

Resource Sheet

BPA ENVIRONMENTAL (ECO) POLICY

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British Pyrotechnists Association (BPA)

Environmental (Eco) Policy

Introduction

The British Pyrotechnists Association (BPA) is committed to promoting environmentally responsible practices throughout the UK professional fireworks and pyrotechnics industry. We recognise our responsibility to minimise the environmental impact of our activities and to encourage our members to adopt sustainable working practices wherever reasonably practicable.

This policy supports our commitment to continual improvement while maintaining the highest standards of safety, professionalism and legal compliance.

Our Commitments

The BPA will:

- Promote environmental awareness throughout the pyrotechnics industry.
- Encourage members to consider environmental impacts when planning and delivering fireworks displays and special effects.
- Comply with all relevant environmental legislation and regulatory requirements.
- Review this policy regularly to ensure it remains effective and reflects current legislation and best practice.
- Share guidance, resources and examples of good environmental practice with members.

Waste Management

The BPA encourages members to:

- Remove all waste generated during fireworks displays wherever reasonably practicable.
- Dispose of spent fireworks, packaging and associated materials responsibly and in accordance with relevant legislation.
- Recycle cardboard, paper, plastics and other recyclable materials whenever facilities are available.
- Minimise single-use materials where practical.

Sustainable Operations

Members are encouraged to:

- Plan displays efficiently to minimise unnecessary travel.



- Consider vehicle sharing and efficient logistics where possible.
- Reduce fuel consumption by careful route planning.
- Maintain vehicles and equipment to improve efficiency and reduce emissions.
- Purchase products and equipment from responsible suppliers where appropriate.

Fireworks and Environmental Considerations

The BPA recognises that professional fireworks displays can have environmental impacts. Members are encouraged to:

- Select products that are appropriate for the venue, audience and surrounding environment.
- Consider local environmental sensitivities, including wildlife habitats, livestock and protected areas.
- Plan firing locations to minimise unnecessary disturbance wherever reasonably practicable.
- Liaise with event organisers regarding site-specific environmental considerations.
- Ensure a thorough site clean-up following displays.
- Use industry-recognised tools, where available, to assess the environmental impact of fireworks displays, including chemical emissions and noise, and make this information available to event organisers and relevant enforcement authorities upon request.

Training and Education

The BPA will:

- Promote environmental awareness through its training courses and publications where appropriate.
- Encourage members to remain informed about emerging environmental research, legislation and best practice.
- Share practical guidance to help members improve environmental performance.

Procurement

Where appropriate, the BPA will seek to:

- Reduce paper consumption by using digital communication.
- Source environmentally responsible products and services where practical.
- Work with suppliers who demonstrate a commitment to environmental responsibility.



Continuous Improvement

The BPA is committed to continually reviewing its environmental performance and encouraging members to identify practical opportunities to reduce environmental impacts while maintaining the highest standards of public safety.

Responsibility

The BPA Management Committee is responsible for overseeing this policy. All members are encouraged to support its aims and apply its principles within their own organisations.

Review

This policy will be reviewed every two years, or sooner if there are significant changes in legislation or industry best practice.

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