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# Environmental Policy

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**Purpose & scope.** This policy sets out how Ches Painting & Decorating Ltd manages and reduces environmental impacts across estimating, procurement, site work, transport and waste handling for residential and commercial decorating projects in Flintshire and surrounding areas.

## Our commitments

- Legal compliance & duty of care: comply with applicable environmental legislation and local requirements, including the Environmental Protection Act 1990 and the Waste (England and Wales) Regulations 2011, and maintain Waste Transfer Notes for all controlled waste.
- Pollution prevention: prevent spills and releases; carry spill kits on vehicles; use containment for wash-out; never discharge paints/solvents to surface water or drains.
- Low-VOC materials by default: specify low-VOC, water-borne systems where suitable; follow manufacturer data sheets for preparation, application and curing; avoid unnecessary solvent use.
- Lead-safe and dust control: assume legacy coatings may contain lead; use lead-safe removal methods, M-class vacuums and on-tool local exhaust ventilation (LEV); no dry sweeping—use M-class vac or wet methods.
- Waste management: segregate waste at source; use licensed carriers and disposal sites; recycle containers where accepted; label and store hazardous waste securely and arrange licensed collection.
- Water & wash-out: use lined wash-out containers; settle solids before disposal via approved routes; prevent contamination of soil and drains.
- Energy & travel: plan routes to reduce mileage; consolidate deliveries; minimise idling; maintain vehicles and tools for efficiency.
- Responsible procurement: favour suppliers with robust environmental credentials and local sourcing where practicable; avoid over-ordering and manage stock rotations.
- Training & awareness: brief all staff and subcontractors on this policy, RAMS controls and COSHH; keep toolbox talks for site-specific risks.
- Monitoring & improvement: record significant incidents, near-misses, and waste movements; review performance annually and update objectives accordingly.
- Communication: make this policy available to employees, clients and the public upon request; display on our website when available.



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**Responsibilities.** The Director is accountable for policy implementation, resources and review. All employees and subcontractors must follow this policy, site RAMS, COSHH assessments and client-specific requirements.

**Objectives & KPIs.** We set and review annual environmental objectives (e.g., % water-borne coatings, % compliant waste transfers, reduction in fuel per job, 100% spill-kit carriage). Progress is reviewed at least annually and after significant changes.

Signed (Director):

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Date:

Kenneth Chesworth

10 November 2025