



WASTE MANAGEMENT POLICY 2022

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1. OBJECTIVES

This policy aims to support RAKEZ's vision and commitment for an environmentally, socially and economically sustainable waste management system by:

- Setting out the requirements for identification and segregation of waste.
- Ensuring that waste is handled appropriately and receives the correct treatment to protect human health and the environment.
- Ensuring that RAKEZ clients and customers are reusing, recycling, composting and helping divert waste from landfill.
- Ensuring that there are appropriate facilities to correctly handle, store, treat and dispose of waste.

2. SCOPE:

This policy applies to all waste produced and generated by RAKEZ. It includes waste non-hazardous, solid and liquid waste, hazardous solid and liquid waste and medical waste. Management of waste is mandatory for those with land, warehouses, accommodation, facilities, offices and all contractors that fall under the RAKEZ Jurisdiction.

3. POLICY STATEMENT:

RAKEZ is committed to managing waste on all its sites safely, cost-effectively and in line with current legislation. Correct waste segregation is essential in minimizing the manual handling of general and other hazardous wastes and in keeping the costs of Industrial waste disposal to a minimum. RAKEZ is committed to working together with contractors to continually improve waste services on all of its sites by:

- Implementing the waste disposal guideline recommendations of the 'RAK Waste Management Agency'
- Complying with environmental and health and safety regulations and ensuring compliance with 'RAK Waste Management Agency' requirements
- Reviewing waste management activities to identify any problems, undertaking waste audits, risk assessments and investigating incidents when necessary and prioritizing any actions required to improve waste management procedures.
- Setting, measuring and reviewing waste management performance indicators to ensure good waste management practice.
- Raising awareness of waste management issues by offering waste management training to all stakeholders.
- Minimizing waste production, improving waste segregation and increasing waste recycling by utilizing "The Waste Hierarchy".
- Providing Waste Management Information to all new customers and contractors involved in any waste activities.
- The RAKEZ waste management policy and procedures will be reviewed annually or as required by changes in legislation and best practice.

4. LEGAL AUTHORITY:

- This policy requires that all RAKEZ Stakeholders and contractors that generate waste or are involved in the management of any solid or liquid waste must segregate their waste according to the Ras Al Khaimah Waste Management Agency (RAK WMA)

- This policy is issued based on the regulatory structure as referred to in:
 1. Ras Al Khaimah Waste Management Agency Booklet/Guidelines
 2. UAE Municipality & Environment Agency Guidelines.
 3. Federal Law No.14 of 2014 on Combatting Communicable Diseases (the law)
 4. Federal Law no. (12) of 2018 for the Integrated Waste Management
 5. Federal Law no. (24) of 1999 for the Protection & Development of the Environment
 6. Integrated Hazardous Materials Management System (IHMMMS) – Government of Abu Dhabi
 7. Department of Environment and Climate Change: NSW, Waste Classification Guidelines Part 1: Classifying Waste 2009
 8. Ras Al Khaimah Law No.3 of 2017
 9. Technical-Guideline-No.-8-Hazardous-Waste-Disposal-September-2020
 10. Technical-Guideline-No.-9-Recyclable-Waste-Materials-September-2020
 11. Federal Cabinet Decree No.37 of 2001 regarding the Regulations for the Handling Hazardous materials, Hazardous waste and Medical wastes

5. CLASSIFICATION OF WASTE:

Type of waste	Name of the waste
General waste or Municipal Solid Waste	Household and office user generated waste
Recycle Waste	Paper, Carton, Plastic, Wood pallets, used/damaged furniture's
Hazardous Waste	Paint, Chemicals, Oil, Gas, Grease, Chemical Powder, Glass products
Scrap Material (Waste)	Steel, Metal, Aluminium and Machines, Plastic, Fibre materials
Special Waste	Mixed or non-segregated waste
Organic Waste	Food, vegetable, fruits and meat products
Construction & Demolition waste	Concrete bricks, Cement/sand mixture
Electronic (E) waste	Printers, batteries, used desktop, cable, toners
Medical Waste	Medical and pharmaceutical waste items
Sewage Waste Water	Waste Sludge, Oil, Grease, Paint, Chemical and Food Content Mixed waste water

6. POLICY IMPLEMENTATION

Responsible waste management is a shared, day-to-day responsibility and mechanisms are in place to monitor implementation of this policy. This policy applies to all wastes generated by RAKEZ Customers Land, warehouse, Accommodation, offices and contractors under RAKEZ Jurisdiction areas.

Removal of waste from the concerned premises includes,

1. Non-hazardous solid waste:
 - A. Putrescible solid waste;
 - B. Non-recyclable and non-putrescible solid waste;
 - C. Recyclable and non-putrescible solid waste;
2. Non-hazardous liquid waste; and
3. Hazardous waste (liquid and solid).

All RAKEZ Customers Land, warehouse, Accommodation, offices and contractors are advised to dispose of their waste in the appropriate waste container that is provided by Ras Al Khaimah Waste Management Agency

7. POLICY OUTCOME:

Through an effective waste management system of recycling and reusing waste products the implementation of this policy will enable RAKEZ to maximize conservation of natural resources and minimize environmental harm. As per Legal and Statutory requirements, RAKEZ is:

- actively promoting the use of effective waste management strategies and ensuring that waste is disposed of in a safe manner, in a way that least harms the natural environment.
- reducing the environmental and health risks resulting from improper waste management
- encouraging the efficient use of resources in accordance with the principles of sustainable development and life cycle approach
- encouraging sustainability by using recycled products
- promoting the health, safety and welfare of the RAKEZ Stakeholders and contractors, and protecting the environment by establishing requirements and guideless for the management of waste
- contributing to economic development by recycling, reusing waste materials and using recycled products
- encouraging RAKEZ Stakeholders and contractors to share the responsibility of waste management and therefore create a sense of social accountability.

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