



**POLLUTION PREVENTION AND CONTROL ACT 1999
ENVIRONMENTAL PERMITTING (ENGLAND AND WALES) REGULATIONS 2016**

Permit Number: 3.1/092540/CP2

**Installation Address:
Amber Precast Limited
Prince of Wales Road
Darnall
Sheffield
S9 4EX**

In accordance with Regulation 13 of the Environmental Permitting (England and Wales) Regulations 2016. Amber Precast Limited is hereby permitted to operate a scheduled activity at the address detailed above, namely blending cement in bulk or using cement in bulk other than at a construction site, including the bagging of cement and cement and mixtures, the batching of ready-mixed concrete as described in Schedule 1, Part 2, Chapter 3, Section 3.1, Part B, subsection (b) and subject to the following conditions of this Permit.

Signed

Dated this day: 19th October 2018

**Commercial Team Manager
Authorised by Sheffield City Council to sign on their behalf**

The Secretary of States Guidance PG 3/1(12) Blending, Packing, Loading and Use of Bulk Cement has provided the framework for the conditions in this Permit.

Name & Address of Operator:

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Talking to Us

Any communication with Sheffield City Council should be made to the following address quoting the Permit Number:

**Environmental Protection Service
Sheffield City Council
5th Floor (North)
Howden House
1 Union Street
S1 2SH**

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Explanatory Note to Pollution Prevention and Control Permit for Part B Installations
(This note does not form a part of the Permit)

The following Permit is issued under Regulation 13 of the Environmental Permitting (England and Wales) Regulations 2016, (“the EP Regulations”) to operate an installation carrying out activities covered by the description in section 3, Chapter 3 of Schedule 1 of those Regulations, to the extent authorised by the Permit:

Process Changes

As part of your Permit you are required to notify the Council of any proposed change in operation at least 14 days before making the change. This must be in writing and must contain a full description of the proposed change in operation and the likely consequences. Failure to do so is an offence.

If you consider that a proposed change could result in the breach of the existing Permit conditions or is likely to require the variation of Permit conditions then you may apply in writing under Regulation 20(1) of the EP Regulations. Additionally, if this involves a SUBSTANTIAL CHANGE to the installation you will be required to submit an application, pay the relevant fee and advertise the application accordingly. You may serve a Notice on the Council requesting that they determine whether any change that is proposed would constitute a substantial change before you proceed with application.

Variations to the Permit

The Permit may be varied in the future (by the Council serving a Variation Notice on the Operator). If the Operator itself wants any of the Conditions of the Permit to be changed, a formal Application must be submitted.

Surrender of the Permit

Where the operator of a Part B installation or mobile plant ceases or intends to cease the operation of the activity the operator may notify the regulator of the surrender of the whole Permit, in any other case, notify the regulator of the surrender of the Permit in so far as it authorises the operation of the installation or mobile plant which he/she has ceased or intends to cease operating. The notification shall contain information as described in Regulation 24 or 25 of the EP Regulations.

Transfer of the Permit or Part of the Permit

Before the Permit can be wholly or partially transferred to another person, a joint application to transfer the Permit has to be made by both the existing and proposed holders, in accordance with Regulation 21 of the EP Regulations. A transfer will be allowed unless Sheffield City Council considers that the proposed holder will not be the person who will have control over the operation of the installation or will not ensure compliance with the conditions of the transferred Permit.

Annual Subsistence Fee

In accordance with Regulation 66 of the EP Regulations, the holder of a Permit is required to pay a fee for the subsistence of the Permit. This fee is payable annually on 1st April. You are advised that under the provisions of Regulation 66 of the EP Regulations, if you fail to pay the fee due promptly, Sheffield City Council may revoke the Permit. You will be contacted separately each year in respect to this payment.

