

CANNOCK CHASE DISTRICT COUNCIL



THE ENVIRONMENTAL PERMITTING (ENGLAND AND WALES) REGULATIONS 2010

Permit to operate a Timber Installation under Section 6.6 - Timber Activities,
Part B (a)(i) of Schedule 1 of the Environmental Permitting (England &
Wales) Regulations 2010

PERMIT REFERENCE: 6.6B (a)(i) EPR 01/11

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This introductory note does not form a part of the Permit

The following Permit is granted under Regulation 13 of the Environmental Permitting (England and Wales) Regulations 2010 (S.I.2010/675) (“the EP Regulations”) to operate an installation carrying out one or more of the activities listed in Part B to Schedule 1 of those Regulations, to the extent authorised by the Permit.

The Permit includes conditions that have to be complied with.

Techniques include both the technology used and the way in which the installation is designed, built, maintained, operated and decommissioned.

Brief description of the installation regulated by this permit

Treeway Fencing Ltd is hereby permitted, in accordance with the requirements of the Environmental Permitting (England and Wales) Regulations 2010, to operate a timber activity as prescribed by Section 6.6 Part B (a)(i) of Schedule 1, Part 1, to the above Regulations, subject to the conditions outlined in this Permit.

Contacting the Regulator

This Permit has been issued by Cannock Chase District Council as the Regulator for this installation and the address above (Page 2) is the Principle contact address for all matters relating to the Permit.

Confidentiality

The Permit requires the Operator to provide information to Cannock Chase District Council. The Council will place the information onto the public registers in accordance with the requirements of the EP Regulations. If the Operator considers that any information provided is commercially confidential, it may apply to Cannock Chase District Council to have such information withheld from the register as provided in the EP Regulations. To enable Cannock Chase District Council to determine whether the information is commercially confidential, the Operator should clearly identify the information in question and should specify clear and precise reasons.

Variations to the permit

Your attention is drawn to the Variation Notification Procedure condition in the permit. This Permit may be varied in the future. If at any time the activity or any aspect of the activity regulated by the following conditions changes such that the conditions no longer reflect the activity and require alteration, the Regulator should be contacted.

Revocation of the permit

Where an Operator intends to cease the operation of an installation (in whole or in part) the regulator should be informed in writing, The Regulator may revoke a permit in whole or in part, and may require the operator to take steps-

- to avoid a pollution risk resulting from the operation of the regulated facility; or
- to return the site to a satisfactory state, having regard to the state of the site before the facility was put into operation.

Transfer of the permit or part of the permit

Before the Permit can be wholly or partially transferred to another person, a joint application to transfer the Permit has to be made by both the existing and proposed holders, in accordance with Regulation 21 of the EP Regulations. A transfer will be allowed unless the Authority considers that the proposed holder will not be the person who will have control over the operation of the installation or will not ensure compliance with the conditions of the transferred Permit.

Responsibility under workplace health and safety legislation

This Permit is given in relation to the requirements of the EP Regulations. It must not be taken to replace any responsibilities you may have under Workplace Health and Safety legislation.

Appeal against permit conditions

Anyone who is aggrieved by the conditions attached to a Permit can appeal to the Appropriate Authority, (Secretary of State for the Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, in England and the Welsh Ministers in Wales) Appeals must be made in accordance with the requirements of Regulation 31 and Schedule 6 of the EP Regulations.

Appeals should be received by the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs or the Welsh Ministers at the following addresses:

The Planning Inspectorate
Environment Team, Major and Specialist
Casework
Room 4/04 Kite Wing
Temple Quay House
2 The Square
Temple Quay
Bristol BS1 6PN

Or for appeals in Wales:

The Planning Inspectorate
Crown Buildings
Cathays Park
CARDIFF
CF10 3NQ

Please Note

An appeal brought under Regulation 31 (1) (b) and Schedule 6, in relation to the conditions in a permit will not suspend the effect of the conditions appealed against; the conditions must still be complied with.

In determining an appeal against one or more conditions, the Act allows the Secretary of State in addition to quash any of the other conditions not subject to the appeal and to direct the local authority either to vary any of these other conditions or to add new conditions.

End of Introductory Notes

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Cannock Chase District Council (the Regulator) in exercise of its powers under Regulation 13 of the Environmental Permitting (England and Wales) Regulations 2010 (S.I.2010/675) hereby permits


Treeway Fencing Ltd ("the operator"),

Whose registered offices are:

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To operate an installation comprising timber activities to the extent authorised by and subject to the conditions of this Permit.

Signed

A rectangular box containing a handwritten signature in black ink. The signature appears to be 'S. Shiloh'.

Head of Environmental Health
The Proper Officer Designated to sign on behalf of the Council.
Cannock Chase District Council

Dated

18th October 2011

Installation Description

Treeway Fencing Limited specialise in the manufacture of wooden fencing panels, trellis panels and allied products.

Softwood timber is brought onto site where it undergoes primary conversion by debarking and sawing into a variety of lengths.

Secondary processing is then undertaken to form the sawn softwood timbers into fence panels and trellis etc. This occurs both automatically and also by manual means.

The key emissions from the process consist of particulate matter generated by the machining operations including the size reduction of off-cuts or waste by granulation techniques. Emissions of wood dust will also arise from the movement of sawn timbers during manufacture, storage and removal operations.

The debarking and sawing stations have local exhaust ventilation to remove sawdust and chippings produced during the manufacturing process. The local ventilation is continuously extracted via two cyclone filters.

All sawdust and woodchip waste is collected on site and sent for off-site recycling.

