

Dust generating activity inspection checklist

Inspection details	
Site name	
Location	
Date of inspection	
Time of inspection	
Attendees at inspection (council and site personnel)	

Checklist item	Yes	No	N/A
General			
Are responsible personnel at the site?			
What are the activities being carried out on site? (select all that apply):			
Land clearing and earthworks related to excavation and compaction activities			
 Operation of heavy machinery and related equipment for earthmoving and construction (excavators, bulldozers, front-end loaders, cranes, etc.) 			
 Erecting structures using steel, concrete, brick, glass, timber and other materials 			
 Mechanical activities including grinding, hammering, drilling, grit blasting and demolition 			
Transport of materials and product onto and off site			
 Movement of vehicles along roadways and paths, in and out of the site and within the site, together with any establishment and maintenance of the roadways (e.g. grading) 			
 Metal joining and finishing, including welding, brazing, soldering and other techniques 			
Stockpiling of materials, transfer through chutes and loading onto trucks			
Application of surface coatings and finishes using paints and adhesives			
Preparing and maintaining the site			
Are machinery and dust causing activities located away from receptors, as far as is possible?			
Have solid screens or barriers been erected around dusty activities or the site boundary that are at least as high as any stockpiles on site?			



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Are there windbreaks?			
If yes, are the wind breaks fully maintained?			
If not, can temporary windbreaks be established?			
Is site runoff of water or mud avoided?			
Are site fencing, barriers and scaffolding kept clean?			
Are seed or fence stockpiles covered, seeded or fenced to prevent wind whipping?			
Have exposed areas/soil stockpiles been stabilised?			
Are sand and other aggregates stored in bunded areas?			
Site management			
Is there a stakeholder communications plan?			
Are staff trained and aware of their responsibilities?			
Is an air quality management plan in place?			
Is the site tidy and free of excessive quantities of refuse and debris?			
Are all dust and air quality complaints recorded (e.g. in accordance with licence conditions), including identification of the cause?			
Following any complaints (if any), have appropriate measures been taken in a timely manner to reduce the emissions, and have these measures been recorded?			
Have any exceptional air quality events been recorded in the past week, either regional events (e.g. a bushfire or dust storm) or site-specific events (e.g. a high-wind event)?			
Has action been taken to resolve the air quality event?			
Has the site management taken adequate precautions with respect to hazardous materials management, including wastes such as paints, solvents, lubricating oil?			
Operations			
Are enclosed chutes, conveyors and covered skips used where applicable?			
Are drop heights minimised from conveyors, loading shovels, hoppers and other loading or handling equipment?			
Are fine water sprays used on conveyors, loading shovels, hoppers and other loading or handling equipment?			



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Is equipment readily available on site to clean any dry spillages?			
Operating vehicle/machinery and sustainable travel			
Do vehicles switch off engines when stationary?			
Are diesel- or petrol-powered generators avoided on site?			
Is mains electricity or battery powered equipment used where practicable?			
Are maximum-speed limits imposed and signposted on site?			
Monitoring			
Is any air quality monitoring undertaken at the site?			
Are all monitors functional and operating correctly?			
Do the air monitoring results indicate a problem?			
Are daily on-site and off-site dust inspections undertaken, where receptors (including roads) are nearby?			
Are inspection or monitoring results available to view?			
Dust suppression			
Are earthmoving and excavation activities managed so as to reduce dust emissions as far as practicable?			
Are water carts or water sprays used on unsealed roads?			
Are chemical dust suppressants used on unsealed roads?			
Are water sprays used on other areas?			
Are dust suppression techniques used when conducting cutting, grinding or sawing?			
Spray painting and sand or grit blasting			
Have control measures been considered for these activities (e.g. timing for sand blasting or spray painting)?			
Has wind direction and the proximity of sensitive land uses been considered when conducting these activities?			
Are all stockpiled materials (e.g. sand, cement) contained, covered or able to be wetted down?			
Track out			
Are water-assisted dust sweeper(s) used on access and local roads, to remove any material tracked out of the site?			



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Are vehicles entering and leaving the site covered to prevent escape of materials during transport?			
Is there a wheel washing system or rumble grids in place for vehicles that are leaving the site?			
Is dirty water replaced regularly in the wheel wash?			
Is there hard-surfaced road between the wheel wash facility and the site exit?			
Are access gates located at least 10 m from receptors?			

Notes: m = metres; N/A = not applicable