Application for an environmental permit
Part B2 – General – new bespoke permit

Environment Agency

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Fill in this part of the form together with parts A and F1 if you are applying for a new bespoke permit. You also need to fill in part B2.5, B3, B4, B5, B6, or B7 (this depends on what activities you are applying for).

Please check that this is the latest version of the form available from our website.

Please read through this form and the accompanying Part B2 guidance notes(see **https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/1102174/Guidance-app-for-an-environmental-permit-part-b2-general-new-bespoke-permit.pdf**).

The form can be:

1) saved onto a computer and then filled in.

2) printed off and filled in by hand. Please write clearly in the answer spaces

It should take less than two hours to fill in this part of the application form.

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1 About the permit

1a Discussions before your application

If you have had discussions with us before your application, including having requested to submit your application in stages, give us the permit reference or details on a separate sheet. Tell us below the reference you have given this extra sheet(s).

Permit or document reference

EPR/GP3825ML/P001

1 About the permit, continued

1b Is the permit for a site or for mobile plant?

☐ Mobile plant Now go to **question 1c**

☑ Site Now go to **section 2**

Note: The term 'mobile plant' does not include mobile sheep dipping units.

Mobile plant only

1c Have we told you during pre-application discussions that we believe that a mobile permit is suitable for your activity?

☐ No

☐ Yes

1d Have there been any changes to your proposal since this discussion?

☐ No Now go to **section 3**

☐ Yes You should send us a description of the activity you want to carry out, highlighting the changes you have made since our pre-application discussions

Document reference

Now go to **section 3**

2 About the site (excludes mobile plant)

2a What is the site name, address, postcode and national grid reference?

Site name

Devon Anaerobic Digestion Plant

Address

Hide Market Road
Willand
Devon

Postcode

EX15 2FP

National grid reference for the middle of the site, or for water quality/groundwater activities, the discharge point (for example, ST 12345 67890).

ST 02980 11201

2 About the site (excludes mobile plant), continued

2b What type of regulated facility are you applying for?

Note: if you are applying for more than one regulated facility then go to 2c.

- [x] Installation
- [ ] Waste operation
- [ ] Mining waste operation
- [ ] Water discharge activity
- [ ] Groundwater activity (point source)
- [ ] Groundwater activity (discharge onto land)

What is the national grid reference for the regulated facility (if only one)?
(**See the guidance notes on part B2**.)

- [x] As in 2a above
- [ ] Different from that in 2a Please fill in the national grid reference below

National grid reference for the regulated facility

Now go to **question 2d**

2c If you are applying for more than one regulated facility on your site, what are their types and their grid references?

See the guidance notes on part B2.

Regulated facility 1

National grid reference

What is the regulated facility type?

- [ ] Installation
- [ ] Waste operation
- [ ] Mining waste operation
- [ ] Water discharge activity
- [ ] Groundwater activity (point source)
- [ ] Groundwater activity (discharge onto land)

2 About the site (excludes mobile plant), continued

Regulated facility 2

National grid reference

What is the regulated facility type?

- ☐ Installation
- ☐ Waste operation
- ☐ Mining waste operation
- ☐ Water discharge activity
- ☐ Groundwater activity (point source)
- ☐ Groundwater activity (discharge onto land)

Use several copies of this page or separate sheets if you have a long list of regulated facilities. Send them to us with your application form. Tell us below the reference you have given these extra sheets.

Document reference

Now go to **question 2d**

2d Low impact installations (installations only)

Are any of the regulated facilities low impact installations?

- ☑ No
- ☐ Yes If yes, tell us how you meet the conditions for a low impact installation (**see the guidance notes on part B2** – Appendix 1).

Document reference

- ☐ Tick the box to confirm you have filled in the low impact installation checklist in **appendix 1** for each regulated facility

2e Treating batteries

Are you planning to treat batteries? (**See the guidance notes on part B2**.)

- ☑ No
- ☐ Yes Tell us how you will do this, send us a copy of your explanation and tell us below the reference you have given this explanation

Document reference for the explanation

2 About the site (excludes mobile plant), continued

2f Ship recycling

Is your activity covered by the Ship Recycling Regulations 2015? (**See the guidance notes on part B2**.)

☑ No

☐ Yes Tell us how you will do this. Please send us a copy of your explanation and your facility recycling plan, and tell us below the reference numbers you have given these documents

Document reference for the explanation

Document reference for the facility recycling plan

2g Multi-operator installation

If the site is a multi-operator site (that is there is more than one operator of the installation) then fill in the table below the application reference for each of the other permits.

Table 1 – Other permit application references

3 Your ability as an operator

If you are only applying for a standalone water discharge or for a groundwater activity, you only have to fill in **question 3d**.

3a Relevant offences

Applies to all except standalone surface water discharges and groundwater discharges (**see the guidance notes on part B2**).

