



FUEL EMISSIONS & AIR QUALITY POLICY

This policy is to assist in protecting air quality through minimising fuel usage, reduction of exhaust emissions and engine idling by employees of Blakes slv ltd.

Air pollution is an immediate and ongoing concern. It impacts health and quality of life. Vehicle exhaust from idling vehicles contributes significantly to air pollution.

It is the policy of Blakes slv ltd that drivers of any vehicle belonging to the business and employees, drive in a professional courteous manner and drive within the legal speed limit at all times. Turn the engine off when a vehicle is stopped for more than 30 seconds, except when in traffic.

Turning the engine off when stopped does not apply for the periods during which idling is necessary under the following circumstances:

1. To provide for the safety of vehicle occupants, such as extreme cold conditions (e.g. to run the heater).
2. To use lift equipment or other equipment necessary for loading/unloading products or goods.
3. When stopped in traffic.
4. When specific traffic, safety, or emergency situations arise.

Except for item 3, when equipment can be run from the battery alone, drivers should refrain from idling unless there is a significant concern of draining the battery.

Avoid excessive acceleration, braking, over-revving, and drive at a safe speed, 50mph is the optimum speed and can reduce fuel consumption by 20%

Try to plan ahead to reduce the number of gear changes, keep the vehicle moving when possible, less fuel is used than moving from standstill.

Use the vehicle cruise control when practical and safe to do so, as this maximises fuel economy.

The nominated FORS fuel champion is the transport manager, who is Ryan Ebbage

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