Public Register

The Council is required by Regulation 46 of the EP Regulations to maintain a Public Register containing information on all LAPPC installations and mobile plant. The register is available for inspection by appointment by the public free of charge during office hours (Monday to Friday 9.00 am to 5.00 pm) at the following address:

Environmental Protection Service
Sheffield City Council
Howden House
5th Floor (North)
1 Union Street
Sheffield
S1 2SH

Tel: 0114 273 4651

Confidentiality

Sheffield City Council has a duty to consider the question of confidentiality of information supplied to it. If any information supplied is considered confidential, a statement of which information this applies to and the reasons why it is considered confidential should be specified. The Operator is reminded that he may apply to Sheffield City Council for the exclusion of information from the public register under the provisions of the Environmental Permitting (England and Wales) Regulations 2016 (S.I. 1154).

Appeals

Under Regulation 31 of the EP Regulations operators have the right of appeal against the conditions attached to their Permit. Schedule 6 of the EP Regulations sets out the detailed procedures.

Appeals against a Variation Notice do not have the effect of suspending the operation of the Notice. Appeals do not have the effect of suspending Permit conditions.

Notice of appeal against the conditions attached to the Permit must be given within six months of the date of the Notice, which is the subject matter of the appeal.

How to Appeal

There are no forms or charges for appealing. However, for an appeal to be valid, appellants (the person/operator making the appeal) are legally required to provide:

- Written notice of the appeal;
- A statement of the grounds of appeal;
- A statement indicating whether the appellant wishes the appeal to be dealt with by written representations procedure or a hearing - a hearing must be held if either the appellant or enforcing authority requests this, or if the Planning Inspector or the Secretary of State decides to hold one.
- (Appellants must copy the above three items to the local authority when the appeal is made)
- A copy of any relevant application;
- A copy of any relevant Permit;
- A copy of any relevant correspondence between the appellant and the regulator; and
- A copy of any decision or notice, which is the subject matter of the appeal.

Where to Send Your Appeal Documents

Appeals should be addressed to:

**The Planning Inspectorate
Environmental Appeals Administration
Room 4/19 - Eagle Wing
Temple Quay House
2 The Square
Temple Quay
Bristol BS1 6PN**

In the course of an Appeal process the main parties will be informed of procedural steps by the Planning Inspectorate.

To withdraw an appeal the appellant must notify the Planning Inspectorate in writing and copy the notification to the local authority.

Description of Activities

The site, located in Darnall, as shown by green shading on the plan in Schedule 2 of this Permit, is a production facility for the manufacture of Reinforced Concrete Blocks. The layout is as shown on the plan in Schedule 3 of this Permit.

The permitted activities include the delivery, storage and handling of raw materials, the weighing and mixing of ingredients, the casting of Reinforced Concrete Blocks and the despatch of final products and waste materials. *All activities are to occur within the building.*

Aggregate is stored in designated storage bays. Materials are then moved via front end loaders to a contained conveyor system that transports the material to 5 x 20 tonne storage hoppers. This material is then transported by a separate covered conveyor system to the mixer.

Cement will be supplied via tankers and blown directly into 1 x 60 tonne Storage Silo. The silo is fitted with a Silotop® zero pressure relief valve and a high-level alarm. Cementitious materials are then fed from the silo by a screw conveyor directly to the mixer.

Truecarb (filler) will be supplied via tankers and blown directly into 1 x 60 tonne Storage Silo. The silo is fitted with a Silotop® zero pressure relief valve and a high-level alarm. Cementitious materials are then fed from the silo by a screw conveyor directly to the mixer.

Once the material is mixed the material is discharged from the mixer into the concrete hopper. The hopper is located on tracks so that it can be moved into a position where it can be lifted by the overhead gantry crane so that materials can be transferred into the concrete pump. (Note: a secondary hopper is filled to provide continuous supply to the concrete pump to ensure that it does not run out of material.) The pump is fitted with an indicator which will deactivate the pump if not operating adequately. Material is pumped from beneath into the moulds to ensure constant supply and distribution of material. Filling is manually controlled via two operators. The Reinforced Concrete Blocks have a three-day curing process which within the first 24 hours the mould and Cementitious material will remain in its initial state. After 24 hours the Reinforced Concrete Blocks will be removed from the mould and stored. It continues to cure for a further 48 hours.