Have you, or any other relevant person, been convicted of any relevant offence? (see https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/relevant-conviction-guidance-for-permit-applications-for-waste-activities-and-installations-only)

☑ No Now go to **question 3b**

☐ Yes Please give details below

3 Your ability as an operator, continued

Name of the relevant person

Title (Mr, Mrs, Miss and so on)

First name

Last name

Position held at the time of the offence

Name of the court where the case was dealt with

Date of the conviction (DD/MM/YYYY)

Offence and penalty set

Date any appeal against the conviction will be heard (DD/MM/YYYY)

If necessary, use a separate sheet to give us details of other relevant offences and tell us below the reference number you have given the extra sheet.

Now go to **question 3b**

Please also complete the details in **Appendix 2**.

3b Technical ability

Relevant waste operations only (see the guidance notes on part B2).

Please indicate which of the two schemes you are using to demonstrate you are technically competent to operate your facility and the evidence you have enclosed to demonstrate this.

ESA/EU skills

Please select one of the following:

☐ I have enclosed a copy of the current Competence Management System certificate

or

☐ We will have a certified Competence Management System within 12 months and have enclosed evidence of the contract with an accredited certification body

3 Your ability as an operator, continued

CIWM/WAMITAB scheme

Your answers below must relate to the person(s) providing technically competent management when the permitted activities start.

Please select **one** of the following:

- I have enclosed a copy of:

  ☑ the relevant qualification certificate/s

  or

  ☐ evidence of deemed competence

  or

  ☐ Environment Agency assessment

  or

  ☐ evidence of nominated manager status under the transitional provisions for previously exempt activities

  and, if deemed competent or Agency-assessed, or nominated manager, or if the original qualification is over two years old:

  ☑ I have enclosed a copy of the relevant current continuing competence certificate/s

- ☐ The technically competent manager will complete their qualification within four weeks of starting the permitted activities and I have enclosed evidence of their registration with WAMITAB or their EPOC booking as appropriate

- **For medium- and high-risk tier activities other than landfill**

  ☐ The technically competent manager will complete the qualification within 12 months and I have enclosed evidence of their registration with WAMITAB and, where relevant, EPOC booking. I understand they must complete either four specified units of the relevant qualification or an EPOC within four weeks of the permitted activities commencing

For each technically competent manager please give the following information. If necessary, use a separate sheet to give us these details and tell us below the document reference you have given the extra sheet.

Title (Mr, Mrs, Miss and so on)

Mr

First name

Greg

Last name

Palmer

Phone

07887 403 194

Mobile

07887 403 194

Email

greg.palmer@acornbioenergy.com

3 Your ability as an operator, continued

Please provide the environmental permit number/s and site address for all other waste operations, (**see part B2 guidance notes**), that the proposed technically competent manager provides technical competence for, including permits held by other operators. Continue on a separate sheet as required.

Permit number	Site address	Postcode
Not applicable		

Document reference

Now go to **question 3c**

Please also complete the details in **Appendix 2**.

3c Finances

Installations, waste operations and mining waste operations only.

Please note that if you knowingly or carelessly make a statement that is false or misleading to help you get an environmental permit (for yourself or anyone else), you may be committing an offence under the Environmental Permitting (England and Wales) Regulations 2016.

Do you, or any relevant person, or a company in which you (or they) (or any relevant person) were a relevant person, have current or past bankruptcy or insolvency proceedings against you?

☑ No

☐ Yes Please give details below, including the required set-up costs (including infrastructure), maintenance and clean up costs for the proposed facility against which a credit check may be assessed

We may want to contact a credit reference agency for a report about your business's finances.

See **Environmental permits privacy notice - GOV.UK (www.gov.uk)** for how we use your personal information to support environmental permitting.

3 Your ability as an operator, continued

Landfill, Category A mining waste facilities and mining waste facilities for hazardous waste only

How do you plan to make financial provision (to operate a landfill or a mining waste facility you need to show us that you are financially capable of meeting the obligations of closure and aftercare)?

- ☐ Renewable bonds
- ☐ Cash deposits with the Environment Agency
- ☐ Other – provide comprehensive details

Document reference

Provide a cost profile and expenditure plan of your estimated costs throughout the aftercare period of your site.

Document plan reference

Now go to **question 3d**

3d Management systems (all)

You must have an effective, written management system in place that identifies and reduces the risk of pollution. You may show this by using a certified scheme or your own system.

Your permit requires you (as the operator) to ensure that you manage and operate your activities in accordance with a written management system.

You need to be able to explain what happens at each site and which parts of the overall management system apply. For example, at some sites you may need to show you are carrying out additional measures to prevent pollution because they are nearer to sensitive locations than others.

For waste and installation permits only: your management system must also explain your resilience to climate change.

You can find guidance on management systems on our website at **https://www.gov.uk/guidance/develop-a-management-system-environmental-permits**

- ☑ **Tick this box to confirm that you have read the guidance and that your management system will meet our requirements**

What management system will you provide for your regulated facility?

- ☐ ISO 14001
- ☐ BS 8555 (Phases 1–5)
- ☐ BS EN ISO 14005:2019
- ☐ Green dragon
- ☑ Own management system
- ☐ EMAS Global
- ☐ Other

Please send us a summary of the management system you are using and a copy of your accreditation (if applicable) with your application.

