuse will depend on suitability, contamination risks, project requirements and applicable waste controls. Materials that cannot be reused will be segregated where practical and transferred to appropriate authorised facilities. We will not assume that excavated soil is automatically exempt from waste legislation.

4. Segregation and recycling

Where site conditions permit, we separate clean aggregates, metals, timber, cardboard, plastics and other recyclable materials from general waste. Waste containers and storage areas will be organised to minimise cross-contamination, litter and windblown debris. We seek recycling and recovery routes before disposal where these are lawful and practical.

5. Duty of care and waste documentation

We will take reasonable steps to check that waste is passed to appropriately registered carriers and authorised receiving facilities. Relevant waste transfer notes, consignment notes where required, and supporting records will be retained in line with legal requirements. Waste will be described accurately and hazardous waste will be identified and handled separately using suitable controls.

6. Pollution prevention

We aim to prevent fuel, oils, chemicals, silt and construction waste from entering soil, drains or watercourses. Fuels and other potentially polluting substances will be stored and handled with suitable precautions. Spills will be contained and reported promptly, with clean-up and disposal arranged appropriately. Any suspected contaminated ground will trigger a review of the planned works and waste arrangements.

7. Site controls and responsibilities

Management is responsible for promoting this policy and ensuring waste arrangements are considered during job planning. Employees and subcontractors are expected to follow site instructions, keep work areas tidy, report spills or unexpected waste and use the correct waste collection arrangements. Site-specific requirements and client rules take precedence where more stringent.

8. Monitoring and improvement

We intend to improve records of waste collections, disposal and recycling routes as the business develops. We will review opportunities to increase lawful reuse, reduce material wastage, consolidate deliveries and choose suitable local facilities. Progress and this policy will be reviewed at least annually.

9. Scope of this statement

This public policy describes our general commitments. It does not replace project-specific risk assessments, waste management arrangements, permits, consents or statutory documentation. We will review site-specific requirements before starting work.

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