

Serving the Midlands, South West and Wales

# **Company Directive**

**POLICY DOCUMENT: EW3/2** 

# **Relating to Access to Private Land**

## **Policy Summary**

This policy document outlines the Company Policy on gaining access to private land.

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| Target Staff Group       | All staff who may be required to gain access to private land to carry out work  |
|--------------------------|---|
| Impact of Change         | Green - no impact on current working practices. Content relating to work in protected areas has been moved to POL:EN6/3 |
| Planned Assurance checks | To be completed as part of SSV, PPE and Field check processes   |

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#### IMPLEMENTATION PLAN

#### Introduction

This policy has been updated and details our approach to access private land.

# **Main Changes**

Working in Protected Areas has been removed and is incorporated on POL: EN6/3.

# **Impact of Changes**

No change to current working practices.

# **Implementation Actions**

None, the exiting process is the same as before.

# **Implementation Timetable**

This Standard Technique shall be implemented by the continued application of existing arrangements.

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# **REVISION HISTORY**

| Document Revision & Review Table |   |  |  |  |
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| Date                             | Comments  | Author   |  |  |
| Sept 2021                        | <ul> <li>Amended to remove reference to statutory consents (which has been moved to POL: EN6/3).</li> <li>Document reviewed – format updated.</li> <li>Content relating to protected areas has been removed to POL: EN6/3.</li> </ul> | Rebecca Downing /<br>Yvonne Harris /<br>Jill Russell |  |  |
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## 1.0 INTRODUCTION

1.1 This POL relates to the rights of access that WPD has to private land. It sets out the conditions that we must meet in exercising those rights with respect to the owner or occupier of the land.

## 2.0 POLICY

- 2.1 It is WPD policy that although we have powers of access to privately-owned land, good public relations are maintained with landowners and tenants.
- 2.2 Standard Technique EW3A specifies the procedures that must be followed in order to gain access to private land.

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| This document supersedes POL: EW3/1 dated May 2007 which has now been withdrawn. |
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| APPENDIX B   |
| RECORD OF COMMENT DURING CONSULTATION  |
| No comments received.  |

**ANCILLARY DOCUMENTS** 

**SUPERSEDED DOCUMENTS** 

None.

**APPENDIX D** 

**APPENDIX C** 

**ASSOCIATED DOCUMENTS** 

None.

**APPENDIX E** 

**KEY WORDS** 

Privately-owned land, Tenant.