

Dust, emissions and odours can annoy neighbours and may cause health risks at very high concentrations, such as eye irritation or making asthma worse.

Dust can damage the ecology of a watercourse and affect plant growth, including crops.

The Local Authority has the power to stop works if dust is causing a nuisance. Emission of dark smoke from plant and fires is illegal.

## DO

- ✓ Keep surfaces swept and damp down with water at regular intervals.
- ✓ Minimise drop heights into haulage vehicles and into conveyors.
- ✓ Ensure cutting and grinding operations are adequately shielded or wetted.
- Sheet lorries carrying dry materials off site.
- ✓ Keep to site speed limits to minimise dust generation.
- ✓ Use the wheel wash, for appropriate vehicles, if one is provided on site.
- Store fine, dry materials within buildings or provide adequate protection from the wind.
- Store bulk cement and bentonite in silos.
- ✓ Position silos and stockpiles away from residential areas or watercourses.
- ✓ Clean up or damp down any spillage of dry dusty materials.
- ✓ Notify your Line Manager if work activities are causing poor air quality.

## DON'T

- ✗ DON'T burn materials on site without approval from your Project Manager. Permission is required first from the Environment Agency/SEPA.
- DON'T use poorly maintained plant. Black smoke may give rise to poor health and can cause a nuisance.
- X DON'T leave plant running if not in use.
- ✗ DON'T ignore sources of poor air quality, notify your line manager.
- X DON'T ignore complaints.

