

MATERIAL HANDLING & HOUSEKEEPING

Poor storage and handling of materials creates waste, which is a loss of resource and is very costly.

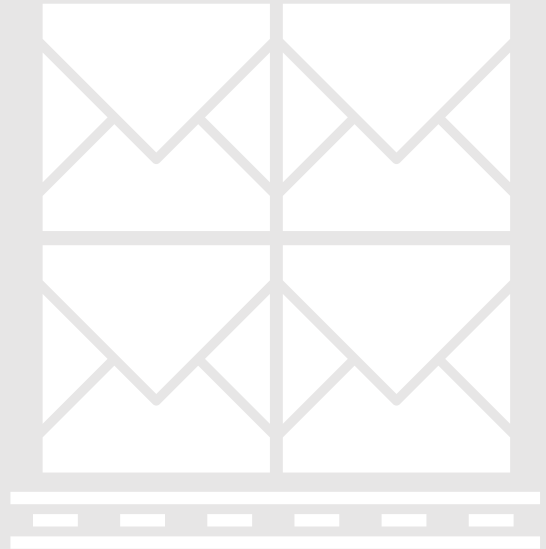
Poorly stored materials increase the risk of pollution incidents. A tidy site is a safe site.

Good housekeeping creates a positive image to the general public.



DO

- ✓ Avoid double handling as much as possible: less effort, less damage, less wastage.
- ✓ Supervise the delivery of materials to ensure correct location and method of storage.
- ✓ Check that a material is fully used prior to starting a new batch.
- ✓ Return to storage any materials that have not been used.
- ✓ Use off-cuts where possible.
- ✓ Re-use formwork as often as practically possible.
- ✓ Designate an area for surplus concrete – it can be crushed and re-used.
- ✓ Pick up litter.



DON'T

- ✗ **DON'T** store or leave unprotected any materials that can be damaged by weather, eg. cement bags.
- ✗ **DON'T** over order materials.
- ✗ **DON'T** put materials in a skip if they still have a use.
- ✗ **DON'T** use new lengths of pipe or cable for short pieces of work. Minimise the need for off-cuts.
- ✗ **DON'T** store together any materials that can contaminate each other.

