





Health and Safety Policy Statement

The following is the Health and Safety Policy Statement of DB Group Ltd (the Company) in accordance with section 2 of the Health and Safety at Work etc. Act 1974. It is the policy of the Company to assure, as far as is reasonably practicable, the health, safety and welfare of all employees working for the Company and other persons who may be affected by the Company's activities.

The Company acknowledges that successful health and safety management requires an effective policy, organisation and senior management commitment. To maintain that commitment, the Company will continually measure, monitor and revise its implementation where necessary. The Company will review the policy at least on an annual basis to make sure that all of its content is relevant and within the requirements of health and safety legislations. To assist with maintaining the policy the Company has established and formed a Health and Safety committee to discuss key areas and uses an Incident Response Team to monitor all emergency safety equipment and procedures.

The Company also discusses health and safety as part of its requirements in both ISO 9001 and 14001 management systems.

Senior management implement the Company's health and safety policy and recommend any changes to meet new requirements. The Company recognises that successful health and safety management contributes to successful business performance and will allocate adequate finances and resources to meet these needs. Senior management of the Company look upon the promotion of health and safety measures as a shared objective for themselves and employees. It is, therefore, the policy of management to do all that is reasonably practicable to prevent personal harm and damage to property. The Company aims to protect everyone, including visitors, contractors and members of the public that could come into contact with our activities, from any reasonably foreseeable hazards or danger.

The Company has implemented a Head Office Site Safety Induction for both visitors and contractors to generate awareness of the potential hazards they may encounter whilst on the premises. As a further safety measure the company has also introduced a permit to work system for all contractors coming on the premises to carryout works. All employees have duties under the Health and Safety at Work Act 1974, and are informed of their personal responsibilities to take due care of the health and safety of themselves, and to ensure that they do not endanger other persons by their acts or omissions. Employees are also informed that they must co-operate with the Company in order that it can comply with the legal requirements placed upon it and in the implementation of this policy.

The Company will continuously consult with all employees to establish and consider their viewpoints and recommendations, so these can be discussed at regular intervals. This includes informing employees of, and encouraging participation in, relevant meetings, including formal health and safety meetings. Employees are provided an opportunity to submit their viewpoints for discussion during the meeting.



The Company identifies hazards and risks and determines suitable control measures by carrying out Risk and COSHH Assessments, which are reviewed on an annual basis or more frequently if appropriate. These assessments are carried out by competent and trained members of staff and are compiled and stored when complete.

In the event that an assessment would be beyond our internal capability the Company will appoint an external, competent contractor to carry out the assessment and provide a report with recommendations.

All employees including senior members of the management team are required to read through the assessments to formally acknowledge their awareness and understanding after each review.

When required, and as detailed in the Risk and COSHH Assessments, the Company will supply personal protective equipment (PPE) to all employees, this will be seen as a last resort as the company look to follow the commonly used hierarchy of control with regards to hazards in the workplace. They are expected to use this equipment in the designated areas within the premises or when visiting external sites as required.

Where employees visit external premises and sites they will establish and be governed by that sites health and safety procedures as a minimum standard, the company is aware that construction sites are extremely hazardous and therefore has built in to its on-site processes the need for all employees to be aware of relevant health and safety information from each site that they visit, and to highlight any concerns to their regional manager so an investigation can be carried out.

Where appropriate, areas that require safety equipment will be highlighted using approved signage. Prior to issue, the Company will provide training on the use of the safety equipment. This will be carried out by a competent member of staff, or by the equipment supplier.

As a Company we carry out regular checks on personal protective equipment supplied to staff to make sure this is stored correctly and is in full working order. The Company will treat failure to comply with requirements for use of personal protective equipment as a serious matter, as described in the Company employee handbook.

The Company subscribes to the Health and Safety Executive (HSE) updates to maintain full awareness of changes or additions to health and safety standards and requirements, so as to assure full compliance with all legislation.

Finally it is the company's target through set objectives, health and safety meetings and employee participation to show continuous improvements in all areas related to health and safety so as to make the working environment a much safer place to be in



Further information regarding those with additional areas of accountability and information sources:

Description of Requirement	Responsibility of
Overall and final responsibility for health and safety and implementation of the Health and Safety Policy at DB Group Ltd	CEO - Wayne Zakers
The day-to day responsibility for health and safety documentation and health and safety policy statement review/alterations	Compliance Manager – Rowan Swanser
COSHH & Risk Assessments – latest copies	Compliance Manager – Rowan Swanser
Permit to Work System – for contractors	Factory Supervisor – Ross Tomlinson & Compliance Manager – Rowan Swanser
Purchasing of Personal Protective Equipment	Compliance Manager – Rowan Swanser
Inspection of Personal Protective Equipment within each department	Department Heads
Investigations of Off-Site Incidents, Accidents and Near Misses (with support from Compliance Manager)	Relevant Department Heads Darren Nolan & Audrius Peceliunas – Site Support Team Enda Gorman & Matt Smith – Commercial Team Martyn Smith – MPS Concrete Solutions
Health & Safety Training – for safe use of equipment or specific requirements i.e. manual handling, first aid, toolbox talks etc (with support from Compliance Team)	Department Heads Operations - Oliver Minett, Marketing & Office - Deirdra Bartholomew, Finance – Martin Coles, Technology - Kostas Koutselas, Commercial Teams – Enda Gorman & Matt Smith, MPSCS - Martyn Smith, Site Support – Darren Nolan & Audrius Peceliunas,
Implementing Emergency Procedures – in the event of fire or other significant incident	Incident Response Team Rowan Swanser, Kate Gorman, Stefan Strichen, Robert Fulton, Veronika Elfmarkova, Soresh Meeda
Possible requirement to implement disaster recovery plan	Crisis Management Team Wayne Zakers, Rowan Swanser, Martin Coles, Oliver Minett, Deirdra Bartholomew
Legislation Requirements – keeping up to date with changes, via Agora Business Safety Advisors, HSE & Legislation.GOV.uk	Compliance Manager – Rowan Swanser
Health and Safety at Work Act 1974 Poster – displayed in the workplace for employees to see – DBG poster located in Front Factory	Compliance Manager – Rowan Swanser
Maintaining safe and healthy working conditions and reporting on any unsafe conditions immediately	CEO - Wayne Zakers & All Staff
 First Aid Room – including first aid boxes & accident book – DBG first aid room located next to shower rooms in factory changing rooms. Fire Marshals – responsible for Fire Drills, Roll Call, Evacuation, Radios & Fire Alarm Control Panel 	Members of Incident Response Team who are trained in First Aid and/or Fire Marshalling Stefan Strichen, Kate Gorman, Rowan Swanser



