

# Iarnród Éireann Environmental Policy

## Introduction

Iarnród Éireann-Irish Rail is a Statutory Body with an obligation to provide a safe, working rail transport system for the Republic of Ireland. The company owns, operates and maintains the rail track network, customer service amenities and train maintenance facilities.

## Policy

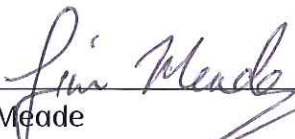
Iarnród Éireann-Irish Rail recognises that our activities have an impact on the environment. It is our responsibility to manage these impacts and improve our efficiency to reduce consumption of natural resources.

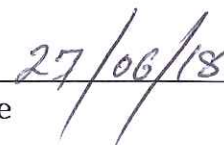
Iarnród Éireann commits to:

- Conduct our activities, and those undertaken on our behalf, in an environmentally responsible manner and in accordance with all applicable compliance obligations (ex. applicable legislation, discharge licence agreements, Local Authority agreements, etc.) and Company Policy and Standards
- Consider environmental implications in our planning and decision-making
- Act responsibly in our use of natural resources, reduce emissions and minimise the generation of all wastes as far as practicable, and increase the volume of waste recycled and / or reused
- Record and respond swiftly to all complaints on environmental matters
- Address significant environmental concerns in order to minimise pollution risks
- Procure vehicles, materials and supplies that meet minimum specifications set out in EU Directives and other requisites
- Develop an Environmental Management System with existing management systems (Quality, Energy, Safety, etc.) for incremental benefit
- Establish a framework for setting objectives and targets, and for reviewing performance against these objectives and targets, on a regular basis
- Minimise the adverse impact of pollution and reduce the environmental risks of the company's activities
- Record and respond swiftly to all complaints on environmental matters
- Inform our employees, suppliers and contractors of our Environmental Policy and provide the necessary training and support required to meet our environmental objectives
- Communicate our environmental status, in relation to the requirements of this policy, to the Executive Board and to our employees on a regular basis
- Make this policy statement available to all staff, contractors, the public and all interested stakeholders

Iarnród Éireann commits its employees to actively support this Policy and to implement it at all levels throughout the organisation.

This policy has the endorsement of the Executive Board.

  
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Jim Meade  
Chief Executive Officer  
Iarnród Éireann-Irish Rail

  
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