Conditions of Permit

You are required to comply with the conditions with immediate effect unless otherwise stated.

Section 1 – Upgrading

1.1 There are no upgrading conditions.

Section 2 – Emissions and Monitoring

2.1 No visible particulate matter shall be emitted beyond the installation boundary.

2.2 The operator shall keep records of inspections, tests and monitoring, including all non-continuous monitoring, inspections and visual assessments. Records shall be:

- Kept on site;
- Kept by the operator for at least two years; and
- Made available for the regulator to examine.

2.3 The emission requirements and methods and frequency of monitoring set out in Table 1, in Schedule 1, shall be complied with. Sampling shall be representative.

2.4 Any monitoring display required for compliance with the Permit shall be visible to operating staff always. Corrective action shall be taken immediately if any periodic monitoring results exceed a limit in table 1, or if there is a malfunction or breakdown of any equipment which might increase emissions. Monitoring shall be undertaken or repeated as soon as possible thereafter, and a brief record shall be kept of the main actions taken.

2.5 All plant and equipment capable of causing, or preventing, emission and all monitoring devices shall be calibrated and maintained in accordance with the manufacturing instructions. Records shall be kept on such maintenance.

Section 3 - Silos

3.1 Bulk cement and cementitious materials shall only be stored inside the 2 x 60 tonne silos.

3.2 Dust emissions from loading or unloading road tankers shall be minimised by venting to a reverse jet filters or back venting to a delivery tanker fitted with

an on-board, truck- mounted relief valve and filtration system and by connecting transfer lines first to the delivery inlet point and then to the tanker discharge point, and by ensuring delivery is at a rate which does not pressurise the silos.

- 3.3 Silos and bulk containers of dusty materials shall not be overfilled and there shall be an overfilling alarm.
- 3.4 Displaced air from pneumatic transfer shall pass through abatement plant prior to emission to air.
- 3.5 Bulk storage tanks and silos containing dry material shall be equipped with audible and/or visible high-level alarm, or volume indicators, to warn of overfilling. The correct operation of such alarm shall be checked in accordance with manufacturer's instructions. If manufacturer's instructions do not specify, then the check shall be weekly or before a delivery takes place, whichever is the longer interval.
- 3.6 If emissions of particulate matter are visible from ducting, pipe work, the pressure relief device or dust arrestment plant during silo filling, the operation shall cease; the cause of the problem shall be rectified prior to further deliveries taking place. Tanker drivers shall be informed of the correct procedure to be followed.
- 3.7 Seating of pressure relief devices on silos shall be checked at least once a week, or before a delivery takes place, which ever is the longer interval.
- 3.8 If it appears that the device has become unseated during silo filling, no further delivery shall take place until corrective action has been taken. The pressure relief device shall be examined to check for defects before being reset and a replacement fitted if necessary. Tanker drivers shall be informed of the correct procedure to follow.

Section 4- Aggregates Delivery and Storage

- 4.1 Dusty materials, including dusty waste, shall only be stored within a 3-sided storage bay and shall be subject to suppression and management techniques to minimise dust emissions.
- 4.2 The Operator shall ensure that the storage bays are never overfilled. Spillages of aggregates outside these areas shall be cleared immediately.
- 4.3 When the capacity of the storage bays is not sufficient to contain materials, excess material shall be stored in appropriate locations and covered with sheets to prevent dust emissions.

Section 5- Belt Conveying

- 5.1 The aggregate feed conveyor shall be totally enclosed to reduce wind whipping of dust.
- 5.2 Conveyors shall be fitted with effective means of keeping the return belt clean and for collecting materials removed by the cleaning operation.

