

EMS Implementation Milestones

- 30 Sep 03: Environmental Policy Signature**
EMS policies must be put in place and signed by the Garrison Commander.
- 30 Mar 04: Complete EMS Self-Assessments**
Conduct and document an installation-wide EMS self-assessment consistent with Army EMS policy and brief it to the Commander.
- 30 Sep 04: Implementation Plan**
Commander signs a written plan delineating scheduled dates, identified resources, timelines, and organizational responsibilities for implementing an installation-wide EMS, consistent with Army EMS policy.
- 30 Mar 05: Identify Aspects and Impacts**
Combine a prioritized list of significant environmental aspects throughout installation.
- 30 Mar 05: Complete EMS Awareness-Level Training**
Provide awareness-level briefings on the Army's EMS to all appropriate installation personnel.
- 31 Dec 05: Conduct Management Review**
Complete at least one management review in accordance with the installation's documented policy for recurring EMS management reviews.
- 31 Dec 09: Full Conformance with ISO 14001**
Complete implementation of all components of the ISO 14001 model and self-declare conformance in accordance with Army policy.

Army Reference Materials

- ✓ *U.S. Army Environmental Management Systems Implementation Guide*
- ✓ *U.S. Army Environmental Management Systems Commander's Guide*
- ✓ *Aspect and Impact Methodology for Army Training Ranges*
- ✓ All guidance documents and various EMS tools/ templates are located on DENIX

"Sound environmental stewardship contributes in many ways to mission accomplishment...and as part of Soldier readiness, we must sustain our environmental resources and use them wisely."

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The Army Environmental Management System

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**Strengthening Army Readiness
Through Mission Focused
Environmental Management
Systems...**

...sustainable operations

...improved business practices

...continual improvement



Army Environmental Management System Basics

What is an EMS?

- ✓ Part of the OVERALL MANAGEMENT SYSTEM of an Installation
- ✓ Systematic/quality approach to environmental management that incorporates people, procedures, and work practices and BUILDS upon existing programs
- ✓ Single Installation approach to managing environmental activities that allows for efficient, prioritized program execution
- ✓ The Army's commitment to excellence and leadership; achieving results such as:
 - Sustaining the Mission
 - Preventing Pollution
 - Complying with Regulations
 - Self Assessment and Improvement
 - Being a Responsible Neighbor
 - Forming Partnerships

What are Army EMS objectives?

- ✓ Support and sustain the installation mission
- ✓ Ensure a consistent risk-based approach to environmental management
- ✓ Integrate EMS concepts
- ✓ Enhance the effectiveness of the Army's environmental program
- ✓ Ensure continual improvement

What is Army's approach to EMS?

- ✓ Per Executive Order (EO) 13148, "Greening the Government Through Leadership in Environmental Management," the Army plans to have EMS implemented at all installations and tenant activities by December 31, 2005
- ✓ Go beyond EO requirements and fully conform to International Organization for Standardization (ISO) 14001 model by FY 2009
- ✓ Utilize a cross-functional team to obtain installation-wide support
- ✓ Leverage existing Army systems to implement through a phased approach



What will the benefits be?

- ✓ It gears environmental programs toward better supporting mission execution and sustainable operations
- ✓ It is a risk-based approach to managing environmental concerns
- ✓ It establishes mechanisms to ensure that all environmental programs communicate
- ✓ The risk-based approach helps environmental programs avoid becoming stove pipes as a result of a non-integrated management approach

How does EMS strengthen Army readiness?

- ✓ Mitigates environmental impacts to mission and community
- ✓ Integrates environmental management into all missions and business practices
- ✓ Aligns environmental actions to support the installation mission
- ✓ Ensures today's requirements do not compromise the Army's ability to accomplish its future mission

Why Adopt ISO 14001?

- ✓ It is a global standard for an Army with a global mission
 - Clearly identifies all environmental risks
 - Focuses scarce environmental resources on the areas that need them the most
 - Common structure aids inter-operability
 - Externally recognizable
 - Moves Army to industry best practices

