



# Environmental Management System (EMS)

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# USAG Yongsan Environmental Policy



- Comply with **all applicable environmental regulations, polices and directives**
- **Assess our activities/services** to determine potential effects on the environment.
- Implement **Objectives and Targets** through EMS
- Implement **Pollution Prevention (P2)** strategies
- **Continually Improve our EMS**

# What is an EMS and Why is it Important to you?



EMS stands for **Environmental Management System** which is a management approach based on continuous improvement aimed at long term mission sustainability to prioritize and manage the various environmental concerns at an installation.

EMS serves as a framework to systematically identify and reduce an organization's impact on the environment while maintaining mission focus.

## An **EMS**

- Is NOT a computer software program
- Is about management practices and planning
- Involves everyone at all levels of the installation including Senior Leadership

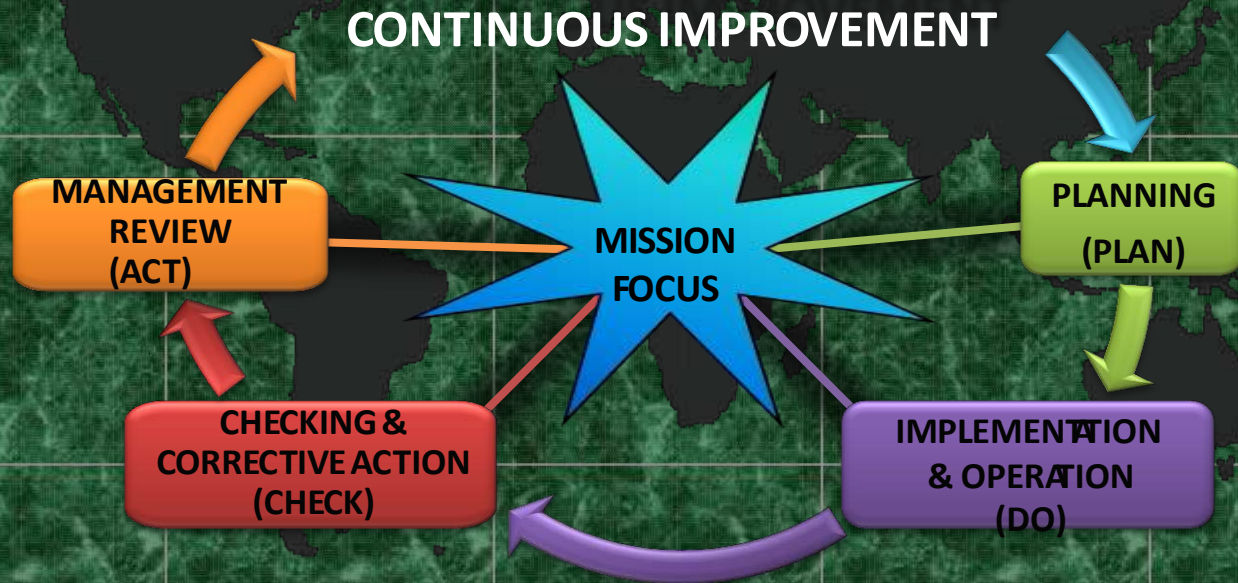
**!** Remember EMS is a management process, not an environmental program.

The fact that you are taking this training means that you are also a crucial and integral part of a successful EMS.



# The EMS Cycle

An EMS is a framework that allows an organization to understand and consistently control the effects of its operations on the environment through a system or cycle of Plan, Do, Check and Act, which promotes continuous improvement and maintains mission focus.





# The Phases of an EMS

During the **Planning Phase (PLAN)** the environmental aspects and impacts of the installation's activities are identified and prioritized in order to establish environmental goals in support of the mission.

The **Implementing Phase (DO)** involves putting into place operational controls, documented procedures, specific roles and responsibilities, and providing training to manage those activities with high priority or significant aspects.

During the **Checking Phase (CHECK)** the management system is monitored and assessed based on established performance measures. Corrective actions are proposed for non-conformances.

Senior Leadership reviews the performance status of the EMS during the **Review Phase (ACT)** and takes the necessary corrective actions to improve the EMS.

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## Significant Environmental Aspects (SEA)



Based on risk analysis of all environmental aspects, USAG Yongsan identified the five most significant. Once it becomes a significant aspect, the Environmental Management Program (EMP) needs to be developed and operational controls will be implemented to reduce the risks.

