

# CIWM/WAMITAB Continuing Competence

	Description	WAMITAB Qualification Code	Standard Rule Permit Reference	VRQ Applicability	Units have been specified	Continuing Competence Test Requirements
High	Hazardous Waste Landfill (open & closed)	4MLH 4MLHS 4MCL		VRQ is not an option for this activity	Level 4 - Diploma in Waste Management Operations: Managing Landfill - Hazardous Waste Level 4 - Diploma in Waste Management Operations: Managing Landfill - Hazardous Waste Single stream Level 4 - Diploma in Waste Management Operations: Managing Closed Landfill Site	LH
High	Non Hazardous Waste Landfill (open & closed)	4MLNH 4MLNHS 4MCL		VRQ is not an option for this activity	Level 4 - Diploma in Waste Management Operations: Managing Landfill - Non Hazardous Waste Level 4 - Diploma in Waste Management Operations: Managing Landfill - Non Hazardous Waste Single stream Level 4 - Diploma in Waste Management Operations: Managing Closed Landfill Site	LNH
High	Hazardous Waste Disposal (not incineration or Landfill)	4MPTH		VRQ is not an option for this activity	Level 4 - Diploma in Waste Management Operations: Managing Physical & Chemical Treatment - Hazardous Waste	TMH
High	Recovery of oil/organic solvents	4MPTH 4MTTH		VRQ is not an option for this activity	Level 4 - Diploma in Waste Management Operations: Managing Physical &	TMH

## Generic Environmental Protection

### Revision Summary

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## Introduction

### About WAMITAB

WAMITAB is an awarding organisation and charity that develops qualifications for those working in cleaning; street cleansing; facilities management; resource management and recycling and parking from operative through to management level.

Since it was formed in 1989, WAMITAB has evolved in line with the convergence between the sectors with a clear focus on promoting and supporting environmental sustainability. With over 120 qualification pathways and 70 quality assured centres, WAMITAB offers an unrivalled specialist network to support staff development.

### What is Continuing Competence?

The CIWM/WAMITAB continuing competence scheme is designed to ensure that the technically competent person (holds a certificate of technical competence, units or a qualification that is part of the CIWM/WAMITAB Operator Competence Scheme) on a waste site has knowledge and skills that keep pace with changes made across the waste management industry, such as the introduction of new legislation, technologies and techniques.

The CIWM/WAMITAB continuing competence scheme requires technically competent people in England and Wales to pass an assessment that demonstrates individuals have kept their competence up to date.

Keeping competence up to date is becoming increasingly important across the UK as society starts to recognise the crucial role that waste and resource management industry professionals play in ensuring that the 434 million tonnes of waste generated every year can be treated, reused and recycled to produce a product that will contribute to further economic growth.

### About this Revision Summary

WAMITAB recognise the diverse needs of learners within the sectors we represent. To support those individuals undertaking their Continuing Competence test, we have developed this revision summary.

This revision summary is designed to support you preparation by linking the learning outcomes with the areas that may come up during the Continuing Competence test.



## 2. Controlling Emissions



### Learning Outcomes

- 2.1 Know the difference between point source and fugitive emissions.
- 2.2 Know the 'appropriate measures' used to control nuisance to neighbours, including:
  - Mud
  - Dust
  - Litter
  - Pests
  - Noise
- 2.3 Know the 'appropriate measures' used to prevent noise nuisance from the site.
- 2.4 Know how to record the measures used in written management systems.
- 2.5 Know who to apply to discharge surface water and liquids from a site to:
  - a watercourse
  - ground
  - sewer
- 2.6 Know when a written management plan for controlling emissions should be reviewed.
- 2.7 Know the requirements of an odour management plan.
- 2.8 Know the requirements of a noise and vibration management plan.

### Where do I find this information?



- [Environment Agency \(2018\) Control and monitor emissions for your environmental permit](#)
- [Environment Agency \(2004\) Environmental permitting: H3 part 2 Noise assessment and control](#)
- [Environment Agency \(2019\) Develop a management system: environmental permits](#)
- [Environment Agency \(2018\) Discharges to surface water and groundwater](#)
- [The Environmental Permitting \(England and Wales\) Regulations 2016](#)
- [Environment Agency \(2016\) Check if you need an environmental permit](#)
- [Environment Agency \(2016\) Pollution prevention for businesses](#)
- [Environment Agency \(2011\) Additional guidance for H4 Odour Management](#)
- [Environment Agency \(2002\) Horizontal Guidance for Noise Part 2 – Noise Assessment and Control](#)

### Notes

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### 3. Containment and Storage on Site



#### Learning Outcomes

- 3.1 Know the definition of the term 'secondary containment' and appropriate standards.
- 3.2 Know the required checks for an on-site 'sealed drainage system' and bunded areas.
- 3.3 Know the effect of using detergents for washing in an area served by an oil interceptor.
- 3.4 Know the difference between 'hard standing' and an impermeable pavement/ impervious surface.
- 3.5 Know the definition of the term 'sealed drainage system'.
- 3.6 Know the infrastructure requirements for the operational areas on a site including potential quarantined waste areas.
- 3.7 Know the requirements for safely storing oil and other polluting liquids.
- 3.8 Know the maintenance checks required to maintain site infrastructure and prevent pollution.
- 3.9 Know how to manage and store combustible materials safely in accordance with a Fire Prevention Plan.

#### Where do I find this information?



- [Environment Agency \(2018\) Control and monitor emissions for your environmental permit](#)
- [Environment Agency \(2011\) Pollution Prevention Guidelines: Above ground oil storage tanks PPG](#)
- [Environment Agency \(2006\) Pollution prevention guidelines](#)
- [Communities and Local Government \(2009\) Understanding permeable and impermeable surfaces](#)
- [The Environmental Protection \(England and Wales\) Regulations 2016](#)
- [Environment Agency \(2018\) Control and monitor emissions for your environmental permit](#)
- [Environment Agency \(2019\) Develop a management system: environmental permits](#)
- [Environment Agency \(2011\) Above Ground Oil Storage Tanks: PPG 2](#)
- [Environment Agency \(2015\) Fire prevention plans](#)

#### Notes

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## 4. Fires



### Learning Outcomes

- 4.1 Know the measures used to prevent fires and minimise their impact on a waste facility.
- 4.2 Know when a Fire Prevention Plan is needed.
- 4.3 Know the key elements of a Fire Prevention plan and how it should be implemented.
- 4.4 Know the information that should be made available about a waste facility to emergency services in case of a fire.



### Where do I find this information?

- [Environment Agency \(2018\) Fire prevention plans: environmental permits](#)
- [Environment Agency \(2016\) Prevent groundwater pollution from solvents](#)
- [WISH \(2017\) Reducing fire risk at waste management sites](#)

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