



# SMART GARAGE GUIDE CHECKLIST

This checklist provides a quick guide to good environmental practices on your site. By doing these you can ensure that you keep costs down and comply with the various laws that apply to your site.



## ELECTRICITY

Electricity charges – watch your watts!



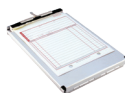
- Lighting – See the light & SAVE Money 
  - Install energy efficient bulbs
  - Clean light fittings and skylights
  - Turn off the lights or use other automatic controls like timers
- Compressed Air – don't blow your money 
  - Check for leaks and repair properly straight away
  - Turn off your compressor when not in use
  - Reduce the pressure of your supply - 7 bar is plenty
- Other Areas – other savings 
  - Check your bills for wattless charges and MIC exceedance charges
  - Manage all heaters, including plug-in and storage heaters properly
  - Review your tariffs on an annual basis

Score out of 3 \_\_\_\_\_

See pages 25 to 30 of the Smart Garage Guide for more tips.

## DOCUMENTATION

Are records up-to-date? IT'S THE LAW!



- Ensure garage staff are familiar with all the relevant laws and that documentation is up to date

Score out of 1 \_\_\_\_\_

See pages 31 to 36 of the Smart Garage Guide for assistance

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For more information on any aspects of waste or hazardous waste management please contact the environment section of your local authority.

## WASTE

Waste not, want not – manage wastes properly!



- Bin your skip – skips are magnets for other people's waste and when it rains they fill with water
- Segregate your wastes – especially metals & recyclables as these are valuable. Don't forget the canteen & offices – a lot of waste can come from these areas
- Manage Hazardous Waste correctly

Score out of 3 \_\_\_\_\_

See pages 4 to 18 of the Smart Garage Guide for more tips!

## WATER

Don't throw money down the drain – monitor your water use!



- Water Supply – check for leaks, including leaking taps and toilets. Even small leaks can cost a lot over a full year
- Water Contamination – important in garages and yards so use sealed containers and bunded tanks for storing oils etc.
- Vehicle Washing can use a lot of water – harvest rainwater for this, one benefit of all the rain!

Score out of 3 \_\_\_\_\_

See pages 20 to 24 of the Smart Garage Guide for more tips!

OVERALL SCORE OUT OF 10 \_\_\_\_\_

Areas which require immediate attention are:

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Location: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_



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