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# Fruit and Vegetable Processing Industry

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## **List of Acronyms**

<b>BOD</b>	Biological Oxygen Demand
<b>CAPMAS</b>	Central Agency for Public Mobilization and Statistics
<b>CO</b>	Carbon Monoxide
<b>COD</b>	Chemical Oxygen Demand
<b>EMS</b>	Environmental Management System
<b>O&amp;G</b>	Oil and Grease
<b>SIC</b>	Standard Industrial Classification
<b>SM</b>	Self-Monitoring
<b>SMS</b>	Self-Monitoring system
<b>SO<sub>x</sub></b>	Sulfur Oxides
<b>TDS</b>	Total Dissolved Solids
<b>UHT</b>	Ultra High Temperature
<b>WWTP</b>	Wastewater Treatment Plant
<b>μm</b>	Micro meter 10 <sup>-6</sup> m
<b>VOCs</b>	Volatile Organic Compounds
<b>NO<sub>x</sub></b>	Nitrogen Oxides
<b>CFCs</b>	Chloro-fluoro carbon
<b>MHUUC</b>	Ministry of Housing, utilities and urban Communities
<b>CP</b>	Cleaner Production
<b>Eop</b>	End-of-pipe

## 1. INTRODUCTION

The Egyptian Pollution Abatement Project (EPAP) sponsored by FINIDA has assigned Finish and Egyptian consultants for the task of developing Sector specific inspection and monitoring guidelines. This task is based on a previous collaboration between FINIDA and EPAP that resulted in the development of four Inspection Guidelines:

- Fundamentals and Background Manual that provides basic information about air pollution, wastewater characteristics, solid waste, hazardous materials and wastes and work environment.
- Guidelines for Inspectorate Management that discusses the strategy, objectives and tasks of the inspectorate management.
- Guidelines for Team Leaders that identifies the team leader responsibilities and tasks.
- Guidelines for Inspectors that presents a methodology for performing all types of inspection. Tasks during the various phases of planning, performing field inspection, report preparation and follow-up are discussed. Several checklists are included.

The three guidelines were later summarized into one that will be referred to as the Inspection Guidelines. A General Inspection Manual, GIM, is being developed covering aspects common to all sectors.

On the other hand, EPAP realized the need to introduce the concept of self-monitoring, as it provides useful information to the plant's management on the production efficiency as well as the environmental status. Self-monitoring should cover, as a minimum, the monitoring of the releases to the environment including emissions to air, wastewater, solid waste and hazardous waste. A comprehensive self-monitoring plan may cover process parameters that would affect the environmental impacts. Such plan would assist the management to identify sources of waste, prevent pollution at the source, reduce emissions, and achieve economic benefits.

Therefore, a Self-Monitoring Guidebook was also developed to present the industrial community, the consultants, and government officials with the general principles and both managerial and technical aspects to be followed for self-monitoring. The textile industry was chosen as a case study for implementing and testing the manual and a self-monitoring manual for this industry was developed.

## **1.1 Preface**

The developed manuals were tested through a number of training programs that targeted RBOs and EMUs. The inspectors involved in the training used these manuals to inspect a number of industrial facilities. Feedback from the concerned parties led to the improvement of these manuals and their continuous update. There was clearly a need for sector-specific guidelines, and EPAP took the initiative to develop such manuals. Five sectors were chosen:

- Food Industry with specific reference to the five sub-sectors of Dairy products, Vegetables and Fruit processing, Grain Milling, Carbonated Beverages and Confectionery.
- Pulp and Paper Industry
- Metallurgical Industry with specific reference to the two sub-sectors of Iron and Steel and Aluminum.
- Engineering Industry with specific reference to Motor Vehicles Assembly and Fabricated Metals industries.
- Textile Industry.

### **1.1.1. Project objectives**

The project aims at the development of sector-specific guidelines for inspection and monitoring to be used by inspectors and plant personnel respectively. These manuals are meant to be simplified but without abstention of any information necessary to the targeted users. Flowcharts, tables and highlighted notes are used for easy representation of information.

With respect to the food industry, each sub-sector will have two distinct manuals one for inspection and the other for self-monitoring. Description of the industry, pollution aspects and relevant environmental laws will be similar for both manuals. Each manual will be, as much as possible a stand-alone with occasional cross-reference to the General Guidelines previously developed to avoid undue repetitions.

### **1.1.2 Organization of the manual**

The self-monitoring manual for the fruits and vegetables industry includes eleven chapters. The first chapter represents an introduction to the whole project and to the specific sub-sector of the industry. Chapters 2 to 5 deal with the fruits and vegetables industry and its environmental impacts.

The description of the industry in Chapter two includes the inputs and outputs, a description of the different production lines with their specific inputs and outputs. In addition, it also includes a brief description of the service and auxiliary units that could be present at the industrial establishment with their potential sources of pollution and the various emissions, effluents and solid wastes generated from the different processes.

Chapter 3 describes the environmental and health impacts of the various pollutants whereas Chapter 4 gives a summary of the articles in the Egyptian environmental laws relevant to the fruits and vegetables industry. Chapter 5 gives examples of pollution abatement techniques and measures applicable to the fruits and vegetables industry.

The information and steps needed to establish of a self-monitoring system are detailed in chapter 6-11 inclusive. A reasonably detailed introduction to the definition, objectives, benefits of self-monitoring are presented in Chapter 6, in addition to the link between self-monitoring and each of environmental management system and cleaner production. Chapter 7 deals with the aspects of planning of self-monitoring. Monitoring of raw materials is discussed in Chapter 8, while operation control aspects are discussed in Chapter 9. Environmental monitoring is described in Chapter 10. Chapter 11 is dealing with data collection, data processing and data usage. It is worth mentioning that there will be a frequent need of referring to other sources of information in order to plan, implement, and operate an effective and sustainable self-monitoring system. Therefore, references pertinent to subject matter will be mentioned. In addition, need may arise, in some instances where plant personnel are advised to call for external consultation in order to establish a proper, effective, and sustainable self-monitoring system.

## **1.2 Introduction to the fruit and vegetable processing industry**

The fruit and vegetable processing industry is a major enterprise in Egypt, occupying a significant place in food supply. This industry has been identified as an important contributor to the pollution of waterways especially when large industrial establishments are involved as well as solid waste.

### **1.2.1 Egyptian SIC code for the fruit and vegetable processing industry**

The Standard Industrial Classification (SIC) code for the food industry is 15 and the fruit and vegetable processing industries are part of sub-sector 154, which includes other food industries as well.

The CAPMAS (Central Agency for Public Mobilization and Statistics) 1997 data, which is based on the 1996 census, shows that the total number of facilities is 18842.

### **1.2.2 Industry size distribution**

Table 1 presents a classification of the facilities by manpower for Egypt. Manpower is an indicator for the facility size, although modern facilities employ fewer workers for the same production rate. It is clear from the table that 94% of the facilities are operating with less than 10 workers and 0.9% have more than 40 employees.

**Table 1: Size distribution of facilities in of sub-sector 154**

<b>Manpower</b>	1	2	3	4	5	6-10	11-15	16-20	21-25	26-30	31-40	41-50	51-100	101-500	501-1000
<b>No of facilities</b>	1516	1631	2128	2491	8430	1554	492	183	97	98	39	85	72	11	15

## 2. DESCRIPTION OF THE INDUSTRY

The fruit and vegetable processing industry is characterized by the multitude of products and therefore production lines. Plants can have as few as one or two production lines or all of them.

Service and ancillary units provide water and energy requirements as well as maintenance, storage, packaging, testing and analysis needs. Because of the nature of fruit and vegetable industry, which is susceptible to microbial spoilage, equipment is characterized by designs which facilitate hygienic operation, easy cleaning and sterilization. While many older plants use open equipment and batch processing, modern facilities use closed systems operated continuously for periods up to 24 hours. Shut down for cleaning is generally required at least once per day.

