CIWM/WAMITAB
Continuing Competence

Landspreading

Revision Summary

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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.

1. Waste Acceptance

Learning Outcomes

1.1 Know how to determine the suitability of waste for spreading in accordance with permit conditions.

1.2 Know the onsite waste acceptance procedures, checks and records required.

1.3 Know the actions required when non-conforming wastes are identified.

1.4 Know the information required on a Waste Transfer Note.

1.5 Know who is responsible for characterising waste.

1.6 Know the actions to take if you need to spread waste that is not listed under a standard rules permit.

Where do I find this information?

- Environment Agency (2013) How to comply with your landspreading permit
- Natural Resources Wales (2014) How to comply with your landspreading permit
- Environment Agency (2004) Guidance for the recovery and disposal of hazardous and non-hazardous waste
- The Waste (England and Wales) Regulations 2011
- GOV.UK (2019) Waste Transfer Notes
- GOV.UK (2019) Classify different types of waste

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2. Storage Requirements

Learning Outcomes

2.1 Know the storage requirements for waste materials which will be spread to land.

2.2 Know the maximum capacities and freeboard of lagoons and containers.

2.3 Know the procedures for minimising pollution during storage of waste materials to be spread to land.

2.4 Know the requirements for a secondary containment system for liquid waste.

Where do I find this information?

- Environment Agency (2013) How to comply with your landspreading permit
- Natural Resources Wales (2014) How to comply with your landspreading permit
- Environment Agency (2011) H4 Odour Management

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3. Deployment Process

Learning Outcomes

3.1 Know the procedure for gaining approval to enable deployment to spread waste to land.

3.2 Know the benefit associated with spreading waste to the land.

3.3 Know the requirements of an effective Environmental Management System (EMS).

3.4 Know when and why a site specific risk assessment may be required when spreading waste to land.

3.5 Know the control measures used to mitigate risks when spreading waste to land.

3.6 Know the difference between a soil substitute and a soil conditioner.

3.7 Know what information is required on a location plan.

3.8 Know what to do if any changes to the deployment are required.

Where do I find this information?

- Environment Agency (2011) Guidance notes – application for deployment

- Environment Agency (2013) How to comply with your landspreading permit
- Natural Resources Wales (2014) How to comply with your landspreading permit
- Natural Resources Wales (2016) Guidance notes – application for deployment
- Environment Agency (2019) Develop a management system: environmental permits
- SR2010No4, SR2010No5, SR2010No6
- Natural Resources Wales (2016) Guidance notes – application for deployment

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4. Environmental Protection

Learning Outcomes

4.1 Know the measures to reduce nuisance from pests and scavengers.

4.2 Know the procedures for managing odour and what to include in an odour management plan.

4.3 Know the procedures for handling spillages on site.

4.4 Know the record keeping requirements for land spreading.

4.5 Know the main features, benefits and risks of the different spreading techniques available.

Where do I find this information?

- Environment Agency (2013) How to comply with your landspreading permit
- Natural Resources Wales (2014) How to comply with your landspreading permit
- Environment Agency (2011) H4 Odour Management
- Natural Resources Wales (2014) H4 Odour management
- Environment Agency (2016) Pollution prevention for businesses
- Pollution Prevention Guidelines: Dealing with Spills PPG 22

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