



**ENVIRONMENTAL COMPLIANCE FOR WORK DONE ON TRANSMISSION SITES BY CONTRACTORS**

Eskom Transmission is ISO14001 certified and for this purpose needs to control its activities or the activities of Contractors working for Eskom Transmission in such a way that continual improvement in environmental management is sustained. The following criteria needs to be complied with by any Contractor performing work on Eskom Transmission property or servitude.

**1. MATERIAL REQUIREMENT**

The use of any material or property belonging to the Landowner is to be by prior arrangement with the applicable Landowner only and recorded in writing. Proof of such agreement to be handed to project leader / co-ordinator for record keeping.

**2. SANITATION**

The siting of latrines must be undertaken in consultation with the Landowner. The latrine must be sited taking into account the possibility of the prevailing wind unfavourably dispersing unpleasant odours and possible water pollution. No defecation in the veld is allowed. Use chemical toilets at all times, unless otherwise agreed.

**3. FIRE HAZARD**

The Contractor shall ensure that staff are educated in fire prevention and will be held responsible to avoid the risk of fire. No area is to be of vegetation to create firebreaks, to prevent or make fires. No open fires are allowed on site. Ensure compliance with statutory requirements.

**4. CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITY / CAMP SITES**

Construction batching plants and residence sites or any other plant are only to be located in consultation with the Eskom environmental advisor/project leader and Landowner.

Contractors are not permitted to erect campsites on any Eskom property or servitude area without prior written arrangements with the Landowner and project leader / environmental advisor. Contractors to ensure that their activities are managed as to not create negative impacts on the environment (land, water, air, vegetation etc).

**5. DUST AND NOISE**

The Contractor to ensure no nuisance is caused to the Landowner, his land occupants and / or his facilities. The Contractor shall monitor dust and noise caused by mobile equipment, generators and other equipment during construction. Factors such as wind can often affect the intensity to

	which these impacts are experienced.							
	Mitigation measures to be implemented as required / agreed upon with the project leader / environmental advisor.							
<b>6. ACCESS ROUTES</b>								
	Follow the access road as demarcated, or indicated by the Landowner and Eskom. Tracks may not criss-cross the veld compacting soil and destroying vegetation. Special precautions are to be undertaken to avoid wet areas. Obtain Landowners permission before entering his property.							
	Ensure all Eskom gates are locked and leave property owners gate closed unless written agreement to leave as is (open or closed position).							
	Drive at moderate speeds.							
<b>7. SPILLAGE OF HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCES</b>								
	No diesel, oil or any other hazardous chemicals, cement, building waste, etc. to be spilt or left on the ground. Where spilt, the responsible Contractor must apply the necessary bio-remediants (as agreed with the environmental advisor) to clean up and rehabilitate the affected area.							
	All incidents to be reported to the project leader and / or environmental advisor within 24 hours. Spills not attended to will be cleaned by the region at the of the polluter.							
<b>8. WASTE</b>								
	No waste, whether it be biodegradable or not, is to be left on site once construction has ended. Domestic and hazardous waste generated will not be burned, buried, or disposed of on Eskom or other Landowners' property but will be controlled and removed to a registered waste site on a regular basis. (Daily / Weekly). Keep record of disposal.							
	Contractors to ensure sufficient waste bins / containers are made available for waste control.							
<b>9. LANDOWNERS COMMENTS</b>								
	Negative comments by the Landowner must be recorded and feedback given to the project leader and / or environmental advisor within 24 hours.							
<b>10. WILDLIFE AND FISH</b>								
	The illegal transporting, handling, purchasing and selling, poaching and killing of wildlife and fish will not be tolerated. Offenders will be prosecuted.							
<b>11. INTERACTION OF STAFF</b>								
	Wherever possible local unskilled labour should be employed. Interaction between construction staff and local farm labourers is to be minimised to avoid incidents.							

<b>12. ENVIRONMENTAL INCIDENTS</b>									
	All environmental incidents such as pollution, bird kills, animals killed, plants destroyed, public complaints etc. to be reported to project leader and / or environmental advisor.								
	The Contractor will be held liable for any infringement of statutory requirements of the Environmental Conservation Act, No 73 of 1989, or any other act of parliament.								
<b>13. VEGETATION</b>									
	No protected or endangered plants and trees may be removed or damaged in any way. The necessary permission to be obtained should it be necessary to cut or remove any protected or endangered plant or tree.								
	It is essential that construction staff be educated in endangered plants and trees.								
	No trees or plants or parts thereof may be removed for personal use.								
	Before any tree or plant is cut the Landowner needs to be informed.								
<b>14. ARCHAEOLOGICAL SITES</b>									
	Sites and areas of archaeological and cultural significance should be identified on sites and demarcated prior to commencing work. It must be reported to the project leader and or environmental advisor, and not be tampered with until an archaeologist has visited the site and a permit from the South African Heritage Resources Agency (SAHRA) has been received.								
	Graves are not to be interfere Retain a respectful distance of 10 meters from these sites when working or driving past.								
	Supervisors to ensure that the location of these sites are indicated to their employees.								
<b>15. HERBICIDES USAGE</b>									
	The application of herbicide Only approved and tested herbicides with a low environmental risk shall be used.								
	Only registered pest control operators may apply herbicides on a commercial basis. All staff applying herbicides to be trained in the application of herbicides.								
	Herbicide register for usage to be compiled and maintained, and a copy handed to the project leader / environmental advisor on completion of the								