### 2.1 Raw materials, products and utilities.

The main *raw materials* used are categorized as follows :

- Fruits such as mangoes, figs, dates, pears, apples, oranges, strawberries, apricots, grapefruit, tomatoes, lemons, pineapples and peaches.
- Vegetables such as okra, molokhya, sweet potatoes, potatoes, artichoke, and string beans.
- Beans such as peas, lentils, and fava beans, black-eyed beans.
- Other materials such as citric acid, concentrates, honey, sugar, molasses, pectin, inks, varnish, solvents, soldering flux, sodium benzoate, rubber, and aluminum.

*Chemicals* are consumed at the facility for different purposes:

- In the lab for quality control and effluent analyses such as organic solvents (ether, chloroform), acids, alkalis, culture media for microbial growth.
- For pH control such as dilute hydrochloric acid, sodium hydroxide
- For corrosion inhibition.
- As additives such as sodium benzoate and citric acid
- As detergents and antiseptics for cleaning and sterilization (sodium hydroxide, nitric acid, sodium hypochlorite).

*Lube oil* is used in the garage and workshops.

Different types of *packaging materials* are also used (aluminum foil, plastic containers, tin sheets).

*Steam* is generated in boilers that use either mazot (fuel oil), solar (gas oil) or natural gas as fuel. Steam is used for providing heat requirements and in some large facilities for electric power generations.

*Water* is used as process water, as rinse water for equipment and floor, as boiler feed water, as cooling water and for domestic purposes. Boiler grade water is pretreated in softeners to prevent scale formation.

Water may be supplied from public water lines, wells or canals. The type of water will dictate the type of pretreatment.

Some plants manufacture their own containers. Tin can manufacturing plants could be present in some facilities. Big facilities can also include a housing complex generating domestic wastewater.

*Note: Defining the inputs and outputs helps predict the expected pollutants.*



## 2.2 Production lines

Table 2 presents the various production lines and service units that could be present in a facility.

*Note: Knowledge of the processes involved in each production line and units allows the prediction of pollution hazards and expected violations and helps determine possibilities for implementing cleaner technology.*

**Table 2. Production lines and service units in fruit and vegetable processing**

Production Lines	Service Units
Tomato paste production line Frozen vegetables and fruit production line Juice and syrup production line. Jam production line Canned fava beans production line Canned vegetables production line Lentil soup production line Agar production line	Boilers Cooling towers Refrigerators Tin can manufacturing plant Laboratory Mechanical & electrical workshops Garage Storage facilities. Wastewater Treatment Plant Restaurant and Housing complex.

### 2.2.1. Tomato paste production line:

Figure (1) presents the main operations in the production line, the inputs to the units and the pollution sources. The line is operated either on a semi-continuous or on batch basis. The main processes are:

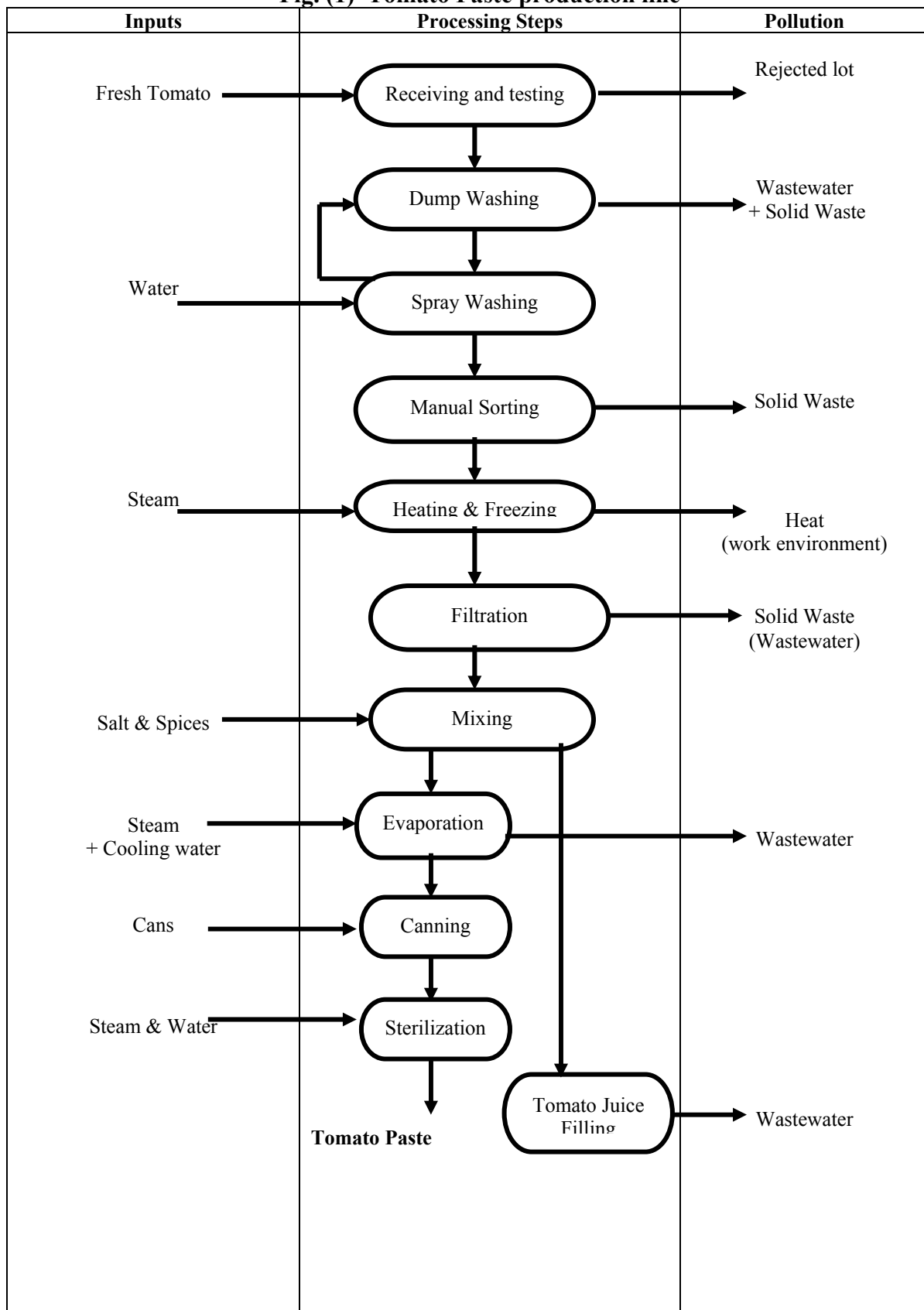
<b>Receiving of fresh tomatoes</b>	Tomatoes are received in containers. They are visually tested for quality. If accepted they are dumped into a washing basin.
<b>Washing of fresh tomatoes</b>	Tomatoes are washed using clean water and water from secondary wash. Air /steam is introduced to improve mixing. Tomatoes are transported by belt conveyors to a secondary wash zone that uses sprays of clean water for a final wash. Wash water is recycled (Clean In Place, CIP system) after allowing the sedimentation of dirt, settleable and suspended impurities. Floating material is removed manually with a net. Some facilities use rotary filters for both types of impurities.
<b>Manual sorting</b>	Workers seated on both sides of the moving belt conduct visual inspection. They sort and discard rotten tomatoes. Solid waste from this step is a potential pollution source.
<b>Preparation of tomato juice</b>	Tomatoes are then fed to a large jacketed vessel where they are heated with indirect steam (in the jacket) and squeezed. A sieve separates the juice, which is fed to the evaporators for concentration after addition of salt.
<b>Concentration of</b>	Concentration must be performed under vacuum so that vaporization can be achieved at low temperature (about 65°C). The

<b><i>tomato juice</i></b>	vaporization temperature is an important quality control parameter. A higher temperature will cause overcooking (brown color). Vacuum is produced by barometric leg condensers, which use large amounts of cooling water. The waste cooling water is hot (60°C) and will be contaminated with organic matter since it comes in direct contact with the water vapors from the tomato juice.
<b><i>Canning and sterilization</i></b>	The tomato paste is then canned, sealed and sterilized using successive heating and cooling methods. The sterilizers use water heated with live steam that fills the workplace then cooling water. Heat and humidity limits for work environment should be checked.
<b><i>Tomato juice production</i></b>	Sometimes the same line is used to prepare tomato juice adding salt to the cooked juice. The juice is packed, sterilized, and stored.

