

COUNCIL POLICY NO 3.4 WORK HEALTH & SAFETY

1.0 STATEMENT

Resource Recovery Group (RRG) is committed to ensuring a safe and healthy environment for all persons who enter RRG property in support of RRG's strategic vision of delivering innovative and sustainable waste management solutions for the benefit of the community.

2.0 SCOPE

This Policy applies to all who enter RRG property or undertake approved activities for RRG.

3.0 OBJECTIVES

Objectives include:

- Reducing incident frequency rates.
- Maintaining and, where possible, exceeding all applicable legal compliance requirements.
- Continually improving the WHS Management System to achieve and maintain ISO45001 accreditation.
- Take action to eliminate risks to health and safety. If this is not reasonably practicable make sure those risks are minimised as far as is reasonably practicable.

4.0 DEFINITIONS

RRG Resource Recovery Group

CVC Canning Vale Centre

WHS Work Health and Safety

5.0 ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

Chief Executive Officer

The Chief Executive Officer shall, as far as practicable, provide and maintain a safe working environment in which employees, contractors, volunteers, suppliers, clients and members of the public are not unnecessarily exposed to hazards.

Executive Managers and Managers

Executive Managers and Managers take action to eliminate risks to health and safety. If this is not reasonably practicable make sure those risks are minimised as far as is reasonably practicable. They are responsible for ensuring WHS objectives are being met by all who enter RRG property, maintaining safe systems of work and regularly reporting on the performance of their teams.

WHS Manager

The WHS Manager is responsible for ensuring;

- WHS objectives are being monitored and met.
- · Maintaining safe systems of work.
- Regularly reporting on the performance of WHS.
- Supporting the identification of opportunities for improvement.
- Records management and confidentiality practices are adhered to; and
- The WHS policy is available and communicated to stakeholders.

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Human Resources Officer

Medical records of employees are maintained in a confidential manner and be made accessible when required by appropriate management representative(s).

Co-ordinators /Supervisors

Coordinators and Supervisors are responsible for the compliance and safety of all workers within their areas of responsibility. This includes:

- Plant and equipment are maintained in a safe condition and defects are reported/managed effectively;
- Housekeeping is maintained in all working areas;
- Ensuring compliance to safe systems of work and look towards continual improvement
- Appropriate WHS induction, instruction and training is regularly given to all personnel;
- Ensuring compliance to the wearing and maintenance of personal protective equipment;
- All Incidents and hazards are reported as soon as reasonably practicable;
- Hazard identification practices are regularly undertaken by workers and risks are evaluated and controlled; and
- Consulting with workers on decisions that may affect their health and safety in the workplace.

Employees, Contractors, Customers, Clients, Volunteers and Visitors

Employees, Contractors, Sub-contractors, Customers, Clients, Volunteers and Visitors are to:

- Ensure their own health and safety when at the RRG;
- Ensure the health and safety of others in the workplace;
- Comply with all applicable safe systems of work, including legal requirements;
- Comply with all lawful instructions as given for their and others safety and health;
- Comply with all Personal Protective Equipment requirements as instructed;
- Use plant and equipment in accordance with manufacturer instructions;
- Cooperate with the RRG in the carrying out obligations as imposed by the Work health and Safety Act 2020 (WHS Act); and
- Report all incidents, near misses and hazards immediately.

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6.0 CONTENT

6.1. Principles

RRG is committed to:

- Establishing a framework for setting WHS objectives.
- Fulfilling all legal and other requirements as applicable to RRG operations and activities.
- Ensure health and safety, so far as is reasonably practicable, by eliminating risks to health and 3afety.
- Support continuous improvement of the WHS Management System.
- Consulting and encouraging the participation of workers, and worker representatives.
- To maintain a safety culture through regular consultation and communication.
- The provision and maintenance of a working environment that is safe and without risks to health, including safe access to and exit from the workplace
- The provision and maintenance of plant, structure and systems of work that are safe and do not pose health risks
- The safe use, handling, storage and transport of plant, structure and the provision of adequate facilities for the welfare of workers at work
- The provision of information, instruction, training or supervision to workers needed for them to work without risks to their health and safety and that of others around them
- That the health of workers and the conditions of the workplace are monitored to prevent injury or illness arising out of the conduct of the business or undertaking

6.2. Procedures

RRG will meet these commitments by maintaining an occupational safety and health management system that meets with ISO45001:2018 standard requirements which includes:

- Regularly consult and communicate with workers in matters of WHS.
- Regularly review existing policies, procedures, and other instructions to ensure fit for purpose.
- Regularly monitor compliance to existing policies, procedures, and other instructions.
- Regularly undertake risk management activities to ensure risk control measures are as low as reasonably practicable.
- Regularly provide training, information, and instruction to employees in matters of WHS.

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7.0 REFERENCES & REVIEW

Statutory Compliance	 3.4 OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH & SAFETY POLICY The Work Health and Safety Act 2020 (WHS Act) Work Health and Safety (General) Regulations 2022 Workers Compensation and Injury Management Act 1981 [WA] Workers Compensation and Injury Management Regulations 1982 [WA] 		
Organisational Compliance	 RRG Contractor Handbook Injury Management Policy Approved RRG Safety Standards and other relevant documents 		
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