

EP16 - EMS Annual Review

What is this?

This is a written procedure that outlines how to carry out the annual review of the EMS.

What does the managing director need to do?

The managing director must ensure that an annual review of the EMS takes place and involves all key personnel involved with its implementation (responsible manager, consultants etc).

What does the responsible manager need to do?

The responsible manager must ensure that:

- → All relevant information is available for review (as detailed below and as required for the agenda)
- All existing targets and objectives have been completed, and new ones are discussed and agreed for the forthcoming year
- → After the meeting, the results (minutes of the meeting) are available for all company employees and other interested parties
- → New targets are put into the environmental manual and itemised on the site improvement action plan.

What does the management review involve?

The annual management review will consider and document the following information from the EMS:

Inputs

- (i) The environmental policy
- (ii) The environmental objectives
- (iii) The environmental targets
- (iv) The site improvement action plan
- (v) Results from internal and external audits and evaluations of legal compliance (including reports from the Environment Agency)
- (vi) Non-conformance reports
- (vii) Communications from external interested parties including complaints
- (viii) The environmental performance of the organisation (review of KPIs against previous years)
- (ix) The extent to which the targets and objectives have been met
- (x) Status of corrective and preventative actions
- (xi) Actions from previous management reviews
- (xii) Changing circumstances including developments in legal and other requirements related to the environmental aspects and impacts



- (xiii) Recommendations for improvement
- (xiv) Provision of resources.

Outputs

- (i) Minutes of the meeting including:
 - a. Decisions and actions relating to the environmental policy, objectives, targets and other elements
 - b. Action plan of the new targets set.

Note: The review will also record any observations, conclusions and recommendations.

Associated documentation

EMS Sections

- → Management Review
- → Environmental Impact Review
- → Targets and Objectives

Environmental Procedures

- → EP04 Specifying Targets and Objectives
- → EP05 Setting Key Performance Indicators (KPIs)
- → EP06 Document Control
- → EP07 Internal and External Communications
- → EP08 Complaint Handling
- → EP12 Provision, Monitoring and Review of Resources
- → EP13 System Verification and Corrective Action
- → EP15 Management Audits
- → EP17 Reporting and Accounting

Forms

- → EF02 Site Improvement Action Plan
- → EF13 Annual Review Agenda Template