***Note: Find out:***

- What happens to tomato reject ?
- When is the CIP basin emptied?
- What type of detergent and/or antiseptic is used?
- Are there screens on the gutter to prevent solids discharge to sewer?
- What happens to the solid waste from the filtration unit?
- How is sterilization performed? In open or closed equipment?

**Fig. (1) Tomato Paste production line**



### 2.2.2 Frozen vegetables production line

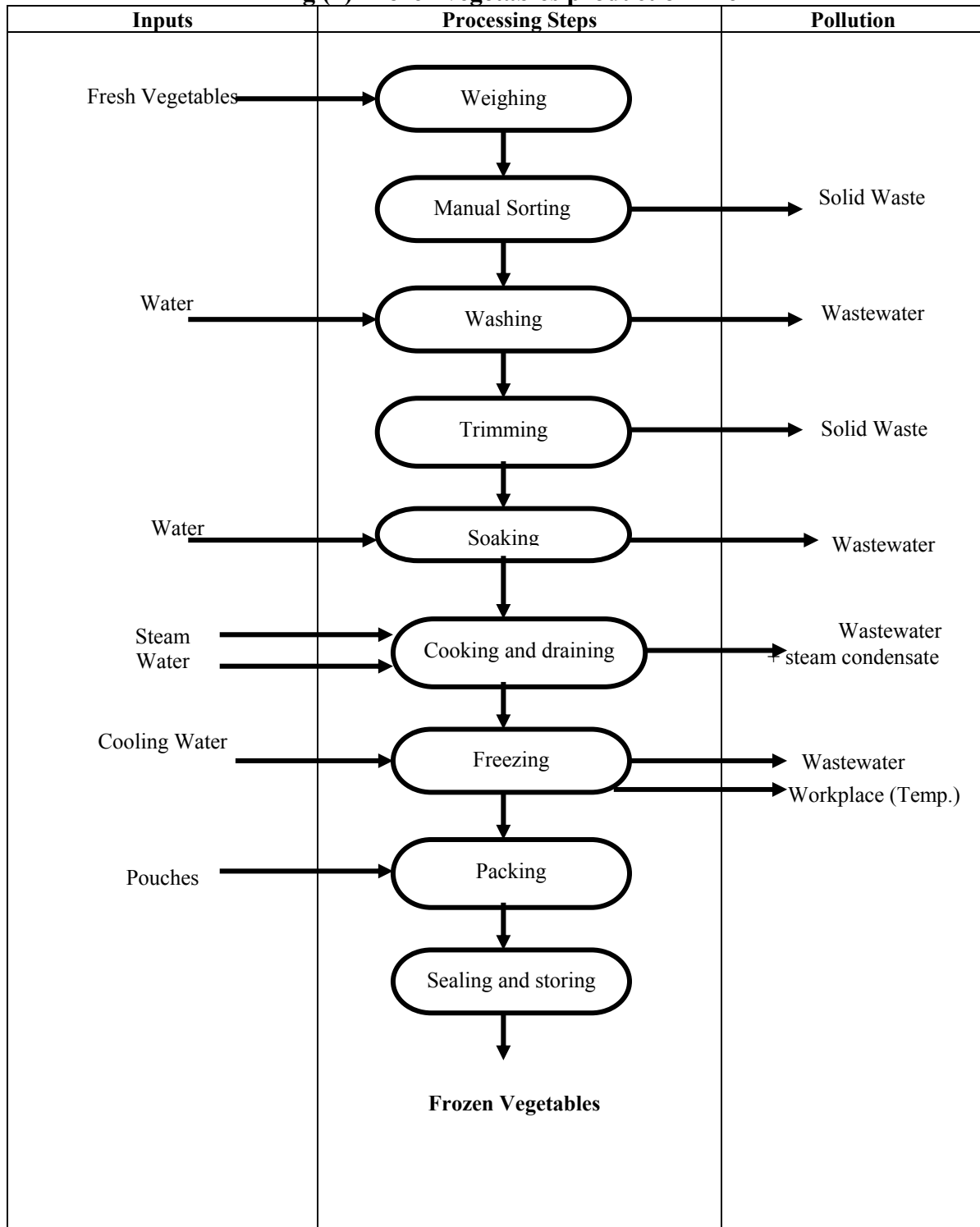
Figure (2) presents the main operations in the production line, the inputs to the units and the pollution sources. The main processes are:

<b><i>Receiving and washing</i></b>	Fresh vegetables are weighed and manually sorted. They are then dumped in a water basin using re-circulated water and then washed by a water spray while transported on a belt conveyor. The wash-water from spraying operation is used as make up to the basin, which is continuously purged. The wastewater from this operation is high in suspended solids, BOD and floating material such as hay.
<b><i>Preparation</i></b>	The vegetables are peeled, trimmed and cut depending on the type of vegetable. This step generates a large amount of solid waste. Another washing step is performed, by dumping the prepared vegetables in water.
<b><i>Cooking and freezing</i></b>	<p>The prepared vegetables are partially cooked in a jacketed vessel where steam is introduced in the jacket to provide heat. Some facilities use live steam injected directly in the vessel.</p> <p>The half-cooked vegetables are strained. Cold water (5-6° C) is passed over the half cooked vegetables and then introduced on a belt conveyor into a tunnel freezer where quench cooling occurs at a temperature less than -20°C. This process takes 20 minutes and preserves the vegetables. Only the outer surface of the vegetables freezes without affecting its properties. Boiled molokhya leaves are minced and packed prior freezing. Heat and humidity could impact work environment if steam leaks occur.</p>
<b><i>Packaging and storing</i></b>	Frozen vegetables are packed manually in pouches and stored in freezers. Cooling water is used for the compressors of the freezers. Freon (commercial name for CFCs) and ammonia are usually used as a refrigerant.

*Note : The sources of pollution are:*

- Waste water from the washing and cooking steps.
- Solid waste from vegetable preparation.
- Spent cooling water.
- Humidity, if steam leaks occur, and noise at the compressors.

