
Overview

This unit is for supervisors at work in the cleaning industry. It is designed to demonstrate competence in maintaining sustainable development and environmental good practice during work activities.

This unit is about how to take steps to minimise damage to the environment and disturbance to habitats. It requires resources to be used in accordance with approved procedures and practices, explaining these to others and suggesting improvements where they can be made.

Relevant policies and legislative requirements to take account of include those for:

1. health and safety
2. the environment
3. operational
4. regulatory
5. statutory
6. organisational policies
7. risk assessments

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Performance criteria

- You must be able to:*
- P1 ensure work is carried out in a manner which minimises pollution and physical disturbance
 - P2 ensure staff use recyclable materials, static and mobile plant that will minimise pollution and physical disturbance
 - P3 make sure work is carried out in accordance with relevant policies and legislation
 - P4 recognise physical disturbance and take the appropriate action
 - P5 identify improvements to procedures and practices in terms of environmental good practice and take the appropriate action
 - P6 ensure staff dispose of hazardous and non-hazardous waste safely and according to relevant approved procedures and practices
 - P7 contribute to sustainable development particularly conservation of energy, water, use of resources and equipment to minimise environmental damage during cleaning activities

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Knowledge and understanding

You need to know and understand:

- K1 methods for minimising environmental damage during work
- K2 the most suitable choice of materials and equipment given the nature of the work activity, and its potential impact on the environment
- K3 ways in which tools and materials should be used in order to minimise environmental damage
- K4 operational and legislative requirements in terms of minimising environmental damage
- K5 types of damage which may occur, the impact these can have on the environment, and the corrective actions to be taken
- K6 methods of waste disposal which will minimise the risk to the environment

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