MMO Environmental Policy statement

This is the environmental policy statement of the Marine Management Organisation (MMO). The MMO is an Executive Non Departmental Public Body (NDPB) established in April 2010 and given powers under the <u>Marine and Coastal Access Act 2009</u>. We are a public body that manages activities in the seas around England in compliance with the Regulators Code.

Our work includes:

- Marine planning
- Regulation of Marine Industries
- Collate and analyse data to provide statistical information
- Licensing activities in the marine area
- Protecting and enhancing the natural environment
- Preventing worldwide illegal, unregulated and unreported fishing
- Fisheries management
- Making European funding available to the fisheries and aquaculture sector
- Promoting biodiversity

Aim

The aim this policy is to achieve and maintain a management system conforming to ISO 14001 to support the delivery of the above commitments. The MMO will operate in a sustainable manner, prevent any possible causes of pollution from its operational activities and continually improve its environmental performance. In line with Greening Government commitments, the MMO will achieve this aim through the following objectives.

Objectives

- Reduce carbon emissions generated by the MMO estate and MMO travel
- Meet the targets set as part of Greening Government Commitments
- Identify and spread best practice on sustainability within MMO
- Report regularly on our sustainability performance and address areas of concern
- Promote environmental responsibility with all MMO employees through raising awareness of sustainability issues and ensuring access to MMO sustainability strategy
- Use procurement processes to encourage suppliers of services to reduce their environmental impact
- Comply with relevant legislation and other requirements to which the MMO subscribes

Environmental performance

Our objectives will be delivered through a programme of improvement targets and will be managed and monitored by our Performance and Reporting team.

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Who is this policy statement for?

This policy is primarily aimed at our staff, suppliers and customers.

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Copies of this quality policy statement will be made freely available to all those with an interest in MMO. The statement will be promoted to employees, customers and representatives of the local communities in which we operate.

Signature:

Date:

23.01.2017.