**Fig (2) Frozen vegetables production line**

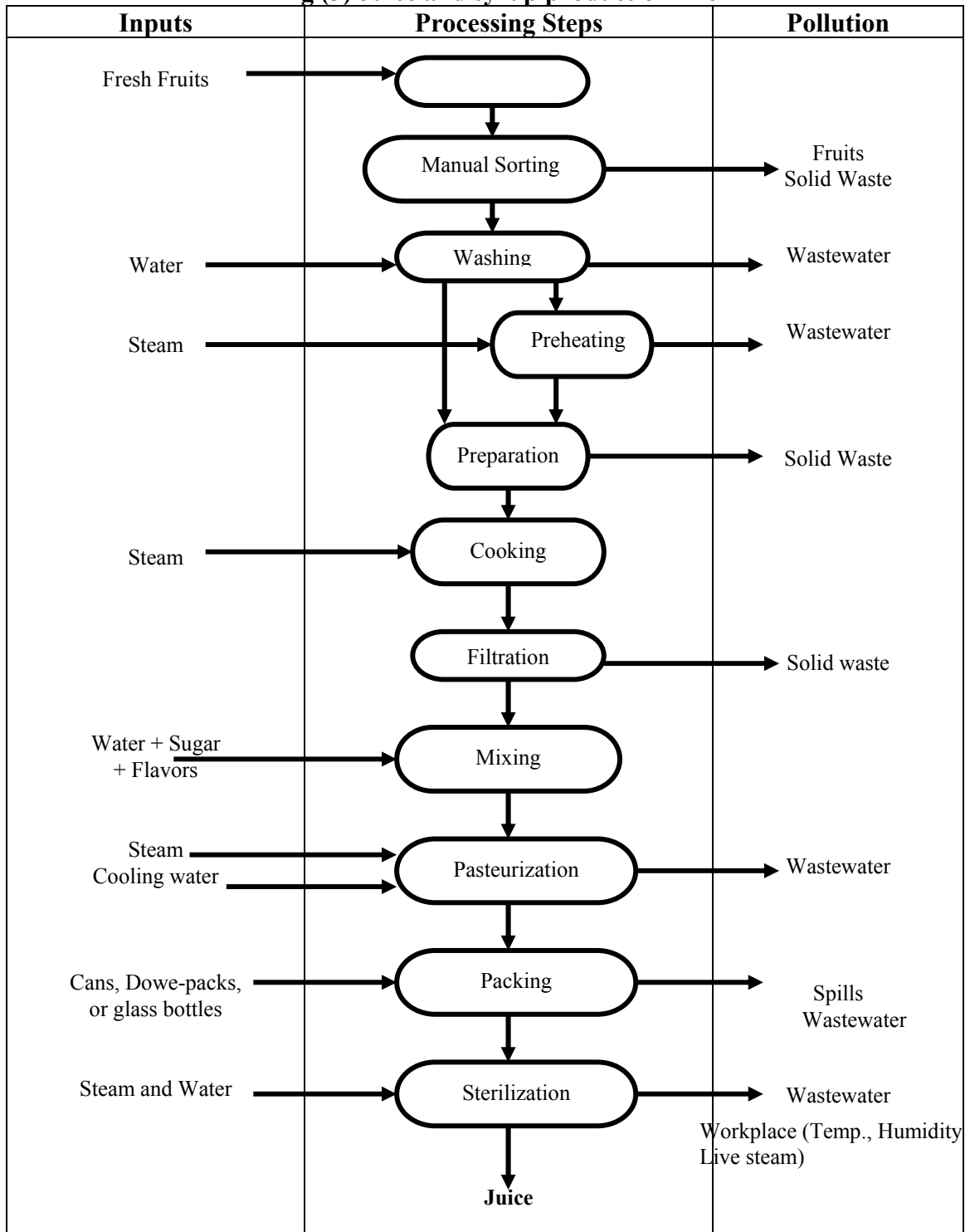


### 2.2.3 Juice and syrup production line

Figure (3) presents the main operations in the production line, the inputs to the units and the pollution sources. The juice is prepared from fresh fruits when in season, otherwise stored juice concentrate is used. The main processes are:

<b><i>Fruit sorting and washing</i></b>	Fresh fruits are delivered in boxes, which are emptied on a long belt conveyor where manual sorting takes place. Rejected fruits are discarded as solid waste. The fruits are dump usually-washed in a basin and come out of the basin on an inclined conveyor that moves the fruits under a spray of fresh water for final washing. The basin is emptied daily. The wastewater generated is high in suspended solids and organic matter.
<b><i>Preparation</i></b>	Fruits are peeled and pitted either manually or automatically. Some fruits need to be preheated for easier pip and seed removal. The equipment usually used is a steam jacketed screw conveyor.
<b><i>Cooking and fiber removal</i></b>	<p>The fruits are then cooked for <math>\frac{3}{4}</math> of an hour, in a steam-jacketed drum at 100°C. Steam condensate is generated and discharged to sewer</p> <p>The batch is then fed to a centrifugal to separate pulp and uncooked material from the juice. The solid waste from this step is sold as animal fodder.</p>
<b><i>Dilution and sugar addition</i></b>	The batch is diluted to the syrup or the juice concentration then sugar is added in steam-jacketed mixers (more sugar is needed for syrup preparation), where temperature reaches 70°C.
<b><i>Pasteurization</i></b>	Pasteurization takes place in a plate-type heat exchanger by successive heating to 100°C then sudden cooling using cooling water.
<b><i>Packing and sterilization</i></b>	<p>Juice is filled in glass bottles, tin cans or Dowepack. Syrup is filled in glass bottles. Glass bottles are washed prior filling generating large amounts of wastewater. Juice and syrup losses from the filling machines are responsible for the organic load of the generated wastewater in this line.</p> <p>Sterilization is performed in covered troughs or in autoclaves.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Troughs:</b> The sealed cans and bottles are placed on a belt conveyor that passes in a loosely covered trough filled with water. The first part of the trough is heated by live steam that bubbles in the water, which heats up to 100°C, while in the second part sprays of cooling water cause the sudden cooling of the containers. Large amounts of steam fill the workplace.</li><li>• <b>Autoclaves.</b> Heating is performed in closed drums using steam. Then, cooling is preformed using showers of cooling water. Steam release to air is minimal in this case.</li></ul>

**Fig (3) Juice and syrup production line**



#### 2.2.4 Jam production line

Figure (4) presents the main processes in the production line, the inputs to the units and the pollution sources. Jam production goes through the same steps as juice production but instead of water addition, water vaporization takes place.

***Juice preparation*** The steps for sorting, washing, pitting, peeling, preheating if necessary and juice extraction, are performed in the same way as for juice production. The amount of sugar added depends on the type of fruit. Citric acid is added as a preservative.

***Juice concentration*** A multistage evaporator operating under vacuum is used. Vacuum is performed by jet ejectors, which use cooling water to produce the vacuum effect. The pressure in the evaporator reaches 0.2 bars and the temperature 65°C. The lower the pressure the lower the cooking temperature. The concentration system increases the solids concentration in the jam to 65%. Concentration is usually measured using an optical device. A sample is spread on a piece of glass and the device is calibrated to give the reading for the solids concentration.