### USAG Yongsan **Significant Environmental Aspects**

**Bulk Fuel/Chemical Spill**

**Storm Water Discharge**

**Hazardous Waste Generation**

**Solid Waste Generation**

**Energy Consumption**



# USAG Yongsan SEA #1 - Bulk Fuel/Chemical Spill

**Activity:** Receiving (Filling), Storage, and Distribution

**Environmental Aspect:** Uncontrolled  
Accidental Releases (e.g., spill)

**Environmental Impact:** Contaminated Surface  
Waters (e.g., Rivers, Streams, and Ocean); and Soil  
& Groundwater

## What do we do for Continuous Improvement?

- Reduce Accidental Spills
- Control Spills



# USAG Yongsan SEA #2

## - Storm Water Discharge



**Activity:** Industrial Activities, Car Wash, and Operation and Maintenance of Oil-Water Separators

**Environmental Aspect:** Contaminants Discharged via Storm water System

**Environmental Impact:** Contaminated Surface Waters (e.g., Rivers, Streams, and Ocean); and Soil & Groundwater

### **What do we do for Continuous Improvement?**

Minimize contaminants in wastewater going into the storm water system; and wastewater generation.





# USAG Yongsan SEA #3 - Solid Waste Generation



**Activity:** Office and Administrative Work; Housing/Billeting Operations; and Solid Waste Management

**Environmental Aspect:** Solid Waste Generation

**Environmental Impact:** Depletion of Landfill Space; and Soil & Groundwater Contamination

**What do we do for Continuous Improvement?**

Reduce Solid Waste Generation; and Recycle and Reuse



# USAG Yongsan SEA #4

## - Hazardous Waste Generation



**Activity:** Operation and Maintenance of Housing/Billeting, Industrial Shops, Golf Course, and Landscape

**Environmental Aspect:** Hazardous Waste Generation

**Environmental Impact:** Soil & Groundwater Contamination; Degradation of Air Quality

**What do we do for Continuous Improvement?**

Minimize Hazardous Waste Generation; Recycle/Reuse; and Use Alternative Chemicals



# USAG Yongsan SEA #5 - Energy Consumption



**Activity:** Office and Administrative Work; and Operation and Maintenance of Facility; Heating & Cooling

**Environmental Aspect:** Consumption of Electrical Power; and Heating Fuel

**Environmental Impact:** Degradation of Air Quality ; Depletion of Fossil Fuel Resources; and Global Warming

**What do we do for Continuous Improvement?**

Comply with Energy Conservation Requirements; Use Sub-metering



# EMS Summary



You have successfully navigated the key concepts of environmental aspects and impacts and how they are related to your work. Hopefully you now understand how these aspects play a crucial role in the success of an EMS and for environmental stewardship in support of mission sustainability

USAG Yongsan declared conformance with EMS (ISO 14001) in December 2009. Look for the following and other elements and understand that they are in place because environmental stewardship is an important part of sustaining our mission.

- Environmental Policy
- Significant Aspects
- Your SOPs, Pollution Prevention and Emergency Response Plans

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Environmental Management System (EMS) program is;

- A. Is a computer system and software package.
- B. Is about management practices and planning.
- C. Is about environmental stewardship of an installation.
- D. Both b and c



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A successful Army Environmental Management System (EMS) will:

- A. Reduce mission impact on the environment.
- B. Strive to find better ways to distract inspectors from finding areas of non-compliance.
- C. Maintain a high level of regulatory compliance.
- D. Both a and c.

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Many federal agencies have active and effective pollution prevention programs and waste management activities already underway. These programs cannot be incorporated into an EMS:

- A. True
- B. False

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During which phase of an EMS does senior leadership take the required actions to improve the established EMS Cycle?

- A. Plan
- B. Do
- C. Check
- D. Act

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A successful EMS is the responsibility of:

- A. You
- B. Top leadership
- C. Supervisors and project managers
- D. All the above

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Which of the following is not a USAG Yongsan Significant Environmental Aspect?

- A. Spills related to Bulk Fuel Management
- B. Hazardous Waste Generation
- C. Air Emissions management
- D. Energy Consumption

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Which of the following is a part of the USAG Yongsan Environmental Policy?

- A. Comply with environmental laws and regulations
- B. Identify and Implement Pollution Prevention strategies
- C. Seek opportunities to Continuous Improvement
- D. All of the above.

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To reduce mission impacts, the Army focuses on activities that happen on site and in the field.

A. True

B. False

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Only senior leadership and the environmental office need to understand what an EMS is and their EMS responsibilities.

A. True

B. False



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What can you expect to see from your senior leadership regarding EMS?

- A. Determine how your site impacts the environment.
- B. Set achievable objectives to address significant environmental aspects.
- C. Designate unit Environmental Officer and responsibilities.
- D. All of the above.



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