Document reference/s

ACD 014b - Environmental management system

4 Consultation

Fill in 4a to 4c for installations and waste operations and 4d for installations only.

Could the waste operation or installation involve releasing any substance into any of the following?

4a A sewer managed by a sewerage undertaker?

☑ No

☐ Yes Please name the sewerage undertaker

4b A harbour managed by a harbour authority?

☑ No

☐ Yes Please name the harbour authority

4c Directly into relevant territorial waters or coastal waters within the sea fisheries district of a local fisheries committee?

☑ No

☐ Yes Please name the fisheries committee

4d Is the installation on a site for which:

4d1 a nuclear site licence is needed under section 1 of the Nuclear Installations Act 1965?

☑ No

☐ Yes

4d2 a policy document for preventing major accidents is needed under regulation 5 of the Control of Major Accident Hazards Regulations 2015, or a safety report is needed under regulation 7 of those Regulations?

☐ No

☑ Yes

5 Supporting information

5a Provide a plan or plans for the site

But not any mobile plant

Clearly mark the site boundary or discharge point, or both. The site plan must be legible at A4 size, drawn to scale and include a scale bar.

5 Supporting information, continued

Also include site drainage plans, site layout plans, and plant design drawings/process flow diagrams (as required). (**See the guidance notes on part B2**.)

Document reference/s of the plans

Site Layout and Permit Plan

5b Provide the relevant sections of a site condition/baseline report if this applies

See the guidance notes on part B2

Document reference of the report

ETL981_DGPL_ SCR_V1.0

☑ If you are applying for an installation, tick the box to confirm that you have sent in a baseline report

5c Provide a non-technical summary of your application

See the guidance notes on part B2 for what needs to be included.

Document reference of the summary

ETL981_DGPL_ NTS_V1.0

5d Are you applying for an activity that includes the storage of combustible wastes?

This applies to all activities excluding standalone water and groundwater discharges.

☑ No

☐ Yes Provide a fire prevention plan (**see the guidance notes on part B2**).

Document reference of the plan

6 Environmental risk assessment

Provide an assessment of the risks each of your proposed regulated facilities poses to the environment. The risk assessment must follow the methodology set out in 'Risk assessments for your environmental permit' at **Risk assessments for your environmental permit – GOV.UK (www.gov.uk)** or an equivalent method.

For air dispersion modelling see: **Environmental permitting: air dispersion modelling reports – GOV.UK (www.gov.uk)**

Document reference(s) for the assessments, including modelling reports and files where applicable

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7 How to contact us

If you have difficulty using this form, please contact the person who sent it to you or contact us as shown below.

General enquiries: 03708 506 506 (Monday to Friday, 8am to 6pm)

Textphone: 03702 422 549 (Monday to Friday, 8am to 6pm)

Email: **enquiries@environment-agency.gov.uk**

7 How to contact us, continued

Website: **www.gov.uk/government/organisations/environment-agency**

If you are happy with our service, please tell us. It helps us to identify good practice and encourages our staff. If you're not happy with our service, please tell us how we can improve it.

Please tell us if you need information in a different language or format (for example, in large print) so we can keep in touch with you more easily.

Feedback

(You don't have to answer this part of the form, but it will help us improve our forms if you do.)

We want to make our forms easy to fill in and our guidance notes easy to understand. Please use the space below to give us any comments you may have about this form or the guidance notes that came with it.

How long did it take you to fill in this form?

We will use your feedback to improve our forms and guidance notes, and to tell the Government how regulations could be made simpler.

Would you like a reply to your feedback?

☐ Yes please

☐ No thank you

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Date received (DD/MM/YYYY)

Our reference number

Payment received?

☐ No

☐ Yes

Amount received (£)

Appendix 1 – Low impact installation checklist

Low impact installation criterion (see the Part B2 guidance notes)	Section of supporting document that shows how your proposed activity meets the LII criterion	Do you meet LII criterion?
A – Management techniques		☐ Yes ☐ No
B – Wastewater		☐ Yes ☐ No
C – Abatement systems/ releases to air		☐ Yes ☐ No
D – Emissions to groundwater		☐ Yes ☐ No
E – Waste production		☐ Yes ☐ No
F – Energy consumption		☐ Yes ☐ No
G – Accident prevention		☐ Yes ☐ No
H – Noise		☐ Yes ☐ No
I – Emissions of polluting substances		☐ Yes ☐ No
J – Odours		☐ Yes ☐ No
K – Compliance history		☐ Yes ☐ No

If you answered 'No' to any of the questions above, your installation cannot be considered as a low impact installation.

Appendix 2 – Date of birth information for Relevant offences and/or Technical ability questions only

Date of birth information in this appendix will not be put onto our Public Register. Continue on a separate sheet if necessary

1. Relevant Offences – date of birth information for relevant persons(s)

Please give us the following details if you have answered 'Yes' to question 3a

Name

Date of birth (DD/MM/YYYY)

2. Technical ability – date of birth information for technically competent manager(s)

Please give us the following details (relevant waste operations only)

Name

Greg Palmer

Date of birth (DD/MM/YYYY)

[redacted]