Response form

Environmental permit competence requirements: changes to technically competent manager attendance

We welcome your views on our proposed options and changes to the technically competent manager attendance requirements. Please use this form if you are responding by email or post rather than online.

Please complete the questions and where there is a free text field, give as much information as possible to support your answer.

**How we will use your information**

The Environment Agency will look to make all responses publicly available during and after the consultation, unless you have specifically requested that we keep your response confidential.

We will not publish names of individuals who respond.

We will also publish a summary of responses on our website in which we will publish the name of the organisation for those responses made on behalf of organisations.

In accordance with the Freedom of Information Act 2000, we may be required to publish your response to this consultation, but will not include any personal information. If you have requested your response to be kept confidential, we may still be required to provide a summary of it.

The Environment Agency is the data controller for the personal data you provide. For further information on how we deal with your personal data please see our Personal Information Charter on gov.uk (<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/environment-agency/about/personal-information-charter>) or contact our Data Protection team.

Address: Data Protection team, Environment Agency, Horizon House, Deanery Road, Bristol, BS1 5AH

Email: dataprotection@environment-agency.gov.uk

Returning your response

The consultation will run for 8 weeks from 14 June 2021 to 9 August 2021.

The closing date for responses is 9 August 2021 at 17:00. Any responses we receive after this date will not be included in the analysis.

We would like you to use this form if you are not submitting your response online. You can return it by email to wastetreatment@environment-agency.gov.uk using the heading 'Technically Competent Manager attendance requirements consultation'. Please also use this email address if you have any questions regarding this consultation.

Alternatively you can submit your response by post to:

Matthew Kendall, Waste Treatment Team, Environment Agency, Goldcrest House, Alice Holt Lodge, Wrecclesham, Farnham, Surrey, GU10 4LH

Section 1: About you

To help us analyse the responses we receive we’d like to understand more about you and type of business you own, operate or represent.

Q1. Please tell us if you are responding as an individual or on behalf of an organisation or group.

Please select one answer only from the following options:

□ Responding as an individual

□ Responding on behalf of an organisation or group

□ Other

If you're responding on behalf of an organisation or group, please tell us who you are responding on behalf of.

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If you selected other, please specify.
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Other, please specify

Q2. Keeping up to date

The Environment Agency would like to keep you informed about the outcomes of this consultation. If you would like to receive an email acknowledging your response and be notified that the summary of responses has been published please give us your email address below.

By providing us with your email address you consent for us to email you about the consultation. We will keep your details until we have notified you about publication of the response document.

We will not share your details with any other third party without your explicit consent unless required to by law.

You can withdraw your consent to receive these emails at any time by contacting us at:

wastetreatment@environment-agency.gov.uk

Your email address:

Q3. Can we publish your response? We will not publish any personal information or parts of your response that will reveal your identity.

 □ Yes

 □ No

If you do not want us to publish your response, you need to tell us why.

Q4. Please tell us how you found out about this consultation?

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| □ From the Environment Agency |
| □ From another organisation |
| □ Through an organisation/group/association you are a member of |
| □ Local marina□ Press article  |
| □ Social media e.g. Facebook, Twitter |
| □ Through a meeting you attended□ Other (please specify)\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |

Section 2: Your views

We would like your views on the proposed options for changes to the attendance requirements for technically competent managers, on other rules associated with attendance requirements and the implementation timescales.

Consultation Questions

Question 1: Do you have a preference for the approaches described in options 1, 2 or 3?

☐ Option 1

☐ Option 2

☐ Option 3

☐ No preference

Please provide further information to support your answer:

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Question 2: Do you have any comments or views on the financial impact of the proposed options on your business?

Please provide further information to support your answer, for example any anticipated additional costs associated with training additional TCMs. Please include suggestions you may have for how the attendance requirement could be achieved in a more cost effective way without diminishing environmental protection:

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Question 3: Do you have any comments or views on the environmental benefits of the proposed options?

Please provide further information to support your answer:

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Question 4: Do you have any comments or views on the existing 48 hour attendance cap?

Please provide further information to support your answer:

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Question 5: Do you have any comments or views on the attendance requirements for 24 hour operations?

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Question 6: Do you support the attendance requirements for sites with multiple regulated facilities? Do you have any comments or views on the attendance requirements for sites with multiple regulated facilities?

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Question 7: Do you have any comments or views on the attendance requirements for sites after permit transfer?

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Question 8: Do you have any comments or views on the attendance requirements for mothballed sites?

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Question 9: What implementation period do you consider appropriate for existing permitted sites?

☐ 3 months

☐ 6 months

☐ 1 year

☐ Do not know

Please provide further information to support your answer:

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Question 10: Do you have any comments or views on the implementation arrangements?

Please provide further information to support your answer:

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Question 11: Do you support the proposed attendance requirements for closed landfills?

☐ Yes

☐ No

☐ Do not know

Please provide further information to support your answer:

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Question 12: Do you support the proposed attendance requirements for mobile plant for landspreading permits?

☐ Yes

☐ No

☐ Do not know

Please provide further information to support your answer:

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Question 13: Do you support the proposed attendance requirements for land remediation mobile plant permits?

☐ Yes

☐ No

☐ Do not know

Please provide further information to support your answer:

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Question 14: Do you support the proposed attendance requirements for other mobile plant permits?

☐ Yes

☐ No

☐ Do not know

Please provide further information to support your answer:

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Question 15: Do you support the adjustment of the attendance requirement for operator performance, with those in deteriorating or poor compliance bands having an increased attendance requirement?

☐ Yes

☐ No

☐ Do not know

Please provide further information to support your answer:

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Question 16: After a deterioration in compliance banding, how soon after this should the adjustment of the attendance requirement for operator performance take place?

Please provide further information to support your answer:

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Question 17: Do you support the proposed attendance requirements during grace periods?

Please provide further information to support your answer:

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Question 18: We value your feedback on the proposed changes. Please tell us if you have further comments not covered by the questions above.

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