

Environmental Policy

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Document Information

Short Description:

Environmental excellence is promoted by key principles into all our processing activities.

Scope:

Relevant to all employees of Aperam.

1. Purpose

Aperam operates all aspects of modern steelmaking operations. It produces a wide range of Stainless, Electrical steels and Alloys products to meet today's needs in all major customer markets.

Steel is the material of choice for environmental protection; not only is it environmentally friendly but its life cycle outperforms other materials as it is endlessly recyclable.

Aperam promotes environmental excellence into all its processing activities.

2. Principles

At Aperam, we are committed to:

2.1 Implementation of environmental management systems including ISO 14001 certification for production facilities;

2.2 Compliance with all relevant environmental laws and regulations, and other company commitments;

2.3 Continuous improvement in environmental performance, taking advantage of systematic monitoring and aiming at pollution prevention;

2.4 Development, improvement and application of low impact, environmental production methods taking benefit of locally available raw materials;

2.5 Development and manufacture of environmentally friendly products focusing on their use and subsequent recycling;

2.6 Efficient use of natural resources, energy and land;

2.7 Efficient management of energy consumption and reduction of energy intensity via the use of renewable energy whenever technically and economically feasible;

2.8 Management and reduction of greenhouse gas emissions where technically and economically feasible;

2.9 Management of all production residues prior to internal and external reuse or recycling to reduce the land filled waste;

2.10 Management and reduction of ducted dust, limiting diffuse dust emissions where technically and economically feasible;

2.11 Management and reduction of the fresh water footprint and careful monitoring of water discharges where technically and economically feasible;

2.12 Employee commitment and responsibility in environmental performance;

2.13 Supplier and contractor awareness and respect of Aperam's environmental policy;

2.13 Open communication and dialogue with all stakeholders affected by Aperam's operations