

Risk Assessment for Sites in Water-Stressed Areas and High Biodiversity Value Habitats

Direct Operations

- Smiths Group will ensure that broader environmental considerations, including biodiversity and water-stress are embedded into the property portfolio committee's due diligence processes when selecting new sites.
- All sites under operational control have been evaluated for biodiversity-related impacts and proximity to critical/high biodiversity value habitats based on site geolocation data using the WWF Biodiversity Risk Filter Suite Tool, in addition to other tools e.g. SBTN.
- All sites under operational control have been assessed for current and future water stress using the WRI Aqueduct tool, based on site-geolocation data.
- Analysis across our sites relating to water-stress and biodiversity-sensitive areas is to be updated annually, accounting for future site openings or business acquisitions.
- Improving the data disclosure relating to water-stressed sites and biodiversity impacts.

Suppliers

- Smiths Group will leverage data insights from EcoVadis to allow us to identify suppliers with high environmental risks and impacts, serving as a screening criteria for supplier selection.
- From FY26, we will be engaging suppliers on a range of sustainability related topics, including biodiversity, encouraging them to consider the full value chain biodiversity impacts, data gathering and target setting.
- Our supplier environmental questionnaire details biodiversity criteria e.g. whether the company has a biodiversity programme, has identified biodiversity-related impacts, risks and dependencies, and whether they operate in high-value biodiversity areas.
- We continue to explore other tools to help us identify upstream water and biodiversity-related risks, impacts and dependencies.

Metrics and Targets

Biodiversity

- From FY25, Smiths will disclose the number of sites in biodiversity-sensitive areas and water-stressed areas.
- Implement 30 on-site biodiversity projects between FY25-FY27 across all business divisions.

Water

- From FY25, Smiths will update and disclose the number of sites in water-stressed areas and report the annual water withdrawal and consumption specific to our water-stressed sites.
- Implement 30 on-site water projects between FY25-FY27 across all business divisions.