

THE FOUR WHEEL DRIVE CLUB

Environmental Policy

This policy defines how The Four Wheel Drive Club (FWDC) will deal with the environmental impact of events held by and controlled by the FWDC, this relates not only to the control of spills of oil, fuel and other contaminants from vehicles and persons taking part but all aspects of the club's activities.

Carrying out re-fuelling on event site.

If refueling is to be carried out on the event site this can only be carried out in the defined area in the Trailer park area, any spills of fuel are to be reported to the event control and dealt with as below.

Repairs to vehicles in the parking area.

Any repairs to vehicles carried out in the parking area that may cause a leak or spill of vehicle fluids other than water must be carried out on a large sheet or tarpaulin type material, any spill of vehicle fluids must be dealt with as per the procedure below.

Re-cycling of Waste

Whenever practicable, waste paper, waste oil and scrap metals (ferrous & non-ferrous) will be separated from other wastes for collection by approved contractors who re-cycle those products.

In the Event of a Spillage of fuel, oil or other contaminant

Absorbent materials used to uplift the spillage, (sand, paper, sawdust etc)

Small spillages on-site must be placed into a suitable container and removed from site immediately.

Waste oil, oil filters and contaminated absorbent waste, either collected from site or resulting from repair and maintenance activities on site by club members must be placed in leak free, containers/tanks or bags, these must be removed from site at the end of the event to the correct disposal facility.

Should a large spillage occur the following procedure should be followed: Contain the spill as far as practically possible to minimise the contamination of the environment, especially with regard to water courses and wild life areas.

Contain the spill by digging trenches or providing bunds from nearby soil or sand.

Clear the spill by soaking up as much as practically possible and disposing of in leak free containers or bags, these must be removed from site at the end of the event to the correct disposal facility

Report the incident to the Event Coordinator or Chief Marshal immediately.

Cleaning/Chemical Agents

All cleaning/chemical agents should be stored and transported under the conditions detailed in the use and storage of the said agent. In the event of spillage, all products should be absorbed by sand and the debris placed in a plastic bag for disposal on an approved 'safe tip' or recycling centre. The location of such centres should be sought from the respective local authority.

Batteries

All batteries must be stored in a segregated, secure and well ventilated area. Old and damaged batteries should not be placed in waste bins or skips etc., they must be disposed of through an approved waste contractor.

Any battery leaking fluid should immediately be placed into a suitable container (unaffected by acid), in a safe area, until collection by the contractor or disposed of at the local authority recycling centre.

Gas Cylinders

Limited amounts of bottled gasses (LPG, Argon, Oxygen, Acetylene) can be stored and transported under controlled conditions. Club members must comply with the precautions and emergency procedures that must be adhered

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