



Port of Cork Company Environmental Policy Statement

Port of Cork is the premier port on Ireland's south coast offering sheltered deepwater facilities close to the main shipping lanes to Northern Europe, the Mediterranean and North America. The Port handles all five shipping modes, with annual traffic of 10 million tonnes approx. Port of Cork has four distinct public facilities: City Quays, Tivoli Industrial and Dock Estate, Ringaskiddy Deepwater and Ferry Terminals and Cobh Cruise Terminal.

Port of Cork is committed to the development of modern and efficient systems, with the maintenance of an Environmental Management System identified as a key strategic challenge. As such, we recognise environmental management to be of equal importance to other prime business considerations. Port of Cork commits itself to lead the wider port community to minimise environmental impacts through co-ordinated environmental management, respecting the principles of environmental sustainability and corporate and social responsibility. We are committed to:

- **Maintaining an Environmental Management System compliant with European Sea Ports Organisation ECOPORTS criteria and certified to ISO 14001**
- **The principle of 'pollution prevention' through operational best practice, emissions management, waste minimisation, efficient resource use, and conservation awareness**
- **Compliance with relevant environmental legislation, regulations and other requirements including industry codes of practice**
- **Continual environmental performance improvement, by achieving realistic objectives and targets in the context of a systematic management programme**
- **Communicating and implementing this environmental policy statement with all employees and providing appropriate training**
- **Making this environmental policy statement available to our stakeholders and the general public, and supporting local community liaison**
- **Public reporting on environmental performance**
- **Ensure the availability of necessary resources to implement this policy**

The Port of Cork Company Board and Management actively supports this policy.

**Brendan Keating (Chief Executive)
Port of Cork Company**

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