

Environmental Permitting Regulations 2007

Operator Competency Scheme

Competency Requirements

Choose between NVQ, VRQ or EPOC

All environmental permits issued under the 2007 Regulations effective 6/4/08 require waste contractors and operators of permitted facilities to have competent personnel. Under the new Regulations there is greater choice and flexibility for determining competency. Currently there are two schemes – this leaflet focuses on the CIWM/WAMITAB scheme – which is based on personal competence. The nature of the site's operation – whether low risk, medium risk or high risk drives the level of competency which the permit holder's personnel must achieve.

Permit holders can have a choice over which competency route their personnel take - suited to their learning styles and operational needs. This choice is between the established NVQ methods or classroom based VRQ training and assessment.

New for all competent personnel is – Continuing Competence - a requirement that every two years they will have to pass a knowledge based assessment to ensure that their knowledge of current legislation and practices are up to date.

TRACKSS can deliver all the learning and assessment needs for competent personnel as required by a permit – whether for new or existing personnel.



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TRACKSS Courses and Assessment

STATUTORY

- Operator Competence Certificate(s)
4, 6 or 12 Units of a NVQ – site based assessment
- Vocationally Related Qualification (VRQ) – level 3
Certificate in Waste and Resources Management
4/5 Day Course – classroom based
- Environmental Permit Operators Certificate (EPOC)
2 Day Course – classroom based
- Continuing Competence
Training and Assessment preparation –
1 Day Course

NON STATUTORY NVQ's & VRQ's

Non Statutory NVQ's

- Waste Management Operations Levels 1- 4
- Recycling - levels 1 – 4
- Weighbridge - level 2
- Construction - levels 1 & 2
- Street Cleansing - levels 1 & 2

VRQ's

- Level 3 Sustainable Waste Management
- HLA Advanced Technologies

See our learning brochures for Health and Safety, Environmental Management and Technical Training.

Please see overleaf for more details of the Environmental Permitting Regulations

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| RiskType | When | What | New Permit First Operator | Additional Operator(s) | Existing CoTC | Deemed Competent |
|----------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------|------------------------|---------------|------------------|
| High Risk LANDFILL | Prior to permit issue | 12 unit NVQ | ✓ | Not Required | Not Required | Not Required |
| | New employee | 12 unit NVQ | Not Required | ✓ | Not Required | Not Required |
| | Every 2 years | Continuing Competence | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |
| High Risk Other than – Landfill | Within 4 weeks of operation start up | EPOC or 4 units of an NVQ | ✓ | Not Required | Not Required | Not Required |
| | 4 weeks - 12 months | Remaining Units of NVQ | ✓ | Not Required | Not Required | Not Required |
| | New employee | 12 unit NVQ | Not Required | ✓ | Not Required | Not Required |
| | Every 2 years | Continuing Competence | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |
| Medium Risk | Within 4 weeks of operation start up | EPOC or 4 units of an NVQ or VRQ | ✓ | Not Required | Not Required | Not Required |
| | 4 weeks - 12 months | Remaining Units of NVQ | ✓ | Not Required | Not Required | Not Required |
| | New employee | VRQ or 6 units of an NVQ | Not Required | ✓ | Not Required | Not Required |
| | Every 2 years | Continuing Competence | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |
| Low Risk | Within 4 weeks of operation start up | EPOC or 4 units of an NVQ or VRQ | ✓ | Not Required | Not Required | Not Required |
| | New employee | EPOC or 4 units of an NVQ or VRQ | Not Required | ✓ | Not Required | Not Required |
| | Every 2 years | Continuing Competence | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |

TECHNICAL COMPETENCE RISK TIERS – SUMMARY TYPE OF FACILITIES

| HIGH | MEDIUM | LOW |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hazardous and Non Hazardous Landfill (open and closed) • Hazardous and Non Hazardous Incineration • Hazardous Waste Disposal • Recovery of Oil/Organic Solvents • Cleaning/Regeneration of Carbon/Charcoal/Ions • Production of Solid Fuel from Waste • Hazardous Transfer/Treatment + Clinical Waste • WEEE ATF Chemical Processing | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Non Hazardous Transfer • Contaminated Land Remediation • Treatment of Waste Soils • Non Hazardous Clinical Waste Transfer/Treatment • CA Sites/HWRC • MRF, End of Life Vehicle • MRF (wet scrap) • Composting • MBT • WEEE ATF - physical dismantling • Pet Crematoria • Mobile Treatment Facilities • Inert Landfill (open and closed). | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In House Storage of Waste • Inert Transfer/phy treatment • MRS (dry scrap) • WEEE (storage only). |

See full list on TRACKSS website