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Ensure protection of the environment during the collection of recyclables and other materials



Overview

This unit is about ensuring the protection of the environment during the collection of recyclables and other materials

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Performance criteria

You must be able to:

Implement systems to identify and deal with risks to the environment

- P1 implement and maintain quality assurance practices to deal safely with threats to the environment
- P2 implement monitoring and recording systems to check they are used correctly
- P3 implement a quality assurance system to protect the environment from harm which might be caused by collection operations
- P4 develop and promote a culture of environmental awareness within collection activities
- P5 use environmental awareness training to support collection activities
- P6 ensure there is an effective system in place to investigate incidents that may pose a threat to the environment

You must be able to:

Develop a work environment that promotes responsibility for environmental well-being

- P7 communicate the environmental procedures to all staff in line with organisational procedures
- P8 promote the organisation's commitment to environmental protection and encourage staff to demonstrate their commitment through contributions to reviews of practices and procedures
- P9 ensure staff have received relevant training on implementing environmental procedures and address any shortfalls which are identified
- P10 investigate and correct any situations where there is non-compliance with protection procedures

You must be able to:

Use and communicate data and information

- P11 report environmental incidents promptly and accurately in accordance with organisational procedures and practices
- P12 report to the appropriate people, unsound environmental practices
- P13 follow operational and organisational procedures for communicating information to other people
- P14 maintain records in accordance with organisational requirements
- P15 check with appropriate personnel any circumstance where information appears to be incorrect

You must be able to:

Resolve problems that could affect the environment

- P16 resolve day-to-day problems within the responsibility of the job role
- P17 refer problems and conditions outside the responsibility of the job role to the appropriate personnel using organisational procedures

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- P18 report to the appropriate personnel any situations that require additional intervention
- P19 report pollution incidents to the appropriate people

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Knowledge and understanding

You need to know and understand:

General

- K1 the main responsibilities of employers and employees under the 'Health and Safety at Work etc Act 1974'
- K2 the approved procedures and practices for dealing with Health and Safety and the environment related to the individual and others
- K3 the safe procedure for handling hazardous materials
- K4 the range and use of personal protective equipment for this sector
- K5 the organisations accident and incident recording and reporting procedures

You need to know and understand:

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- K6 the legislation applicable to protecting the environment
- K7 how to develop and implement systems and procedures for monitoring the environment
- K8 information and reporting required by legislation and organisational policy
- K9 possible environmental threats posed by recycling activities
- K10 mechanisms for dealing with environmental threats
- K11 personal protective equipment and measures for ensuring adherence to health and safety legislation
- K12 incident investigation, and reporting procedures
- K13 risk management
- K14 organisation policy relating to protection of the environment and quality of collection and transport operations
- K15 emergency systems and procedures
- K16 methods for dealing with pollution, spillages and transportation
- K17 how to interpret and evaluate the results of operations' monitoring and analysing trends
- K18 the interpersonal skills needed to deal with colleagues and others at all levels
- K19 how to develop and maintain a positive environmental culture

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Additional Information

Behaviours

You work in a manner which you:

1. show you are vigilant for potential risks and hazards
2. show you use different leadership styles depending on individual circumstances

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