

Waste Acceptance

Waste acceptance procedures are in place to ensure that only permitted waste is deposited on site, and that any waste received has been approved as clean and uncontaminated and suitable for use.

Pre-Acceptance

All waste will be subject to pre-acceptance checks, based on characterisation information provided by the waste producer before it will be approved for acceptance for restoration.

Information will be assessed by the technical assessor. This information will vary for each enquiry but would typically include the results of any site investigation works from a brownfield site and site photos or google earth images for a green field site. Material from a brownfield site which is suspected of contamination must pass inert landfill WAC.

Material for acceptance onto phase 4A, imported soils must meet the specification for imported soils agreed under the remediation strategy. The specification is appended at Appendix A and states 'imported soil must not contain substances at concentrations above the Assessment Criteria (ACs) for "Residential with Plant Uptake" end-use'.

On-Site Acceptance

All loads arriving at site must be accompanied by a Waste Transfer Note. This will be inspected at the booking in office to check that the EWC code is permitted. The load will undergo a preliminary check using CCTV to check the description on the WTN matches the load before being sent to the deposit area.

The vehicle registration number is logged by the operator and the customer account details checked. The following Duty of Care information must be provided on the WTN:

- Written description
- Quantity
- Carrier registration details
- Waste producer

If there is a breach of Duty of Care the operator records it in the site log and informs the site manager who decides whether the load should be quarantined until the breach is remedied, or whether it should be rejected. In the case of hazardous waste the EA is informed if the load is rejected.

Waste loads will be fully inspected during deposit in the working area. Any non-conforming waste loads or part-loads will be rejected in accordance with the rejection procedure.

Where conditions are windy, loads will remain sheeted until they arrive at the working area in order to minimise the risk of windblown dust. In this event, the load will be inspected upon deposit and the operative inspecting the load will maintain contact with the reception clerk in order to cross-check the waste load with the relevant documentation.

Rejection Procedure

Waste can be rejected at the weighbridge before tipping or after deposit when it has been fully inspected.

Waste arriving on site which is not permitted is directed to the quarantine area by the operator and the site manager informed. The waste is rejected and recorded in the site log. If the load is hazardous the EA is informed.

Waste which is not acceptable due to unsuitability, eg it does not fully conform to the description, is rejected either at the weighbridge after initial inspection or after tipping.

If the load has been tipped and is found to be non-conforming, or to contain items which are non-conforming it is reloaded/the items are reloaded and it is recorded in the site log as a partial rejection.

Quarantine Procedure

Waste that requires quarantining after deposit will be photographed first and then pushed into a pile away from the working area and covered with a tarpaulin to mark it as quarantined material.

The Site Manager liaises with the customer and the waste is removed from site, either back to the customer or to a suitably authorised facility.

Quarantined material will be removed from site as soon as possible, in accordance with the rejection procedure.

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APPENDIX A