
Frequently Asked Questions

1. Why does Tadweer ask for Waste Management planning and reporting?

The main purpose of this program is to reduce the waste generation rates and to divert the recyclable waste from the general waste stream. As part of Abu Dhabi Vision 2030, a target of 90% waste diversion from landfills by 2018 has been set by the authorities. In addition, Tadweer also monitors if waste generated in the Emirate has been disposed through approved channels.

2. Which entities are required to comply with Tadweer requirements?

All facilities identified by Tadweer as producing more than 250 tonnes of waste a year have to comply with the guidelines. This requirement is applicable for government, semi-government, or private facilities that are operating within the Emirate of Abu Dhabi.

3. What are the documents required for Waste Management planning and reporting?

Tadweer requires License of the company, MOL list stating the number of employees in the company, Contracts with Environmental Service Providers and Waste Manifests for the reporting period in Tadweer approved format.

4. On what basis is the tariff fee calculated?

Fee is calculated based on variables including but not limited to no. of employees, business activities and other factors. The current tariff fee for the waste generated is set at AED 225/tonne with an annual cap of AED 50,000.

5. What is a letter of undertaking?

It is the letter which entities have to submit along the managerial amount of AED 45,000/- stating that entity will comply with the Tadweer requirements and will submit the required documentation.

6. When to submit the letter of undertaking?

Entities have to submit it along with the tariff and managerial fee upon renewal of the company license.

7. What is the managerial cheque?

It is a cheque of amount AED 45,000/- . Entities have to submit it with the tariff fees. This amount may be returned if the company is able to provide a proof of complete compliance with Tadweer requirements in the Waste Management Reduction Report.

8. Is it alright not to submit the Waste Reduction Report?

As per requirements, it is necessary for every company producing more than 250 tonnes of waste to submit a Waste Reduction Report through approved consultants. Failure to comply may lead to suspension of company license by concerned authorities.

9. When is the right time to contract a consultant?

It is advisable to contract a consultant as soon as tariff and managerial cheque is submitted to Tadweer. The companies have to submit the report within 90 days after payment of managerial cheque.

10. Will the consultant submit the report?

No, the consultant cannot submit the report on behalf of the client. Consultant will provide deliverables only to the client. Client will be the sole responsible party for submission of reports.

11. What are the types of Environmental Service Providers (ESP) related with the waste management?

There are three main types of Environmental Service Providers with respect to Waste Management:

- a. Transportation: Service providers transport waste from the facility to the disposal site.
- b. Treatment: This service provider's treats or recycle the waste.
- c. Trade: These service providers deal with trading of waste.

12. Which type of Environmental Service Provider (ESP) should be contracted?

It is suggested to contract an ESP who is approved to manage all the waste streams generated from the company scope of activities.

13. What should be the duration of contract with Environmental Service Provider (ESP)?

Environmental Service Provider (ESP) must be contracted for at least 12 months. It is the requirement from Tadweer.

14. What is a Waste Manifest?

A waste manifest reflects the type and amount of waste collected from the company for a single trip.

15. Will there be an additional charge incurred if we ask for a copy of the waste manifests?

It is mandatory for Environmental Service Provider to provide a properly filled, completely signed and stamped copy to the waste producer. Tadweer expects every company to produce manifests for all waste types. So always asks for the producer copy from your Environmental Service Provider.

16. Which manifest is considered complete by TADWEER?

A Manifests which is properly signed, stamped and filled with complete details of producer, transporter and disposal/ treatment site with proper tracking number and appropriate waste code with total quantity of waste is considered as complete.

17. We have Waste Manifests for Garbage waste. Will it be enough?

Tadweer expects from every entity to document waste manifests for all types of waste produced and attach it with the waste management and reduction report.

18. We are going for the submission. What will happen next?

Entities have to submit their reports to Tadweer. Initial evaluation of the required documents will be done. If all documents are available, report will be submitted. If not, Tadweer representative will inform the company's representative about the missing documents/s and will be given a date to resubmit the complete report.

19. How is the Waste Reduction Report evaluated and what's next?

They evaluate on the basis of waste manifests and waste management practices applied by the entity. Contract with the ESP and the Permit to Practice Waste Management will also be evaluated. After 5-7 days of evaluation, Tadweer will send letter with an assessment sheet for the report submitted. If any, fines will also be reflected on the assessment sheet.

20. How can we avoid fines for next year?

You can avoid fines by implementing the Waste Management and Reduction Plan generated by your consultant.