Section 6- Loading, Unloading and Transport

- 6.1 No potential dusty materials (including waste) or finished products shall arrive on or leave the site other than by use of sheeting or water suppression to prevent airborne emissions.
- 6.2 Truck mixers shall be loaded in such a way as to minimise airborne dust emissions, for example by loading with wet pre-mixed materials. If they are loaded with dry minerals, local dust control measures shall be provided.

Section 7- Roadways and Transportation

- 7.1 All areas where there is regular movement of vehicles shall have a consolidated surface capable of being cleaned, and these surfaces shall be kept clean and in good repair.
- 7.2 Vehicles shall not track materials from the site onto the highway.

Section 8- Techniques to Control Fugitive Emissions

- 8.1 The fabric of process buildings shall be maintained to minimise visible dust emissions.

Section 9- Records and Training

- 9.1 Written or computer records of all tests and monitoring shall be kept by the operator for at least **2 years**. They shall be made available for examination by the Regulator. Records shall be kept of operator inspections, including those for visible emissions.
- 9.2 All staff whose functions could impact on air emissions from the activity shall receive appropriate training on hose functions. This shall include:
 - Awareness of their responsibilities under the Permit;
 - Steps that are necessary to minimise emissions during start-up and shutdown;
 - Actions to take when there are abnormal conditions, or accidents or spillages that could, if not controlled, result in emissions.

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- 9.3 The Operator shall maintain a statement of training requirements for each post with the functions detailed in condition 9.2 and keep a record of the training received by each person. These documents shall be made available to the Regulator on request.