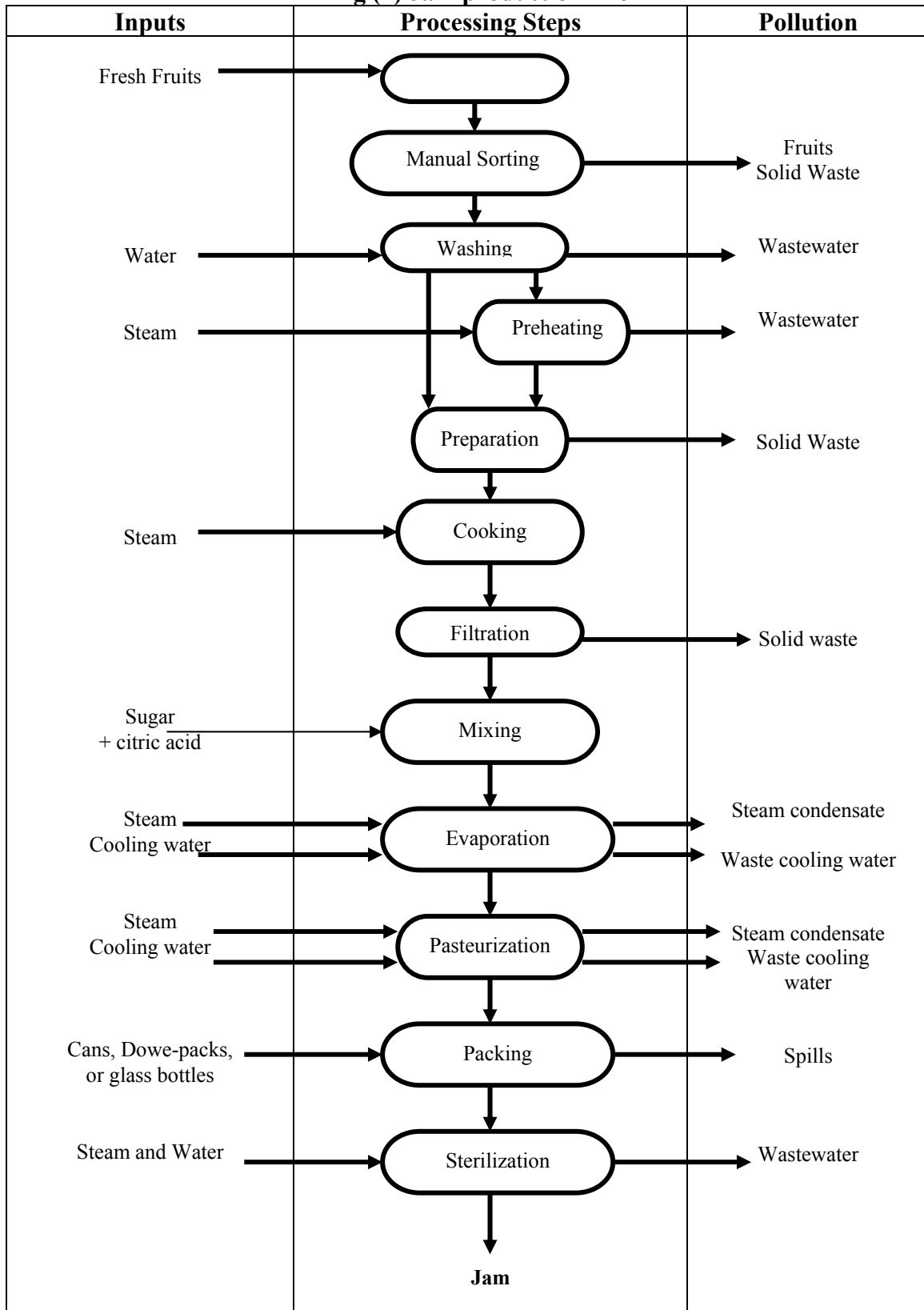
***Pasteurization and packing*** Jam is pasteurized by heating to 90°C for half an hour then suddenly cooling. Both operations are usually performed in the same equipment used for evaporation by passing steam in the jacket at first, then passing cold water. Jam is then packed in glass containers or tin cans the sterilized by the same procedure explained in the previous section.

*Note:*

- The evaporation temperature is an important parameter for quality control.



**Fig (4) Jam production line**



### 2.2.5 Canned beans production line

Figure (5) presents the main processing steps for the production line, the inputs to the units and the pollution sources. The same line is also used for canned peas. These steps are:

<b><i>Sorting and washing of beans</i></b>	Fresh beans are weighed, screened using mechanical shakers to remove any impurities, and sorted manually. They are then washed by soaking in a water basin, and then spray washing. CIP process may be used for water recycling.
<b><i>Soaking and cooking</i></b>	The clean beans are then fed to pots where they are boiled. Heat is supplied either by steam introduced in the pot jacket or direct fire (LPG). When boiling starts, heating is stopped and the beans are left to soak for about 10 hours. Beans are then moved to steam jacketed vessel where they are pre-cooked for 2-3 hours then introduced to the feeding hopper of the canning machine.
<b><i>Packing and sterilizing</i></b>	The canning machine consists of a closed tunnel in which a belt conveyor carries the open cans. At the feeding end, the cans are filled with water and pre-cooked beans. Steam is used in the tunnel to cook the beans as they travel along the tunnel. Oil and spices are then added. At the outlet of the tunnel the cans are sealed, cooled and washed. The cans are then sterilized in an autoclave where they are heated to 100°C using direct steam then suddenly cooled by water sprays.

***Note:***

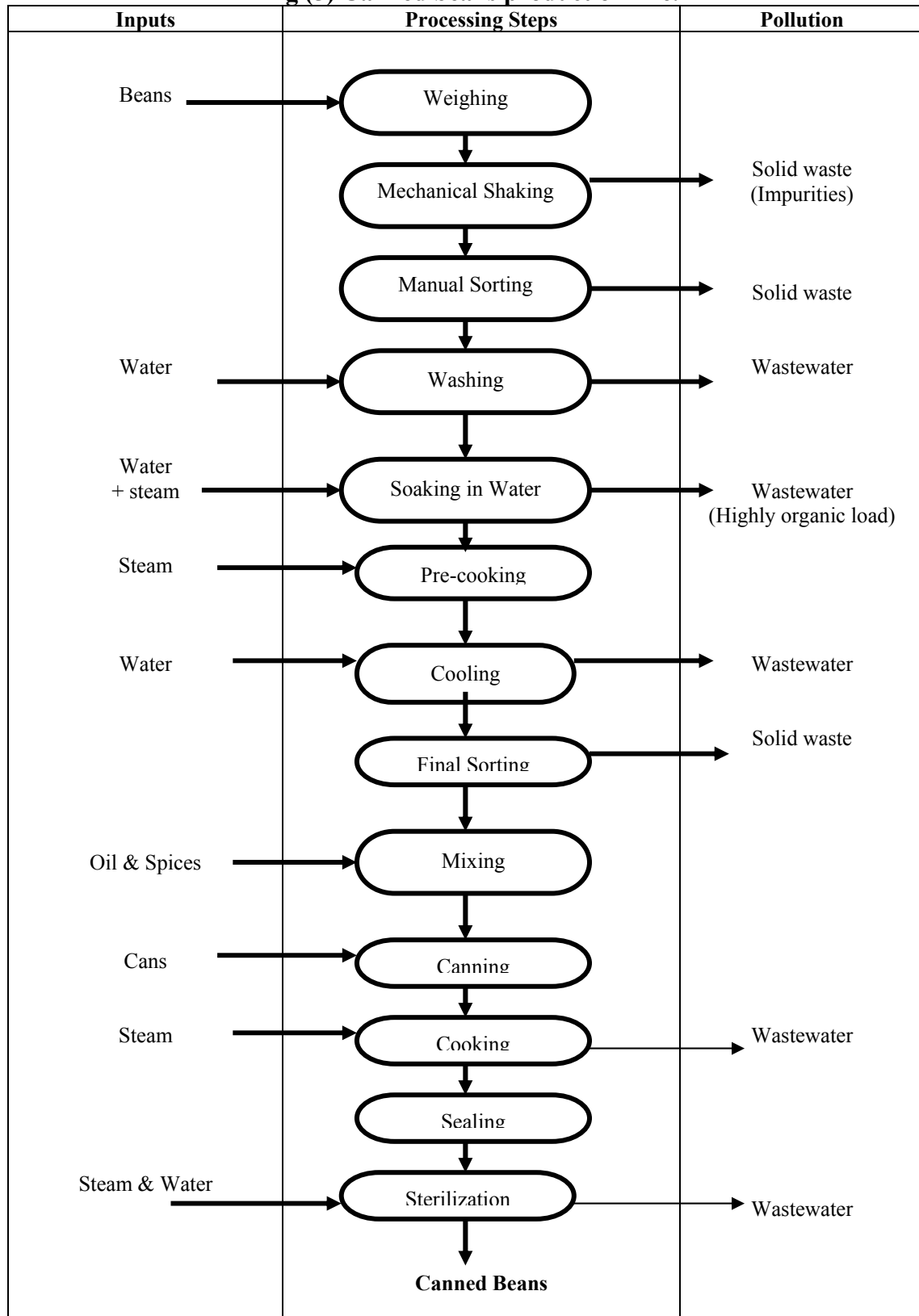
- Raw beans are sprayed with a volatile pesticide that completely evaporates before cooking. Does the law allow the use of this insecticide?
- Soaking removes the sulfur from the beans.

