

# **ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY**

#### **PURPOSE**

The Southern Ports Authority (SPA) will minimise its impact to its communities and their environment from SPA related activities within and beyond SPA controlled areas on land and water.

### **POLICY STATEMENT**

SPA will:

- Recognise on-going custodianship of port lands and waters and accountability for environmental impacts of past and future operations and activities;
- Recognise that the ports responsibility for their activities extends beyond the ports boundaries to the adjacent communities and environment;
- Identify and manage environmental risks to minimize impact and prevent incidents;
- Continuously improve our environmental systems to beat our targets;
- Monitor research and adopt innovation on environmental matters;
- Maintain an environmental management system consistent with ISO14001: 2016 and comply with all applicable legislations;
- Set and review environmental performance indicators and targets;
- Ensure individuals, teams and companies are accountable and responsible for the minimisation of the environmental impacts of their activities and operations;
- Promote behaviours that encourages ports staff and local communities to report any incident;
- SPA will actively participate in investigations of incidents and complaints in accordance with its core values of honesty and integrity;
- Provide resources, training and support to meet environmental objectives;
- Make the Policy accessible to all employees and interested third parties and updated to reflect changes impacting on the safety in our workplaces; and
- Ensure the Policy is displayed, effectively communicated, implemented and maintained.
- Engage with the community and port users on environmental issues.

## **RESPONSIBILITIES**

The CEO and delegated Staff members of each SPA site are responsible for ensuring compliance with this Policy. A review of the effectiveness and relevance of the Policy will be conducted annually on the anniversary of the effective date of the Policy unless there is a material change which affects the intent of the Policy.

### **RELATED LEGISLATION AND DOCUMENTS**

The applying legislation and documents include, but are not limited to the following;

- Port Authorities Act 1999
- Environmental Protection Act 1986
- Western Australian Marine Act 1982
- Contaminated Site Act 2002
- Biosecurity Act 2015
- Sea Dumping Act 1981
- SPA Risk Management Framework

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