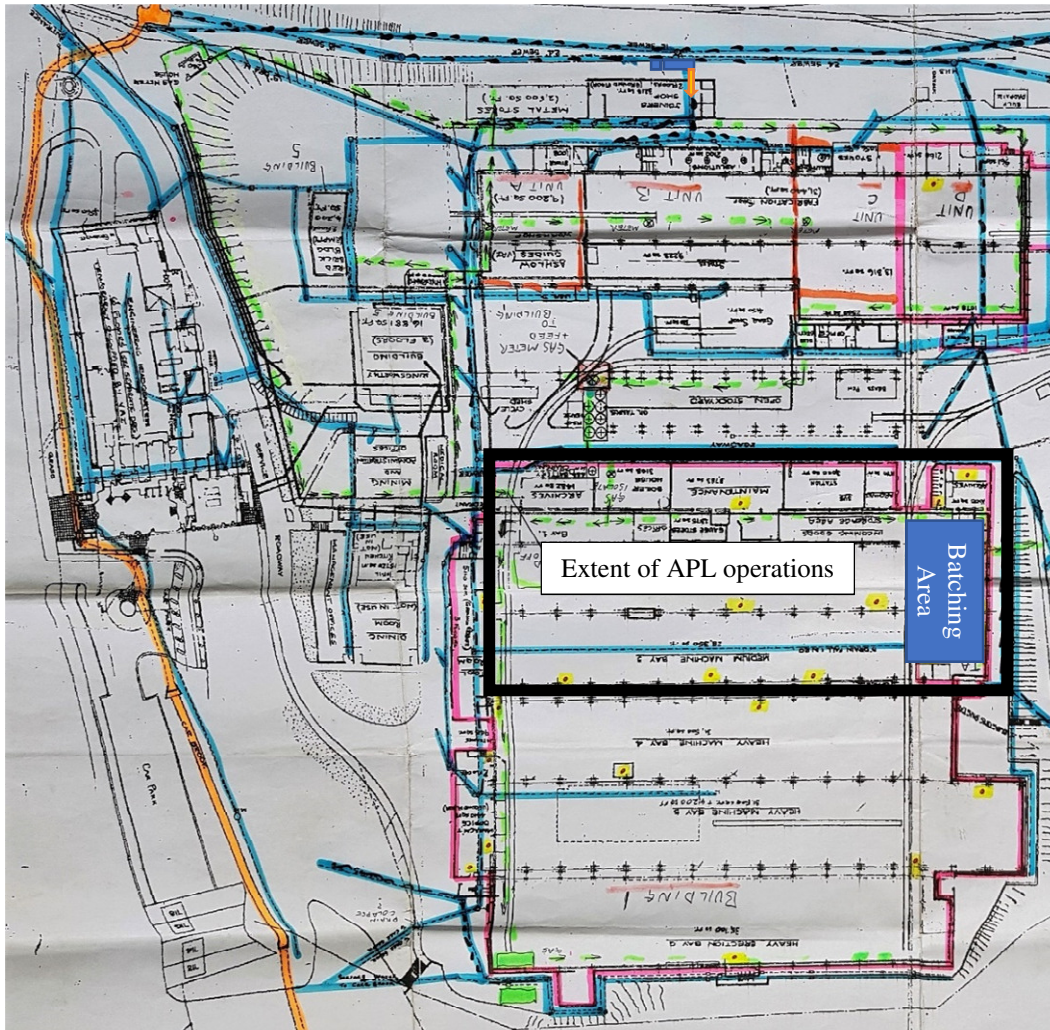
Section 10- Best Available Techniques

- 10.1 The best available techniques shall be used to prevent or, where that is not practicable reduce emission from the installation in relation to any aspect of the operation of the installation which is not regulated by any other condition of this Permit.

Schedule 1- Table 1: Emission limits, Monitoring and related provisions

Table 1 - Emission limits, monitoring and related provisions					
Row	Substance	Source	Emission limits/provisions	Type of monitoring	Monitoring frequency
1	Particulate matter	Whole Process	No visible airborne emission to cross the site boundary where harm or nuisance may be caused	Operator observations	At least daily
		Silo inlets and outlets (<i>for silos new since 1st July 2004</i>)	Designed to emit less than 10mg/m ³	Operator observations	At time of delivery
		Silo inlets and outlets	No visible emission		
		Arrestment equipment, or any point where dust contaminated air is extracted from the process to atmosphere, with exhaust flow >300m ³ /min. (other than silo arrestment plant)	50mg/m ³	Recorded indicative monitoring	Continuous
				*Isokinetic sampling	At least once to demonstrate compliance, then as necessary to provide a reference for the continuous indicative monitor.
		Arrestment equipment, or any point where dust contaminated air is extracted from the process to atmosphere, with exhaust flow >100m ³ /min. (other than silo arrestment plant)	No visible emission Arrestment equipment should be provided with a design guarantee that the equipment can meet 50mg/m ³	Indicative monitoring to demonstrate that the arrestment equipment is functioning correctly	Continuous
Arrestment equipment, or any point where dust contaminated air is extracted from the process to atmosphere, with exhaust flow <100m ³ /min. (other than silo arrestment plant)	No visible emission	Operator observation Or Indicative monitoring	At least daily Or Continuous		
2	Droplets, persistent mist and fume	All emissions to air (except steam and condensed water vapour)	No droplets, no persistent mist, no persistent fume.	Visual observations	*On start-up and on at least two more occasions during the working day*
Only emissions to atmosphere are required to comply with the emission limits within this table.					
Notes:					
All periodic monitoring results shall be checked by the operator on receipt and sent to the Council within 8 weeks of the monitoring being undertaken.					
a) The reference conditions for limits in Table 1 are: 273.1K, 101.3kPa, without correction for water vapour content, unless stated otherwise.					
b) All periodic monitoring shall be representative, and shall use standard methods.					
c) The emission limits do not apply during start-up and shut down. All emissions shall be kept to a minimum during these periods.					

Schedule 2 Installation Boundary/ Site Location Plan



Prince of Wales Road

Schedule 3 Installation Layout

