

Occupational Health and Safety Policy Statement of Intent

Company Overview

Founded in 1977, Hydrum Engineering Ltd is a privately owned sheet metal subcontracting company. Hydrum is situated on Chilton Industrial Estate, County Durham and has engineering capabilities in the form of laser cutting, guillotining, punching, folding, forming, welding, drilling and powder coating. The company is always striving to remain at the leading edge of its chosen field in providing a total sheet metal subcontracting package to a cross section of customers.

Aims

Hydrum Engineering shall conform to specified standards of quality as laid down under standard BS EN ISO 9001:2000, and shall do this in a safe manner, on a continual basis, by implementing and maintaining compliance to Occupational Health and Safety (OH&S) management system guidelines OHSAS 18001:1999.

To achieve our aims we are committed to, so far as is reasonably practicable:

- *The continual improvement of our OH&S performance and management systems.*
- *Setting objectives and targets through the company's business plan against which our performance can be measured.*
- *Complying with and, where appropriate, exceeding regulatory and legislative requirements, applying best available techniques in minimising the OH&S impacts on our activities.*
- *Ensuring appropriate OH&S equipment, plant, information, instruction, training and supervision are provided, as is necessary, to achieve the stated objectives and targets, requiring employees and contractors to conform to our standards at all times.*
- *Introducing measures and monitoring to reduce the risk of injury to the lowest reasonably practicable level.*
- *Ergonomically fitting tasks to people thereby removing barriers to quality, productivity and safe human performance.*
- *Assessing the health and safety risks which arise from the company's work activities and to effect and maintain strategies so that controls are used to protect people's health.*
- *Providing and maintaining a safe and healthy working environment with adequate welfare facilities and arrangements and establishing safe means of access to and egress from the workplace.*
- *Monitoring the achievement of our OH&S performance by the way of regular audits.*
- *Considering the OH&S impacts of new products and of our processes and equipment where feasible and possible.*

The company OH&S policy is communicated to employees and distributed to interested parties and the public on request.



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Managing Director
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