



## Orion Rail Construction Policy Statements

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### 20 Fuel & Tyres Policy

The purpose of this policy is to ensure all drivers exercise consideration to the business, the communities we operate in and the environment by driving to ensure the best use of fuel and tyres.

This policy applies to all company drivers as part of the Health & Safety Policy and aims to avoid unnecessary fuel and tyre use by correctly using the company's vehicles in accordance with the highway code and the Road Traffic Act, by driving safely and economically and ensuring that all tyre pressures and conditions are kept in accordance with Road Traffic law and the manufacturer's instructions

It is also part of the company policy to see that all vehicles are kept in a clean condition at all times so as to reduce unnecessary drag on the vehicles and reduce fuel use with consideration to the environment.

Orion Rail Construction takes all reasonable steps to prevent serious incidents occurring. A number of control measures have been identified and are communicated as part of this policy. The company expects these measures to be adhered to and will take appropriate action against drivers who fail to do so.

The key objectives of the Tyre and Fuel Policy are to:

- To promote a culture of safety and exercise a 'Duty of Care'
- To ensure all vehicles tyres are maintained to appropriate level required by the law
- To ensure all drivers, drive safely and economically so as to reduce fuel costs and the impact to the environment
- Avoid financial and reputational risks
- Maintain the Company's accreditations for safety

The risks identified and measures to reduce them will be monitored and reviewed periodically to ensure maximum effectiveness.

**Senior Fleet Management is to:**

- To publish the Fuel and Tyre Policy and ensure it is effectively communicated to all managerial and driving staff.
- Ensure company vehicles used in connection with our business are fit and serviceable for the public highway.
- Ensure that vehicles are used in a fuel-efficient way by use of monitoring fuel consumption.
- Ensure that management and supervisory staff are resourced, trained and empowered to ensure the duties outlined in this policy are adhered to.
- Ensure the company's Health & Safety obligations are met.

**Line Management must ensure that:**

- They are conversant with all procedures and documentation referred to in this policy and that the policy is fully implemented.
- All drivers are aware of their duties and responsibilities under this policy.
- Take appropriate action if any driver falls short of their duties and responsibilities under this policy.
- Provide professionally trained staff/contractors to carry out tyre pressure checks and replacement of defective tyres and undertake their responsibilities under the Health & Safety Legislation
- Ensure all Drivers are trained in efficient fuel use and tyre condition checks



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**Driving Staff must ensure that they:**

- Complete a daily visual walk around check and ensure that it is recorded on the appropriate paperwork
- Ensure company vehicles are kept clean at all times
- Ensure that the vehicles are compliant with the law.
- Ensure that a vehicle is not taken on to the road that is not road worthy.
- Drive in an efficient and effective way to minimise fuel use and emissions.
- Plan journeys to avoid cycle commuter routes at peak times
- Abide by H&S regulations and not attempt to change defective tyres or check tyre pressures.
- Read, know, understand and apply the Highway Code
- Report any infraction to the Senior Management

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