PERMIT CONDITIONS

1.0 MONITORING, INVESTIGATIONS AND RECORDING

1.1 The operator shall keep records of inspections, tests and monitoring, including all non-continuous monitoring, inspections and visual assessments. The records shall include the time and date of the observation, the location from which the observations were made, the wind direction and weather conditions, the likely source of any emissions, details of corrective action taken and the name and position of the person undertaking the observations. The records shall be:

- kept on site and retained by the operator for at least two years; and
- made available for the regulator to examine.

1.2 Any historical records kept off-site shall be made available for inspection within one working week of any request by the regulator.

1.3 Adverse results from **any** monitoring activity shall be investigated by the operator as soon as the monitoring data has been obtained / received. The operator shall:

- identify the cause and take corrective action
- record as much detail as possible regarding the cause and extent of the problem and the action taken by the operator to rectify the situation
- re-test to demonstrate compliance as soon as possible; and
- notify the regulator.

2.0 VISIBLE EMISSIONS

- 2.1 Emissions from the cyclones and dust boxes in normal operation shall be free from particulate matter. There shall be no visible emissions of dust from the installation that cross the designated installation boundary marked on the plan given as page 13 of this Permit.
- 2.2 All emissions to air, other than steam or water vapour, shall be colourless and free from persistent mist, persistent fumes and droplets.
- 2.3 There shall be no burning of any materials in the open air in connection with the permitted installation.
- 2.4 Visual assessments of emissions shall be made frequently, once at start up and at least once a day during operations. The time, location and results of these assessments shall be recorded. Assessments of emissions from abatement plant shall be made at least three times daily during operations. Particular attention must be paid to areas where vehicles are filled with wood waste and wood dust.

3.0 MATERIALS HANDLING

- 3.1 Storage areas where there is vehicular movement shall have a consolidated surface which should be kept in good repair.
- 3.2 To control dust emissions from sawdust stockpiles, storage bays shall be used. If necessary, covers or other suitable dust suppressants shall be used such that no stockpiles of sawdust are kept in the open air.
- 3.3 The transportation and handling of wood dust and wood particles shall be carried out by using pneumatic or enclosed handling systems. These systems shall be visually inspected regularly to identify damaged or worn ductwork and any build up of wood dust or wood particles around ducting, the floor, in gutters shall be removed and the source of the fugitive emission repaired.
- 3.4 Displaced and transport air from the above handling systems shall be vented to the cyclones which shall be capable of preventing visual emissions.
- 3.5 A written procedure, available for Enforcing Authority inspection shall be implemented for the methodology to be used to both remove wood dusts from the dropout zone of the cyclones and for the removal, storage and loading procedure prior to removal from site so as to minimise the escape to air of wood dust and particulate matter.

4.0 FUGITIVE EMISSIONS

- 4.1 Fugitive dust emissions shall be prevented whenever practicable. Attention shall be paid to preventing and cleaning up deposits of dust on external support structures and roofs, in order to minimise wind entrainment of deposited dust.
- 4.2 Any spillage of wood dust or chippings etc. occurring outside buildings shall be cleaned up by vacuum cleaning, wet methods or other appropriate techniques. The dry sweeping of dust spillages is not permitted.
- 4.3 All process buildings shall be cleaned regularly, according to a written maintenance programme, to minimise fugitive emissions.
- 4.4 The method of collection of product or waste from dry arrestment plant shall be such that dust emissions are minimised.
- 4.5 A high standard of housekeeping shall be maintained.

5.0 ROADWAYS AND VEHICLES

- 5.1 Vehicle exhausts shall not, wherever practicable, be directed below the horizontal.
- 5.2 Roadways in normal use where there is regular movement of vehicles shall have a consolidated surface, be in good repair and capable of being cleaned in order to prevent or minimise dust emissions.

6.0 TRAINING

- 6.1 Staff at all levels shall receive the necessary training and instruction in their duties relating to control of the process and emissions to air. In order to minimise risk of emissions, particular emphasis shall be given to control procedures during start-up, shutdown and abnormal conditions.
- 6.2 Training of all staff with responsibility for operating the process shall include:
 - awareness of their responsibilities under the permit; in particular how to deal with conditions likely to give rise to dust emissions, such as the event of spillage
 - minimising emissions on start-up and shutdown
 - action to minimise emissions during abnormal conditions.
- 6.3 The operator shall maintain a statement of training requirements for each operational post and keep a record of the training received by each person whose actions may have an impact on the environment. These documents shall be made available to the regulator on request.

7.0 MAINTENANCE

7.1 Effective preventative maintenance shall be employed on all aspects of the process including all plant, buildings and the equipment concerned with the control of emissions to air, in particular:

- (i) A written maintenance programme shall be provided to the regulator with respect to pollution control equipment; and
- (ii) A record of such maintenance shall be made available for inspection.

7.2 Planned preventative maintenance schedules shall include the LEV and cyclone systems.

8.0 ABNORMAL EVENTS

8.1 The operator shall produce a list of key arrestment plant and shall have a written procedure for dealing with its failure, in order to minimise any adverse effects.

8.2 In the case of abnormal emissions, malfunction or breakdown leading to abnormal emissions the operator shall:

- investigate and undertake remedial action **immediately**
- adjust the process or activity to minimise those emissions; and
- promptly record the events and actions taken.

8.3 The regulator shall be informed without delay:

- if there is an emission that is likely to have an effect on the local community; or
- in the event of the failure of key arrestment plant, for example, cyclone filtration plant or continuous monitoring equipment.

9.0 SPARES

9.1 Spares and consumables, in particular those subject to continual wear, shall be held on site, or shall be available at short notice from guaranteed local suppliers.

END OF CONDITIONS