

1.0 Document Purpose

This document determines the internal and external issues which are relevant to the purpose and strategic direction of the organisation and which affect its ability to achieve the intended results of its Environmental Management System (EMS).

2.0 Scope

This document applies to the Gestamp Washington UK Plant.

3.0 Associated Information

GUKBMS_Policy 50	Document	Policy 50 – Context of the Organisation
2019.1	Policy	UK Group Environmental Policy
EMF002	Register	Environmental Risks/Aspects
UKGF 014	Form	Level 1 – Environmental Strategy
UKGF 015	Form	Level 2 – Environmental Objectives

4.0 Definitions

SWOT Analysis

A tool to analyse the internal and external factors that can affect the business:

S	Strengths
W	Weaknesses
O	Opportunities
T	Threats

Interested Parties

Stakeholder, person or organisation that can be affected by, or perceive itself to be affected by a decision or activity which may affect the organisation's ability to achieve the intended outcome(s) of its management system.

Environmental Risk/Aspects

Element of Gestamp Washington UK's activities, products or services that can interact with the environment.

Environmental Impact

Any change to the environment, adverse or beneficial, wholly or partly resulting from Gestamp Washington UK's activities, products or services.

5.0 Normative References

The relationship between this document and the ISO 14001:2015 Standard are shown here:

Standard	Clause	
ISO 14001	4.1	Understanding the organisation and its context
ISO 14001	4.3	Determining the scope of the environmental management system
ISO 14001	4.4	Environmental management system.
ISO 14001	6.1	Actions to address risks and opportunities
ISO 14001	6.1.2	Environmental aspects
ISO 14001	6.2	Environmental objectives and planning to achieve them

6.1 Gestamp UK Region

The UK Region consists of 6 manufacturing plants: Newton Aycliffe, Cannock, Fareham, Llanelli, Washington and West Midlands.

The plants are committed to achieving world-class supply of quality pressings, fabricated assemblies and modules to the global automotive market and associated industries.

We specialise in product development with innovative designs to achieve increasingly safer and more lightweight vehicles, which therefore are better with regard to energy consumption and environmental impact.

The Gestamp Vision “to be the most renowned automotive supplier for our ability to adapt our business to create value for the customer, while maintaining sustainable economic and social development” is the driver for our internal Mission and Objectives.

Our Mission “to create a safe and positive environment where our people are motivated and driven to design, develop and deliver quality products and service that exceed, as well as adapt, to our customer expectations whilst delivering sustainable profit” is embedded within our core pillars, known as “The Six Pillars”: Safety, Quality, Delivery, People, Cost and Environment.

To achieve our goals we must: maintain a competitive edge by providing a high quality, on time product from a low cost base; pursue a cost-effective improvement programme with emphasis on zero defects; develop the maximum potential of each and every employee through identifying training needs and providing such training to meet the needs of our business; invest in cost effective advanced technology; encourage teamwork within the Gestamp organisation and between our customers and suppliers; continually improve the Quality and Environmental Management Systems to achieve best Quality, Cost, Delivery and Service.



6.2 Scope of the Washington Environmental Management System



A manufacturing facility, covering a surface area of 39,400m² which supplies mechanical assemblies, sub-assemblies and welded assemblies. Metal components are spot, mig and projection welded together for use within the automotive industry. Painted service parts and pressed steel components are delivered directly to the Washington site for processing. Transportation is incorporated into the dispatch of the final product to the customer; however exceptions do occur whereby special transportation is required in order to meet customer requirements.

6.3 Understanding the needs and expectations of interested parties

Gestamp Washington UK has identified the internal and external stakeholders relevant to the Environmental Management System in order to establish their needs and expectations (i.e. requirements) and which of these requirements are our compliance obligations. The needs and expectations are reviewed annually.

6.4 Communication with interested Parties

A copy of the needs and expectations document as well as supporting documentation i.e. the UK Group Environmental Policy can be made available to all interested parties, upon request.

6.5 Understanding the context of the organisation

In order to determine both internal and external issues which are relevant to the purpose of the EMS and affect its ability to achieve its intended outcomes, a SWOT analysis is conducted. The results of the SWOT are analysed and where relevant are cascaded into the Plant's Risk/Aspects Register, 20:20 Vision, KPIs and Objectives.

6.6 Actions to address risks and opportunities

For the purpose of documenting a clear and comprehensive environmental risk assessment, an Environmental Risks/Aspects Register (EMF002) is maintained, which is divided into three parts:

1. Identification of the risk/aspect
2. Assessment of the risk /aspect
3. The level of controls applied

The scores of each of these elements are added together to produce a "level of significance" pre control i.e. the level of significance score prior to any control measures being applied.

Risks/aspects which result in a high score are deemed to be significant. Significant risks/aspects are considered for improvement through effective operational control, prescribed processes and/or the development of objectives and targets.

Gestamp Washington UK's significant aspects are:



Discharge to Water – water (which may contain excessive contaminants) which is discharged as a result from acid etch, the cooling tower and the oil/water separator.



Use of Energy – electricity and gas used for heating, lighting and powering equipment.



Generation of Waste – hazardous and non-hazardous waste which result from our direct and indirect activities.

6.7 Environmental Objectives - Planning

Gestamp Washington UK has established environmental objectives which take into account our risks, significant environmental aspects and associated compliance obligations.

The objectives are:

- Consistent with the UK Group Environmental Policy
- Measurable
- Monitored
- Communicated
- Updated.

When planning the necessary actions in order to achieve the environmental objectives, Gestamp Washington UK:

- Will determine what will be done
- What resource will be required
- Who will be responsible
- When the actions will be completed
- How the results will be evaluated, including indicators for monitoring progress towards achievement.

Gestamp Washington UK's objectives are summarised as follows:

- Energy reduction.
- Fulfilment of compliance obligations.
- Reduction of waste production.
- Development and mentoring of our people in order to demonstrate the highest standards of environmental professionalism.
- To maintain a strong partnership with our neighbours.