



AS PART OF YOUR DUTY OF CARE OBLIGATIONS YOU MAY NEED AN ENVIRONMENTAL PERMIT

THE NEED FOR ENVIRONMENTAL PERMITS.

WHAT HAPPENED?	A landowner in Bicester accumulated an extensive amount of waste wood (including pallets and shredded wood) on his agricultural smallholding, thus creating a fire hazard.
OUTCOME	The landowner was fined £2000, ordered to pay costs of £3000 and a £120 victim surcharge.
CONTEXT	Some waste activities do not need a permit because they're covered by waste exemptions. You can register online at the Environment Agency for permits and you must comply with the criteria within the registered exemption.
WHAT SHOULD HAVE BEEN DONE DIFFERENTLY?	As part of your Duty of Care obligations you may need an environmental permit if your establishment or business uses, treats, recovers, stores or disposes of waste. The waste producer and the waste carrier, in undertaking their Duty of Care, should have checked where the waste was going.