### 2.2.6 Lentil soup production line

Lentil soup production undergoes almost the same processing steps as those for canned beans. The main steps being:

<b><i>Screening, washing and cooking</i></b>	Lentils are first screened to remove impurities, then washed with water, and cooked in steam-jacketed pots. The cooked lentils are drained then spices are added before feeding the lentils to the canning machine.
<b><i>Sterilizing</i></b>	The sealed cans are sterilized in the same manner as for beans.

**Fig (5) Canned beans production line.**



### 2.3. Service units: description and potential pollution sources

Medium and large size plants will have some/all of the following service and auxiliary units. These units can be pollution sources and therefore should be inspected and monitored. Figure (6) shows the various units with their corresponding raw materials and potential pollution sources.

#### 2.3.1. Boilers

Boilers are used to produce steam for:

- heat supply to the processes
- electric power generation

Conventional steam-producing thermal power plants generate electricity through a series of energy conversion stages. Fuel is burned in boilers to convert water to high-pressure steam, which is then used to drive the turbine to generate electricity.

The gaseous emissions generated by boilers are typical of those from combustion processes. The exhaust gases from burning fuel oil (Mazot) or gas oil (solar) contain primarily particulates (including heavy metals if they are present in significant concentrations in the fuel), sulfur and nitrogen oxides (SO<sub>x</sub> and NO<sub>x</sub>) and volatile organic compounds (VOCs). The concentration of these pollutants in the exhaust gases is a function of firing configuration (nozzle design, chimney height), operating practices and fuel composition. Gas-fired boilers generally produce negligible quantities of particulates and pollutants.

Wastewater is generated as blowdown purged from boilers to keep the concentration of dissolved salts at a level that prevents salt precipitation and consequently scale formation. The blowdown will be high in TDS.

Due to bad insulation of boiler body and steam lines, high temperature in the workplace can be observed. In the case of power plants, water is used for cooling the turbines and is also generated as steam condensate. The amount of wastewater generated depends on whether cooling is performed in open or closed cycle and on the recycling of steam condensate. Contamination may arise from lubricating and fuel oil.

#### 2.3.2. Water Treatment Units

There are different types of water used in industry. Depending on the application and the water source, different treatment processes are applied.

- a) ***Water Softening for medium hardness water:*** Calcium and magnesium ions are removed from hard water by cation exchange for sodium ions. When the exchange resin has removed the ions to the limits of its capacity, it is regenerated to the sodium form with a salt solution (sodium chloride) in the pH range of 6-8. This is performed by taking the softener out of service, backwashing with the salt solution, rinsing to eliminate excess salt, then returning it to service. The treated water has a hardness level of less than 1 ppm expressed as calcium carbonate.

- b) *Water softening for very high bicarbonate hardness:*** Water from wells and canals is pre-treated before softening. Water is treated first by the lime process, then by cation exchange. The lime process reduces dissolved solids by precipitating calcium carbonate and magnesium hydroxide from the water. It can reduce calcium hardness to 35 ppm if proper opportunity is given for precipitation. A coagulant such as aluminum sulfate (alum) or ferric sulfate is added to aid magnesium hydroxide precipitation. Calcium hypochlorite is added in some cases. Currently the use of organic polyelectrolytes is replacing many of the traditional inorganic coagulant aid. Sludge precipitates and is discharged to disposal sites whereas the overflowing water is fed to a sand filter followed by an activated carbon filter that removes any substances causing odor and taste. A micro filter can then be used to remove remaining traces. A successful method to accelerate precipitation is contacting previously precipitated sludge with the raw water and chemicals. The sludge particles act as seeds for further precipitation. The result is a more rapid and more complete reaction with larger and more easily settled particles.
- c) *Reverse Osmosis:*** Demineralization can also be performed by reverse osmosis. In this process water is forced through a semi-permeable membrane by applying pressure. (Not widely used in Egypt)

### 2.3.3. Cooling Towers

Cooling water is used extensively in industry. During the cooling process, water heats up and can only be reused if cooled. Cooling towers provide the means for recycling water and thus minimizing its consumption. The cooling effect is performed through partial evaporation. This causes an increase in the concentration of dissolved salts which is controlled by purifying some water (blowdown). The blowdown will be high in TDS.

### 2.3.4. Refrigeration systems

The term refrigeration usually applies to cooling below ambient temperature. Refrigeration operations involve a change in phase of a substance (refrigerant) either ammonia or freon so that it will be capable of abstracting heat. The refrigerant absorbs heat at low temperature by vaporization and gives it up at the condenser. Compressors are used for increasing the pressure of the vaporized refrigerant. The increase in pressure is accompanied by an increase in temperature that enables cooling water to condense the vapor, and the cycle is repeated.

The major pollutants can be:

- Noise from the compressors operation, which can be a violating parameter in the work and ambient environment.
- Waste cooling water, which could be contaminated with lube oil
- Hazardous materials, such as Chloro-Fluoro-Carbons (CFCs), if used as refrigerants.
- The spent lube oil which is used for the compressors.

### 2.3.5. Clean in Place

The Clean in Place (CIP) system consists mainly of a wash tank and recycling pumps. Its main purpose is to minimize wash water consumption by recycling part of the spent wash water. Detergents, acids and/ or alkalis are added to the wash water when equipment washing is performed. In this case, the use of CIP will also minimize the consumption of these additives. For washing fruits and vegetables no additives are used.

After using the spent wash water for a number of cycles, it is discharged to the factory sewer system causing a shock load of pollutants. The nature of the pollutants depends on the material or equipment being washed and the additives used. The most important parameters are O & G, BOD, COD, TSS.

### 2.3.6. Tin Cans Manufacturing

Some food plants have their own tin can production where tin sheets are fed to a cutting and forming machine operating in a continuous mode. The sheets are first lacquered and left to dry. The sheets are then moved to the printing line that uses inks and solvents to print labels. The produced cans are dried in furnaces then sterilized before filling.

Environmental violations could be due to:

- Noise generated by machine operation
- Solid waste resulting from damaged cans and scrap tin.
- Floor washing wastewater contaminated with Oil and Grease from lube oil, paints and solvents(usually only dry cleaning is performed with no wastewater)
- Air emissions (VOC's) in workplace
- Heat generated from paint dryer.

### 2.3.7. Laboratories

Laboratories have an important role in the food industry, as they are responsible for:

- Testing raw materials, chemicals, water, wastewater, packaging material, etc.
- Quality control of the different products and comparing the findings with the standard specifications for raw materials and final products
- The measured parameters are physical properties, chemical composition, and bacteriological counts.

Chemicals used for testing could be hazardous. Proper handling and storage are required for compliance with environmental law.

**Note:**

If the industrial and domestic discharge lines are segregated the wastewater from the lab must be discharged to the industrial line

### **2.3.8. Workshops and Garage**

Large facilities have electrical and mechanical workshops for maintenance and repair purposes. Environmental violations could be due to:

- Noise
- Rinse water contaminated with lube oil
- Spent lube oil

Pollution in the garage area will depend upon the services offered. The presence of a gasoline or diesel station implies fuel storage in underground or over the ground tanks that require leak and spill control plans.

Replacing lube oil implies discharge of spent oil to the sewer lines or selling it to recycling stations.

### **2.3.9. Storage Facilities**

The specifications for the storage facilities depend on the stored material.

