

## What is EMS?

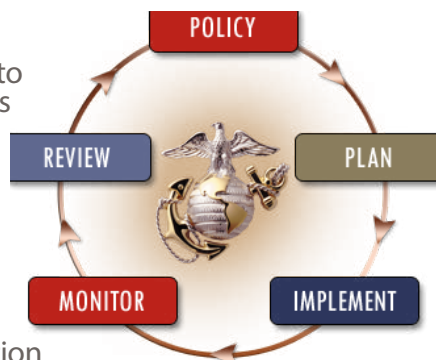
An Environmental Management System (EMS) is a systematic approach to ensuring that environmental activities of an organization are well managed and continuously improving. For example, an EMS can help an organization better meet its compliance requirements. It can also help an organization use materials & resources more efficiently & streamline operations, thereby minimizing the impacts of missions and ensuring sustainability of missions.

## Benefits of the EMS

- Demonstrates commitment to environmental protection
- Aligns environmental management activities with mission priorities
- Reduces mission risk and cost associated with environmental compliance
- Improves communication
- Emphasizes prevention rather than correction

### ACT

Use progress reviews to make needed changes



### CHECK

Monitor progress and use corrective action

### PLAN

Identify targets and objectives in planning

### DO

Implement training and operational controls

## MCLB Barstow Sustainability and Environmental Policy

The Sustainability and Environmental Policy is a document signed by the MCLB Barstow Commanding Officer (CO) that states MCLB Barstow's commitment to environmental excellence and sensible use of resources.

Essentially, the Sustainability and Environmental Policy says we shall:

- Commit to Environmental Compliance and Protection,
- Prevent Pollution,
- Use Environmentally Friendly Products,
- Reduce Energy, Fuel, and Water Consumption,
- Protect Natural and Cultural Resources
- Continuous Improvement

## Success Depends on Everyone

A successful EMS requires everyone's participation. With our involvement we can improve environmental performance and enhance the MCLB Barstow mission, ensuring resources are available well into the future.



ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT SYSTEM (EMS)  
WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO YOU?

## Environmental Management is Everyone's Responsibility All MCLB Barstow personnel must:

- Learn about any possible environmental impacts that may be related to our duties.
- By improving our job performance, our impacts on the environment can be minimized.
- Know our roles and responsibilities, including our role in emergency preparedness and response.
- Understand that there are possible consequences of not following procedures; consequences that can cause environmental problems for us and/or our community.
- What can I do to minimize my impacts to the environment?



### Significant Aspects Aboard MCLB Barstow

- Hazardous Waste Generation
- Air Emissions
- Hazardous Materials Use

### Significant Practices Aboard MCLB Barstow

- Hazardous Waste Accumulation Areas
- Painting Operations
- Fuel Management/Storage Tanks

### MCLB Barstow Environmental Objectives

- Reduce risk of environmental regulatory noncompliance
- Reduce energy intensity /use
- Reduce water consumption
- Maintain solid waste diversion rate

## EMS Overview

The EMS helps organizations integrate environmental goals into day-to-day operations. It helps identify the environmental aspects of the mission, highlight areas of risk, promote pollution prevention, and track progress toward environmental goals. The EMS is designed to improve environmental and mission performance while reducing environmental risk and costs.

If you have any questions about EMS or MCLB Barstow's Environmental Programs, you may call (760) 577-6173.