

Malaria Consortium Environment Policy



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1 Purpose and context

As an international NGO focused on improving health in Africa & Asia, through evidence-based programmes that combat targeted diseases and promote universal health coverage some of our global activities will in certain ways impact on the environment. This policy sets out our commitment to address those environmental issues that may arise as the result of our operations. This policy is not intended to cover all the issues of the potential impact of environmental and climate change on Malaria Consortium programmes, as these are addressed in our separate paper on climate change which can be made available on request to relevant external parties.

2 Principles

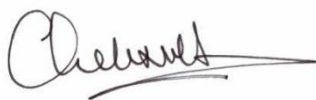
Malaria Consortium will:

- a. Actively promote best practice approaches within programmes to minimise negative impacts on the environment, including, but not limited to:
 - i. Supporting effective, judicious use of insecticides/larvicides
 - ii. Increasing access to prevention and treatment in the community
 - iii. Planning for effective handling of medical waste
- b. Minimise waste by evaluating operations and ensuring they are as sensibly efficient as possible based on current approaches and maximise energy efficiency in offices
- c. Seek to support surveillance in countries where we programme, that demonstrates the impact of change in the climate and environment
- d. Maximise use of communications technology to reduce unnecessary travel – both our own and that of the communities, institutions, and partners we work with
- e. Actively participate in and promote recycling both internally and amongst those we work with
- f. Source and promote equipment and products that minimise the environmental impact of their production, distribution and use.
- g. Meet or exceed any environmental legislation that relates to the Organisation/Sector.

3 Scope

This policy applies to all Malaria Consortium staff, volunteers, interns, trustees and consultants and to implementation partners.

This policy is adopted on signature of the Chief Executive, following endorsement by the Board and will be reviewed every 3 years



Charles Nelson, Chief Executive