- Fresh fruits and vegetables are delivered daily and are stored in shaded areas for not more than 8 hours.
- Canned or bottled products are packed in carton boxes and stored in product storing buildings.
- Frozen vegetables are packaged either in plastic bags and stored at about (-18°C) in freezers.
- Some of the chemicals used in the lab . could be hazardous and require special handling, storage and management procedures as required by law.
- Fuel is used for the boilers and for the cars and delivery trucks. It is stored in underground or over ground tanks. The types of fuel usually used are fuel oil (Mazot), gas oil (solar), natural gas and gasoline. Fuel storage requires safety measures and spill prevention plans.

### **2.3.10. Wastewater Treatment Plants**

Although a WWTP is a pollution abatement measure, it has to be inspected and monitored for potential pollution. Pollution may be due to malfunctioning or improper management . Fruit and vegetable processing discharges mainly wastewater, high in organic load. From time to time peak load will be discharged. They may be due to internal processes, to seasonal fluctuations, to lack of control or a “force majeure” situation such as power collapse.

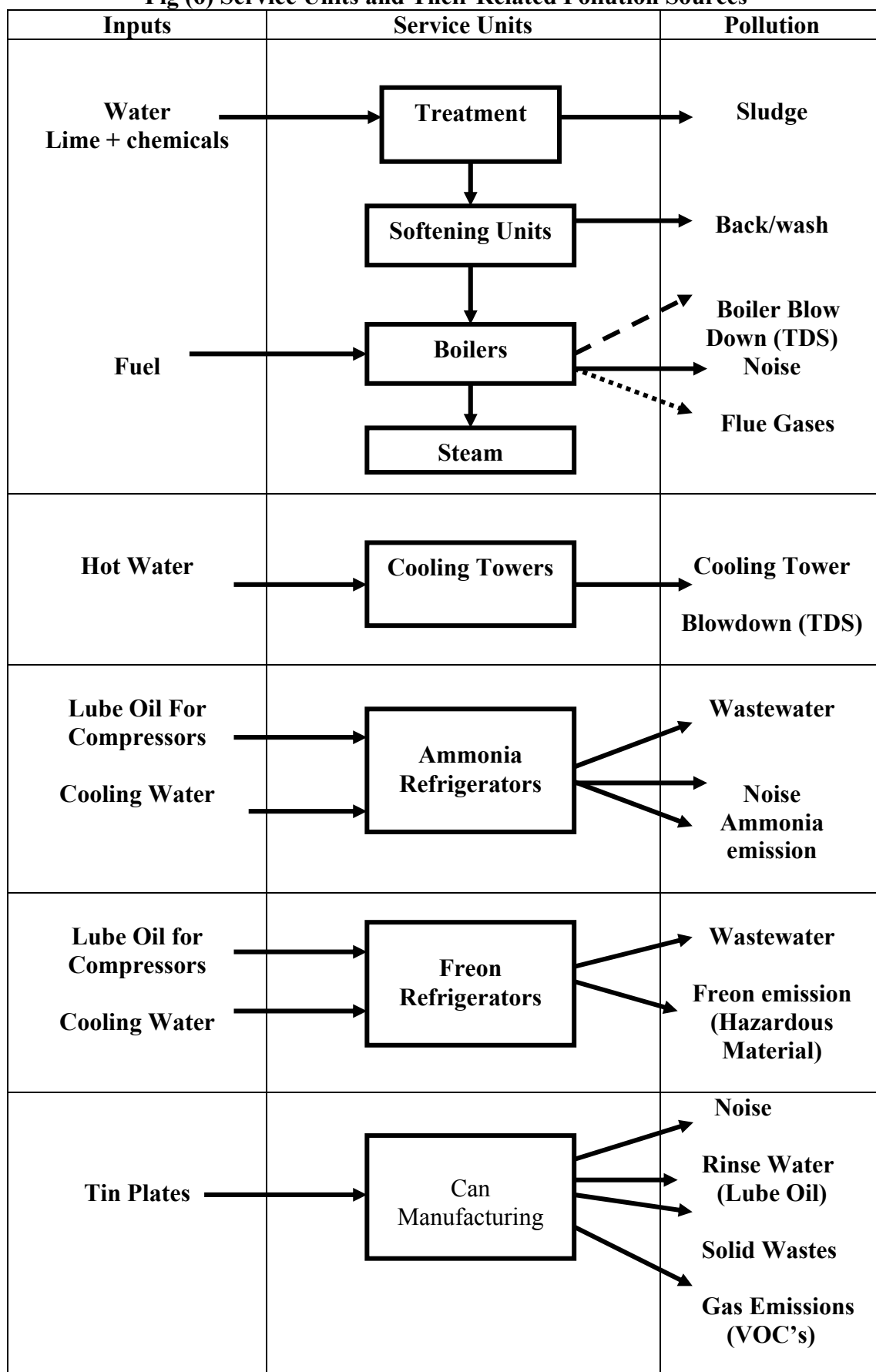
The potential pollution sources are:

- Fruit & vegetable reject and filterate solid waste which can be processed and reused as animal fodder .
- Treated water which represents a water pollution problem if not complying with relevant environmental laws.

### **2.3.11. Restaurants, Washrooms and Housing Complex**

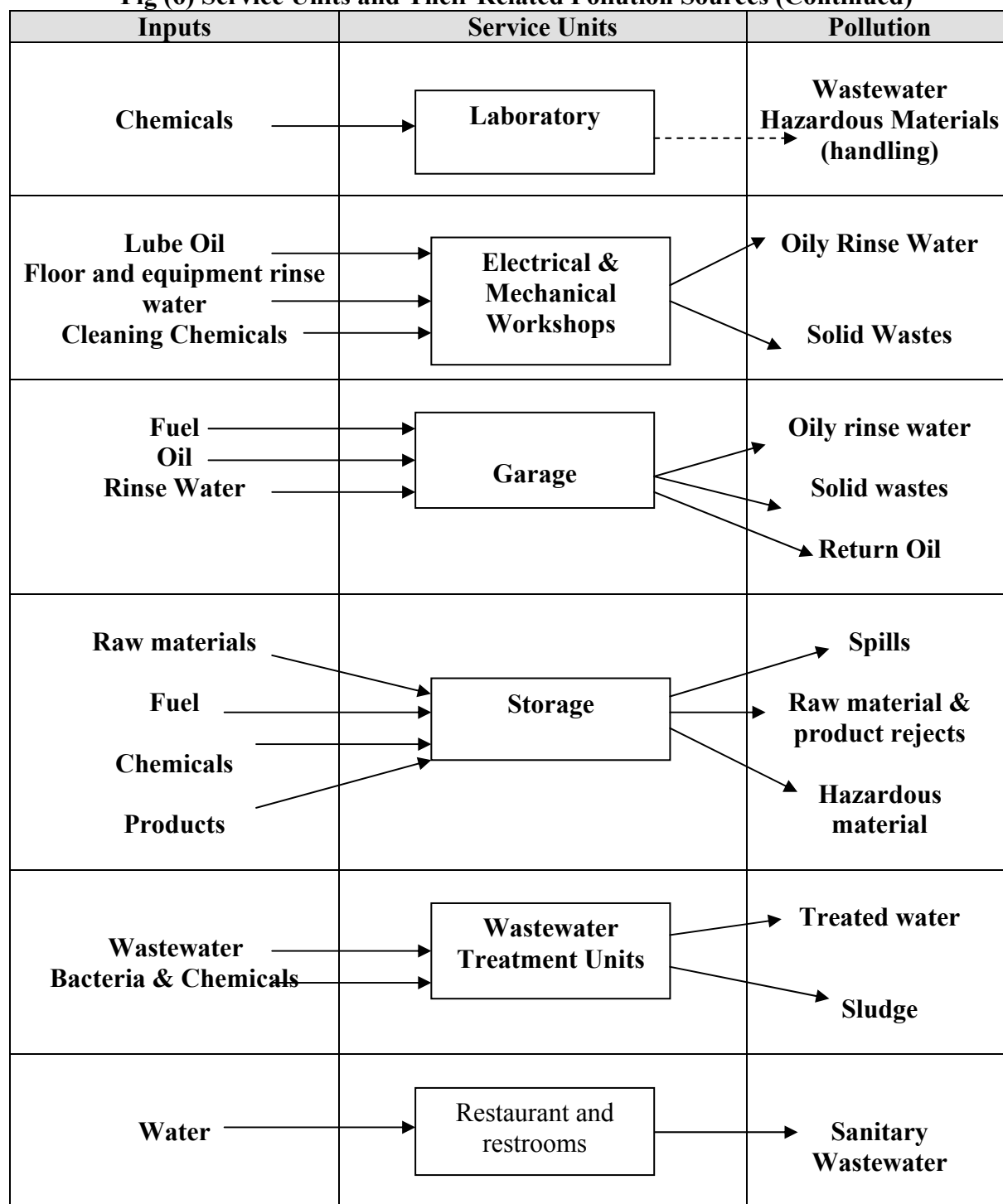
These facilities will generate domestic wastewater as well as domestic solid waste.

