

ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY POLICY STATEMENT

The Driving Standards Agency (DSA) aims to promote safe and sustainable road use in Great Britain. We set standards for drivers, riders and instructors and conduct driving and riding tests. Through this we seek to influence behaviour for the better throughout driving and riding careers.

The Department for Transport establishes and maintains a sustainability policy on behalf of organisations under its control. The DSA Policy Statement is supplementary to this, and is established to cover activities specific to DSA operations.

As head of the DSA, I am accountable for the environmental performance of the Agency. The Sustainable Development Team is responsible for administering the Environmental Management System (EMS), and for advising and informing DSA's Management Team on environmental issues. All staff and contractors are expected to follow the principles of this policy and related guidance, and to assist the Agency in meeting its objectives.

The DSA recognises the need continuously to improve environmental performance and to prevent pollution. We will achieve this by conducting our own operations and activities to reflect best environmental practice. In particular, the DSA will:

- adhere to government requirements including the Greening Government Commitments
- meet all current and foreseen environmental legal requirements and related official codes of practice, and require our contractors to do the same
- effectively communicate with all staff and contractors on environmental policy and performance
- ensuring that the goods and services we purchase support our environmental objectives wherever practicable and that we encourage our suppliers and contractors to improve their own environmental performance
- identify and provide appropriate training, advice and information for staff and encourage the development of new innovations
- publish our progress towards environmental sustainability in the DSA Annual Report and Accounts
- undertake regular reviews of our management system to ensure it is robust and fit for purpose.

This policy and other relevant documents are available on the Agency's website and can also be provided to other parties on request.

The DSA Environmental Sustainability Policy will be reviewed at least annually.

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DSA Chief Executive
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