



IEMA Foundation Certificate in Environmental Management

Introduction

This Supplement has been prepared to update your study material for the IEMA Foundation Certificate in Environmental Management. You should read it in conjunction with your existing course material.

Element 1: Sustainable Business Thinking

Key Environmental Issues

Global Climate Change

Please delete the 6th and 7th paragraphs under this subheading and substitute the following:

“The **Kyoto Protocol** is an international agreement that was developed in Kyoto, Japan in 1997 to reduce man-made greenhouse gas emissions. Under the Kyoto Protocol, developed countries pledged to cut the annual emissions of greenhouse gases by different amounts.

The first period of the Protocol required developed countries to reduce their greenhouse gas emissions by 5.2% by 2012. The second phase of the Protocol requires developed countries to reduce their greenhouse gas emissions by 18% compared to a 1990 baseline by 2020.”

Environment and Business

Resource Efficiency

In the **More** box at the end of this subsection, please delete “<http://www.envirowise.gov.uk>” and substitute “<http://www.wrap.org.uk/>”.

Element 2: Environmental Legislation

Key Pieces of Environmental Law

General

Environmental Protection Act

In the **More** box in this subsection, please delete the existing text and substitute the following:

- “Gov.uk (UK): <https://www.gov.uk/>.
- NI BusinessInfo (Northern Ireland only): <http://www.nibusinessinfo.co.uk/>.
- Business Scotland (Scotland only): <http://www.business.scotland.gov.uk/>.
- Environment Agency: <http://www.environment-agency.gov.uk/>.”

Regulatory Agencies

Scottish Environment Protection Agency

Please amend the 3rd paragraph under this subheading to read:

“SEPA has a responsibility to regulate all installations identified as being controlled by the **Pollution Prevention and Control (Scotland) Regulations 2012**.”

Economic Instruments

In the 2nd paragraph under this subheading, please amend the 3rd sentence to read:

“Those high energy use industries and airline operators who participate in the scheme may meet their allowance by reducing emissions and selling to others the part of their allowance that has not been used.”