

The Chiltern Lift Company *Limited*

ALL TYPES OF LIFT INSTALLATIONS, SERVICING AND REPAIRS

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The Chiltern Lift Company Environmental Policy

Policy Introduction

- The Chiltern Lift Company resolutely acknowledges the importance of environmental protection. The Company has made a strong commitment to meet this challenge by identifying what processes and actions could have an effect on the environment and by actively incorporating improvements to working processes and monitoring their effectiveness.
- The Company's Environmental Protection Policy demonstrates to our employees, customers and partners our concern for the environment, both presently and in the future.
- The Chiltern Lift Company is committed to complying with current environmental legislation, in particular the Environmental Protection Act 1990.
- The Chiltern Lift Company is a Registered Waste Carrier.
Registration No: TWE/673732

Policy Statement

- Our policy is to protect and maintain the environment through good working practices and to minimise the impact our actions may have upon it. We endeavour to reduce waste and to promote our standards within the lift industry. We also accept our responsibilities under the Environmental Protection Act 1990.
- The Company ventures to minimise any potential risk to all our employees and members of the public likely to be effected by our work routines and processes, while employees themselves have a duty to take reasonable care to co-operate in the operation of this policy, to ensure its effectiveness.
- The policy will be perpetually maintained with particular emphasis on any future changes in the nature and size of the business. To ensure this the policy, and the way in which it operates will be the subject of an annual review.
- The allocation of duties for environmental matters and the particular arrangements, which we will make to implement the policy, are set out in the following pages of this document.

Signature of Director

R. Festorazzi

Mr. R. Festorazzi – Director

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Registered in England No: 1090333
Registered Office: As above

Policy Objectives

The understanding of the need for environmental protection forms an integral part of the The Chiltern Lift Co Ltd's business philosophy. The company is committed to protecting the environment and accepts the responsibility not to compromise the ability of future generations to sustain their needs.

The impact that any of our activities or those of our clients/contractors may have on the environment is an area of concern.

We seek to reduce our consumption of non-renewable resources, and whenever practicable will select materials, which have the least negative impact on the environment throughout their life cycle.

Environmental protection will have equal status to considerations for health, safety and quality.

In confirming our commitment to protection of the environment we will treat environmental regulations that apply to our activities as minimum standards and where appropriate aim to better them. We will provide information to sub-contractors, customers and end users of our services to ensure that misuse will not be the cause of damage to the environment.

Responsibility for the environmental policy and supporting statement lies with the company Directors. The company has appointed a management representative who has the responsibility for the continuous development of the Environmental Management System and for ensuring that this policy is reflected in all The Chiltern Lift Co Ltd's activities;

The environmental policy will be brought to the attention of all employees and will be made available to the general public via the company website; www.chilternlifts.co.uk. and will be reviewed annually to assess its effectiveness, compliance with environmental law and to ensure that it reflects changing needs and circumstances.

Whilst recognising the fundamental responsibility of the company and its employees for environmental protection, particular attention will be paid to the following areas:

Waste Management

Waste will be kept to a minimum, compatible with best industry practises. Only licensed waste contractors will be used to dispose of waste. Our sub-contractors shall be encouraged to apply the principals of this policy and shall be required to comply with the minimum relevant legislation.

Flora and Fauna at work locations

Every effort shall be made to minimise the effects of the company's activities on the flora and fauna within and around work sites. Site surveys shall be carried out to establish site specific conditions and the presence of any plant life within the vicinity.

Recycling

Whenever viably possible materials will be purchased from suppliers who obtain products from renewable resources.

Noise/Dust Light

All noise and debris will be suppressed, where practical, to ensure that only minimal disruption is caused to neighbouring businesses or the general public.

Conservation of energy

The management representative or job project managers shall introduce and monitor efficient and economic use of energy in the form of heating and lighting with the objective of reducing the use of energy.

Training

All employees shall be made aware of the objectives of this policy and the contribution expected from them. Employees with high risk tasks shall be trained in the environmental aspects associated with those tasks.

Legislative Compliance

Regular environmental assessments shall be carried out to ensure compliance with the legislation and the application of best available practice in environmental protection.

Environmental Objectives

Objectives will be set, monitored and reviewed to provide a management tool for the company to achieve the objectives set out in this policy and help achieve continuous improvement in our environment performance.

All employees are equally responsible for complying with this Environmental Policy and are encouraged to suggest improvements to this end.

ASBESTOS POLICY

The Chiltern Lift Company Limited will ensure that The Company complies with the fundamental requirements of Regulation 4 of the Control of Asbestos at Work Regulations 2002 (CAWR 2002).

All staff are asbestos aware and have attended in-house training sessions given by senior supervisors trained in Asbestos Awareness by Connaught Compliance Services. In-house training is carried out at regular intervals of between 18 and 24 months.

All staff members are made aware that there may be asbestos containing products installed in the premises they attend.

The Chiltern Lift Company will not carry out work which is liable to expose its employees to asbestos until:

- A suitable and sufficient assessment of the risk created by that exposure to the health of those employees and of the steps that need to be taken to meet the requirements of these Regulations has been undertaken.

Staff are advised that before undertaking any work or disturbing existing materials, to check the site Asbestos Register, where available. The Asbestos Register records where asbestos is likely to be present. They are also made aware that not all asbestos on site may have been recorded and that the Register may not be fully up to date. The appropriate precautions are to be taken.

Under no circumstances should employees disturb any material which may contain asbestos without specific instruction and authorisation. In particular no abrading, drilling, breaking or removing of such material should be undertaken.

The duty supervisor should be informed of any cases of asbestos at the earliest opportunity on 01628 527414 (24 hours)

Work on Asbestos must be carried out by competent personnel employed by licensed contractors.

NOISE IN ENGINEERING POLICY

- The Chiltern Lift Company Limited will ensure that it complies with the fundamental requirements of The Noise at Work Regulations 1989.
- Noise assessments shall be made by a competent person if noise levels exceed 85dB(A).
- Noise assessments will be reviewed and if necessary updated if there is any reason to suspect that an existing assessment is no longer valid or if there has been a significant change in the work to which the assessment relates.
- If an assessment is made and is clear there is no noise hazard, no further action is required.
- If a noise hazard is highlighted during assessment then a plan of remedial or precautionary actions will be put in place to eliminate or reduce the hazard identified.
- All assessments will be recorded and retained for further use.
- Noise reduction measures shall be taken where reasonably practical.
- Information will be provided to all employees about risks to hearing.
- Ear protectors will be provided when and where required. Employees are obliged to use ear protectors when provided and to report any defected protective equipment.