



STATEMENT OF INTENT

RS Duncan recognises its responsibility to carry out its procurement activities in an environmentally and socially responsible manner. In accordance with our Environmental Policy and Procurement strategy we will strive to incorporate environmental and social consideration into our product and services selection process. We recognise that it is our responsibility to encourage our suppliers and contractors to minimise negative environmental and social effects associated with the products and services they provide. We will also strive to ensure that the local and small suppliers are not discriminated against in the procurement process and specifications.

Specifically we aim to:

- Encourage all purchasers to review their consumption of goods and services in order to reduce usage where possible and develop business cases based on sustainable principles.
- Give preference to products and services that can be manufactured, used and disposed of in an environmentally and socially responsible way.
- Ensure that sustainability criteria are included in specifications to suppliers
- Ensure that sustainability criteria are used in the award of contracts
- Consider whole life costs when assessing product suitability and award of contracts
- Enhance employee awareness of relevant environmental and social effects of purchases through appropriate training exercised.
- Provide guidance and relevant product information to staff members to allow them to select sustainable products and services.
- Work with existing and potential suppliers to investigate and introduce environmentally friendly processes and products
- Ensure that suppliers' environmental credentials are considered in the supplier appraisal process
- Ensure non-discrimination against local and small suppliers.

To allow us to meet our aims we will:

- Develop clear objectives and tools, with our employees, to minimise the environmental and social effects associated with the products and services we purchase.
- Identify the mechanisms that we intend to use to incorporate environmental and social factors into our procurement process.
- Develop a process to measure our process.
- Clearly specify the role that buyers will play in the identification and selection of sustainable products and services.
- Identify and implement necessary changes to the procurement process specifications to ensure non-discrimination against local and small suppliers.

This policy document explains in broad terms, what everyone within RSD to achieve the objectives must do. The aim is to provide a sound basis for the co-operation between management, employees, and suppliers is intended to encourage continuous improvement of our Health, Safety, Environmental and Procurement performance.

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