
GS13 – Environmental Impact

1 Scope

At BT we are committed to running our business responsibly. We strive to maintain high ethical principles and protect the environment. We expect you, as our supplier, to do the same. BT is committed to the prevention of pollution and minimising the impact on the environment of its operations globally. BT's Environmental Management System (EMS) provides the structured framework for the management of its environmental impacts and supports our ISO 14001 certificate.

The BT environmental policy can be found here:

http://www.btplc.com/Purposefulbusiness/Ourapproach/Ourpolicies/Environmental_Policy.pdf

We encourage you, as a supplier, to attain ISO14001 accreditation but we do not make it a mandatory requirement. We do require you to attain a minimum standard of environmental management. Taking this approach supports BT's own ISO14001 accreditation and commitment to tackling our environmental impacts.

The approach is risk based requiring the highest level of environmental management from those suppliers that present the highest environmental risk. There is a differentiation between suppliers who are disposing of BT waste, suppliers of products, and suppliers of services.

BT recognise that plastics are a major environmental problem given the amount of time they take to biodegrade and the negative impact they have on biodiversity on land and at sea. Our aim is to ensure that 100% of the plastic packaging that we procure can be used, recycled or composted.

We encourage our suppliers to work with us to eliminate the use of single use plastic and where possible use plastics that can be recycled or composted.

2 Questionnaire

Our GS13 Environmental Questionnaire (“**Questionnaire**”) is a mandatory requirement for you as a supplier to BT. It helps us understand your environmental performance and impact. We use the output of the Questionnaire to work collaboratively with you to drive continuous improvement. We do not expect you to take actions which may be considered unreasonable or excessive in order to meet our standards. We may also ask to see further proof or evidence to support responses to any of the questions or improvements. Depending on your responses, you may also be asked to complete our GS14 (waste) questionnaire and our GS15 (Plastics) questionnaire.

You may be invited by BT to complete this Questionnaire via our online portal.

You warrant the accuracy and completeness of any information (including responses to any questionnaires) relating to the subject matter of this Generic Standard that are provided by you to us prior to the date of your contract with us. If any aspect of such information no longer remains accurate and complete in any material respect during the term of your contract with

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us, you must promptly submit to BT a written update to such information so that it remains accurate and complete.

3 Contractual Requirements

This Generic Standard and associated Questionnaire is incorporated into any contract you have with BT and you, as the supplier and your subsidiaries and subcontractors that provide goods or services to BT.

- a) You must immediately report to BT any material breaches of this Generic Standard. BT will work collaboratively with you to implement remedial actions. However, we will also take action, which may include terminating the contract, if you are unwilling to make appropriate changes and management approach adopted.