

PART 2.

SUSTAINMENT



After initial deployment, you should plan to maintain a **NO-CONTAMINATION BASE CAMP**. You can do this by applying two basic concepts **MONITORING & HOUSEKEEPING**. This section provides you with checklists to cover the basics of monitoring and housekeeping. But first a brief discussion about what these two concepts mean:

1. MONITORING

Perform regular inspections of the common HM/HW areas to ensure that environmental protection measures are properly applied.

2. HOUSEKEEPING

As you perform your inspections, be sure that the environmental protection measures in place are kept clean and orderly. Proper housekeeping is key to maintaining a **no-contamination Base Camp!**

An easy way to remember the **what** to check while monitoring and housekeeping is to remember your **CHECKlist**:

Containment: Is secondary containment used and in good condition?

HM/HW locations: Have the locations for your HM/HW areas been well chosen and have warning signs been put up? Are they clean and orderly?

Environmental Documentation: Are MSDSs, Unit SOPs and Spill Response Plans maintained?

Containers: Are your containers in good condition and are the lids kept closed when not in use?

Kits: Did you place spill kits, first aid kits and emergency response kits in and around the HM/HW areas?

The CHECK lists on the following pages provide detailed reminders of what to keep tabs on in specific HM/HW areas: Vehicle Fueling & Maintenance Areas; HW Collection Points; and HM Supply & Storage Areas.

Vehicle Fueling Points & Maintenance Areas

Containment:

___ Place drip pans or absorbent pads under vehicles and place refueling nozzle in a drip pan.

___ Ensure that POL storage and waste areas have secondary containment and that they are in good condition.

___ Empty water within the secondary containment and dispose of it as HW -- at the HW collection point.

HM/HW locations:

___ Make sure POL and Fuel storage areas are located away from living areas, bunkers, ammunition storage and dining areas and kept clean and orderly.

___ The first thing you should see when you approach HM/HW areas are warning signs. You must be able to read these signs from 50 feet away.



Environmental Documentation:

___ Maintain MSDSs for each HM and keep Spill Response Plans and Unit SOPs handy.

___ Label and date waste accumulation containers.

Containers

___ Keep lids on containers when not in use and make sure that containers do not leak.

___ Empty containers in the vehicle maintenance HW collection points when or before they are full.

___ Keep containers of incompatible materials separate and orderly.

Kits:

___ Order new PPE, dry sweep, prevention tools and spill kits, if needed.

___ Use gloves and goggles during fueling operations.

HW Collection Points

Containment:

___ Ensure secondary containment is in good condition.

___ Empty water within the secondary containment and dispose of water as HW

-- at the HW collection point.

HM/HW locations:

___ Locate collection areas away from living areas, bunkers, ammunition storage and dining areas. Keep these areas clean and orderly.

___ The first thing you should see when you approach HW areas are warning signs. You must be able to read these signs from 50 feet away.

___ Keep areas clean and eliminate any hazards that could cause people to trip or fall.

Environmental Documentation:

___ Keep Spill Response Plans and Unit SOPs handy.

___ Label and date waste accumulation containers.

Containers

___ Check containers for leaks.

___ Empty HW from containers when they are full.

___ Make sure that lids are kept on containers when not in use.

___ Keep things in order. Batteries, aerosol cans, waste oils, solvents and other solid waste must be kept separate from liquid waste.



Kits:

___ Order new PPE, dry sweep, prevention tools and spill kits if needed.

___ Keep spill response equipment in good condition and make sure it is accessible.

HM Supply & Storage Areas

Containment:

___ Ensure secondary containment is in good condition.

___ Empty water within the secondary containment and dispose of it as HW -- at the HW collection point.



HM/HW locations:

___ Locate storage areas away from living areas, bunkers, ammunition storage and dining areas.

___ The first thing you should see when you approach these areas are warning signs. You must be able to read these signs from 50 feet away.

___ Keep locations clean and orderly and eliminate any hazards that could cause people to trip or fall.

Environmental Documentation:

___ Keep Spill Response Plans and Unit SOPs handy.

___ Label and date waste accumulation containers.

___ Keep inventory of incoming and outgoing materials.



Containers

___ Keep things in order and keep incompatible materials separately stored.

___ Make sure that lids are kept on containers when not in use.

Kits:

___ Order new PPE, dry sweep, spill kits and prevention tools, if needed.

___ Keep spill response equipment in good condition and make sure it is accessible.

Other Areas

Containment:

___ Maintain secondary containment for the following items:

- tent heaters;
- pot belly stoves;
- generators;
- light sets



HM/HW locations:

___ Locate the above listed items appropriately and keep the surrounding areas clean and orderly.

Environmental Documentation:

___ Maintain spill response plans and Unit SOPs.

Containers

___ Make sure that containers are in good condition.

Kits:

___ Order new PPE, dry sweep, spill kits, and prevention tools, if needed.

___ Keep spill response equipment in good condition