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Mandating of Defence Standard 00-051 in Contracts	
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This SEB has been produced to mandate Defence Standard 00-051 Environmental Management Requirements for Defence Systems for all new DE&S acquisition contracts and appropriate contractual renewals.

Background:

1. The purpose of this Standard is to support MOD acquisition organisations that deliver Products, Services and/or Systems (PSS) by setting environmental management requirements on Contractors that enable procurement of PSS that are demonstrably compliant with environmental legislation and regulations and with MOD policy.
2. The Standard is structured to be open architecture to place emphasis on using open standards or a combination of open standards to meet environmental requirements. It has goal-based approach to meet environmental management requirements and provides guidance to clarify and support the requirements clauses and sub-clauses. It also provides:
 - Guidance on Contracting and Tailoring with templates for compliancy matrices.
 - Data Item Definitions to support the definition and production of deliverables.
 - Guidance to reflect changing priorities to adapt to Net Zero and MOD's Climate Change and Sustainability Strategy. These aim to develop awareness and understanding of the two concepts before the overarching strategy and requirements are released across Defence.
3. Part 1 of this Standard sets out Environmental Management Requirements which require application in any given situation; and defines the environmental management activities and artefacts to be provided by Contractors as part of their provision of PSS to the MOD. Part 2 sets out Environmental Management Requirement Guidance on how to comply with the requirements contained in Part 1.

USE OF DEFENCE STANDARD 00-051 IN CONTRACTS

4. From September 2022, all new projects are mandated to use the current published Issue for contracting. Legacy projects contracted to earlier Issues may continue to use those Issues until contract renewal where appropriate. However, it may be prudent for some projects to consider contract amendment to use the latest Issue; but this will be dependent on the benefit analysis, e.g., through-life cost and impact of such a decision, and agreement between DE&S and the Contractor. Copies of the Standard are available through StanMIS on the DStan website.

TRAINING

5. Online training for this standard will become available on DLE during Q3 2022. This training will support Defence staff in using this standard as a contracting mechanism.

Actions to be taken

1. For cascading as appropriate.

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