Health and Safety Management Arrangements

Topic	Arrangement
Risk/COSHH Assessments	Carried out by competent staff as and when required, prior to installation of any new equipment/substances, new processes or work environment lay out alterations. Department Heads inform the Compliance Manager when they are in the process of any of these changes so H&S can be considered at the earliest opportunity. Risk/COSHH Assessments are regular reviewed to make sure they are all relevant. All employees are required to make themselves aware of the assessments. Air and Noise Assessments are carried out by externally approved suppliers and are completed as and when necessary, assessments are reviewed by the relevant Department head and the Compliance Manager.
Health and Safety Information, Instructions and Training	Each Department Head is responsible for ensuring that all employees under their control have received the relevant health and safety information prior to carrying out any tasks. Relevant training is also considered at every stage and where possible this is carried out by a competent member of staff or an external training provider. The Compliance Manager will assist where possible in the way of H&S toolbox talks and providing clear H&S instructions.
Incident, Accident and Near Miss Reporting +Unsafe Conditions, Acts & Behaviour	The Incident Reporting system is overviewed and monitored by the Compliance Manager with each Department Head feeding in any investigation reports raised within their departments each time an incident, accident or near miss occurs. The Senior Management Team (SMT) are notified each time an incident occurs and the reports generated are regularly discussed in Business Review and Health and Safety Meetings. The company operates a yellow slip system for the reporting of any H&S unsafe conditions, Acts or Behaviour that are spotted by employees. These are investigated by the Compliance Manager and actioned when needed.
Permit to Work (Safe Systems of Work)	Only trained personnel have the authority to raise permit to works for contractors, they will be responsible for maintaining and raising permits for contractors coming on to site to carry out maintenance/service or installation works. When high risk activities such as hot works or confined space are involved then the CEO is notified to double check all of the control measures put in place. For complex tasks/equipment at the company each department has created documented standard operating procedures (SOP's) to assist with employee understanding of how the task is carried out correctly. These are used to assist in training new employees.
Welfare and First Aid Provisions	Welfare facilities are regular cleaned by an external cleaning provider and maintained by competent members of staff. Where required the company will bring in external contractors to repair, renew or install welfare facilities to the benefit of all its employees, visitors and contractors. First aid provisions are monitored by the company's Incident Response Team (IRT) who on a regular monthly basis check all supplies and purchase the necessary stock to cover. The company has a defibrillator on the premises (located in the reception area).
Housekeeping & Waste Control	Department Heads are responsible for making sure that housekeeping is regularly carried out within their department so as to make sure health and safety hazards are not created. The build-up of dust/waste in production areas, waste paper/cardboard in the office and observing of construction site rules



	regarding housekeeping off site are a few of the areas monitored throughout each department. The Compliance Manager carry's out departmental H&S tours to check that these areas plus others are being considered (note, off site inspections are carried out by the Technical Standards Manager as part of an off-site audit). Waste is controlled via externally approved suppliers, this is removed from site on a weekly basis to reduce the risk of fire and unwanted pests resulting in bacterial diseases.
Fire Safety and Prevention	Fire Risk Assessment and servicing of the fire alarm and extinguishers is currently outsourced and provided by an externally approved supplier. Regular weekly/monthly inspections of the fire equipment is carried out by the company's IRT and documented. All departments are encouraged to remove any waste before it builds-up and becomes a fire hazard. Electrical equipment is PAT tested annually by an approved supplier. IRT members of staff are externally trained in fire marshalling.
Emergency Procedures	The company as part of its accreditation to ISO 14001 Environmental Management System have in place emergency procedures for different types of incidents. Fire was established as the company's biggest risk to the environment and health and safety so the company developed the IRT to assist with this and in other emergency situations. Regular fire drills are carried out and documented and the IRT meet to evaluate their current performance and procedures. The company operates with a disaster recovery plan which is activated in the event of a severe incident.
Compliance, Audits and Evaluation of Management of Health and Safety	The company receives regular updates from the HSE online updates, monitors UK.Gov website for any new legislation and is currently signed up to receive a regular newsletter on H&S from an externally approved supplier. The company uses the health and safety committee meetings to evaluate its overall performance with regards to health and safety and looks to set objectives and targets to achieve the best possible outcome. Health and safety forms part of the management systems audits and is also discussed at senior management/shareholder meetings.

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