

Climate and environmental policy for the Aarsleff Group

The Aarsleff Group's climate and environmental policy supports the Group's goals and ambitions to continuously and purposefully mitigate and adapt to climate change and to minimise our environmental impact. The policy covers work related to emissions, biodiversity and circular economy.

Purpose of the policy

At Aarsleff, we acknowledge that our activities have an impact on the climate and the environment, and that such impacts can represent risks to people, nature, biodiversity and our business.

The purpose of this policy is to support efforts to develop solutions that use the Earth's resources more efficiently, prevent unnecessary environmental impacts, protect nature as effectively as possible and reduce our greenhouse gas emissions. This involves close collaboration with the stakeholders in our value chain and a systematic focus on integrating climate and environmental impacts into our production and our projects.

We are working on a transition plan that covers significant greenhouse gas emissions. The plan describes our key measures within material selection, machinery and equipment fleet, transport, energy supply and collaboration in the value chain.

Our focus areas

In our work with emissions, biodiversity and circular economy, we prioritise the activities in our business and value chain that have significant climate and environmental impacts as well as material business importance.

Raw materials and material consumption

The most significant climate and environmental impacts occur in the value chain, particularly in the extraction of raw materials and the production of the materials used in our projects and production. Therefore, we work to mitigate greenhouse gas emissions and reduce the pressure on nature and biodiversity by increasing the use of recycled building materials and materials with recycled content. This takes place in collaboration with our suppliers, customers and other partners, where we, with a focus on documentation and innovative solutions, aim to promote the use of materials with a lower impact on the climate and the environment.

Energy and transport

We are working to reduce the use of fuels and transition to fossil-free fuels, while increasingly replacing machines and vehicles with electric alternatives. In addition, we are increasing the use of electricity and fossil-free energy sources in projects and production. To reduce unnecessary transport to and from construction sites, we engage in dialogue with suppliers and transport providers on logistics planning and optimisation. We work systematically with data mapping of energy and fuel consumption in order to continuously monitor our climate footprint and target new actions.

Refuse and waste

We are working to reduce our refuse, waste and material consumption as part of a more resource-efficient and circular approach that reflects the principles of the waste hierarchy, where prevention, reuse and recycling are prioritised. This is achieved, among other things, by focusing on purchasing only the quantities of materials required and by ensuring that purchased construction materials are handled and stored properly so that they are not damaged before or during execution. At the same time, we focus on sorting waste into fractions to ensure that as much material as possible is recovered and as little as possible is sent for incineration or landfill. We collect waste data and use it for systematic monitoring and follow-up on our actions.

Nature and biodiversity

We have a responsibility to consider nature and biodiversity throughout all phases of our contracting work. At the locations where we build and construct (on-site), we focus on the mitigation hierarchy and work to avoid and minimise our impacts as well as to restore nature and biodiversity – both on land and at sea. As our most material impacts on nature and biodiversity are associated with the value chain (off-site), we primarily focus our efforts on the responsible use of natural resources.

Climate change adaptation

We work with climate adaptation solutions and continuously assess climate risks such as increased rainfall and other weather-related changes. At our projects and permanent locations, we integrate relevant climate adaptation measures.

Dust, noise and hazardous substances

We work to reduce, phase out and replace hazardous substances that may affect people and the environment. We plan and execute our work to ensure that both work processes and material handling are carried out safely and responsibly. In addition, we seek to minimise noise, dust and other environmental impacts as far as possible through planning, technical solutions, and good working practices – for the benefit of employees, the local community and the surrounding environment. Our approach is based on continuous improvement, and we follow developments in new technologies and solutions with a lower environmental impact.

Our principles

Methods and tools

We take a professional and systematic approach to our climate and environmental efforts by applying internationally recognised frameworks and methods that ensure transparency. Therefore, we use life cycle assessments (LCA), environmental product declarations (EPDs) and other recognised frameworks and methods to analyse our dependencies, impacts, risks and opportunities related to climate, nature and resources.

We base our decisions and planning of actions on reliable data. Data is a prerequisite for ensuring effective and value-creating work with our transition plans and actions, and enables us to systematically identify and monitor significant climate and environmental impacts across projects and our value chain.

Where relevant, we engage experts to ensure well-founded solutions.

Compliance with laws

Applicable international and national regulations and requirements form the framework for our activities, and we work systematically with energy and environmental management and the EU taxonomy.

Our work with climate, energy and environmental matters is integrated into our management systems, and several of the Aarsleff Group's larger companies are certified under the environmental management standard ISO 14001 with integrated energy management in accordance with Executive Order no. 1138 / 2025.

We support the objectives of the Paris Agreement to limit global warming to 1.5°C, as well as the global biodiversity goal “Nature Positive by 2030”.

This policy is operationalised through concrete actions in our projects, production and value chain, based on goals, action plans and ESG reporting in accordance with the CSRD, and is implemented across the Group's companies.

This policy is reviewed when legislation, strategy or our materiality assessment changes significantly.

Planning and consulting

We actively engage with the stakeholders in our value chain and inform our collaborative partners about the Aarsleff Group's climate and environmental policy, so that Aarsleff's considerations become a natural part of our joint efforts. In addition, we will promote dialogue within the industry about new solutions that can reduce climate and environmental impacts.

Expertise and awareness

We expect the employees of the Aarsleff Group to act consciously and responsibly in relation to climate and the environment. To support this, we work to strengthen knowledge and skills and share our experiences and results – both internally through guidelines and training courses, and externally through development and innovation projects in collaboration with knowledge institutions and stakeholders from the building and construction industry.