

# ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY

## **Introduction**

The Port of Tauranga Limited (the Port) is committed to demonstrating environmental leadership. This is reflected in its commitment to preserving and ensuring sustainability of the environment for future generations.

## **Purpose**

This policy is designed to ensure the actions of the Port are environmentally sustainable.

The Port is committed to maintaining the life supporting capacity of our environment and positively managing environmental resources for the benefit of the Port, local communities and its future generations. Initiatives include:

- Setting standards for environmental performance that are consistent with the Port's environmental aspirations.
- Creating an attitude of responsible and positive environmental performance.
- Sustainably managing adverse environmental effects and environmental risks associated with port activities by setting, monitoring and improving (where practicable) environmental operational standards.
- Seeking opportunities to improve resource use efficiencies and where possible, reduce our environmental impact.
- Recognising the role of local iwi and hapu in the moana and its surrounds.

## **Scope**

This policy details the principles behind environmental management decisions and procedures undertaken at the port.

This policy applies to all activities undertaken within port operational areas by all port users.

## **Policy**

The Port endeavours to act as stewards of the environment and to advocate responsible environmental practice as follows.

- Requiring all port users to consider and undertake diligent environmental performance at all times for all activities.
- Requiring that activities undertaken on the Port comply with all relevant environmental legislation and regulations.




- Working with relevant stakeholders to create and update environmental operational standards to reduce environmental risk. Particular emphasis is to be placed on ensuring air and stormwater quality standards are met.
- Educating port users on environmental issues associated with activities, sharing best practice and advising how to achieve conformance with the Port's environmental operational standards.
- Undertaking audits of port users' activities to monitor conformance with the Port's environmental operational standards.
- Addressing non-conformance with Port environmental operational standards and taking appropriate action.
- Seeking and incorporating continuous improvement opportunities, including technological advances and innovations, to current environmental operational standards and practices to improve environmental outcomes.
- Investigating all environmental incidents occurring on the port that are reported to the Port.
- Considering environmental impacts when purchasing equipment.
- Recognising and acknowledging strong environmental leadership and best practice on the port.
- The Port is a CEMARS (Certified Emissions and Reduction Scheme) organisation and is committed to a carbon management and reduction programme.

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