**Fig (6) Service Units and Their Related Pollution Sources**





**Fig (6) Service Units and Their Related Pollution Sources (Continued)**



## **2.4. Emissions, effluents and solid wastes**

Table (3) summarizes the major polluting processes, their outputs and the violating parameters.

### **2.4.1. Air emissions**

The sources of air emission in the fruit and vegetable industry are:

- Exhaust gases resulting from fuel consumption used to generate steam from boilers and generators . The violating parameters would be: particulate matters (PM10), sulfur oxides, nitrogen oxides and carbon monoxide.
- Freon (trade-name CFCs) resulting from leaks in refrigeration tubes and is considered an ozone depleting substance.
- Steam leaking from heating tubes or used as live steam has a negative impact on air quality of workplace with respect to heat and humidity.
- Odor problems can occur with poor management of solid wastes and effluents.

### **2.4.2. Effluents**

The fruit and vegetable processing industry typically generates large volumes of effluents that contain high organic loads, cleansing and blanching agents, salt and suspended particles such as fibers and soil particles. They may also contain pesticide residues washed from the raw materials. The various sources of pollution are:

- Fruit and vegetable wash-water, which is expected to be high in suspended and dissolved solids.
- Juice, tomato paste and jam filling machines, which are responsible for spills that raise the BOD level in the wastewater.
- Cooling water associated with the jet ejectors that generate vacuum in the evaporators. The wastewater will be contaminated with organic matter.
- Blowdowns from the cooling tower and boilers as well as backwash of softeners are high in TDS and TSS.
- Spent lube oil from garage and workshops if discharged to sewer will give oily wastewater (O&G).
- Floor and equipment washing and sanitation produces a wastewater containing organic matter, oil and grease, and traces of the chemicals used for neutralization and sanitation.

Typical effluent characteristics of the Egyptian fruit and vegetable industry are shown in table (4). Typical pollution loads per ton of production are given in table (5). It is clear that the main impact will be due to high organic loads. The effluent is violating Egyptian environmental laws as shown in section 4.2.

**Table (3) Pollutants Per Process**

<b>MAJOR POLLUTING PROCESS</b>	<b>PROCESS INPUTS</b>	<b>PROCESS OUTPUTS</b>	<b>POLLUTANTS</b>	<b>IMPACT</b>
<b><i>Raw material inspection and sorting</i></b>	Fresh fruits and vegetables	Accepted		
		Reject	Solid waste	Soil
<b><i>Washing</i></b>	Fruits and vegetables	Clean fruits and vegetables		
	Water	Wash water	Suspended solids, BOD	Water
<b><i>Peeling, coring, and trimming</i></b>	Fruits and vegetables	Prepared fruits and vegetables		
		Solid waste	Solid waste	Soil
<b><i>Filtration</i></b>	Juice	Juice		
		Pulp	Solid waste	Soil
<b><i>Concentration</i></b>	Juice + cooling water + steam	Concentrate		
		water	BOD	Water
<b><i>Filling</i></b>	Juice/ tomato paste/ jam	Cans, bottles		
		spills	BOD	Water
<b><i>Cooking</i></b>	Fruits/ vegetables Steam	Cooked product		
		Steam leaks	Temperature, humidity	Workplace
<b><i>Sterilization</i></b>	Cans, bottles + steam + cooling water	Sterilized product		
		Steam +cooling water	Temperature, humidity	Workplace
<b><i>Refrigeration with Freon</i></b>	Frozen Products	Refrigerated Products		
	Freon + cooling water	Freon leaks	Freon (hazardous) + noise from compressors	Air and Workplace noise, Temperature
<b><i>Softeners</i></b>	Raw Water	Treated Water		
		Backwash	TDS, TSS	Water
<b><i>Boilers</i></b>	Treated Water + Condensate recycle	Blowdown	TDS, TSS	Water
	Fuel	Flue Gasses	CO, SO <sub>x</sub>	Air, Noise
<b><i>Cooling Towers</i></b>	Water	Blowdown	TDS, TSS	Water
<b><i>WWTP</i></b>	Process WW	Treated effluent	BOD, COD, TSS, Color	Water
		Sludge	TSS, HM	Soil

**Table (4) Typical chemical analysis of effluent from fruit and vegetable processing facilities**

	pH	BOD mg/l	COD mg/l	TSS mg/l	TDS mg/l	Oil& Grease mg/l
Final effluent	6.17	1680	2750	9000	3570	100

**Table (5) Typical organic pollution loads per day**

	Effluent flow rate, m <sup>3</sup> /d	BOD, kg/d	COD, kg/d
Final effluent	1617	2716	4446

### **2.4.3. Solid wastes**

Solid wastes are generated from the following operations:

- The fruit and vegetable trimming, peeling and sorting.
- Filtration of juice for pulp removal
- Scrap at the workshops and garage, which is usually sold.
- Biological wastewater treatment plant, which generates sludge.
- Domestic solid waste (garbage)

There are no hazardous wastes discharged from the fruit and vegetable processing plants except the empty ink and paint containers.

## 2.5. Characteristics of the fruit and vegetable processing industry

Processing (canning, drying, freezing and preparation of juices, concentrates, syrups, and jams) increases the shelf-life of fruits and vegetables. There are some characteristics specific to the industry that should be taken into consideration when conducting inspection and/or self-monitoring of fruit and vegetable processing facilities.

- Due to the introduction of the market economy in Egypt and its implication on increased import and product diversity, most facilities operate upon market demand. Consequently the generated effluents have daily fluctuations in flow-rate as well as concentration of organic load.
- Production lines are operated on a semi-continuous basis with parts of the production lines operating in batches.
- Due to the special nature of food processes, washing and sanitation are performed at least once a day for both operating modes (batch or continuous).
- Pollution loads are expected to be higher during start-up and shutdown.
- The industry uses large amounts of water. International values are given in table (6). Egyptian industry uses even larger amounts.

**Table (6) Water Usage in the Fruit and Vegetable Processing Industry (m<sup>3</sup>/t product)**

Product category	Water Use
Canned fruit	2.5-4.0
Canned vegetables	3.5-6.0
Frozen vegetables	5.0-8.5
Fruit juices	6.5
Jams	6.0

### 3. ENVIRONMENTAL AND HEALTH IMPACTS OF POLLUTANTS

#### 3.1. Impact of air emissions

<b><i>Particulate matters</i></b>	Recent epidemiological evidence suggests that much of the health damage caused by exposure to particulates is associated with particulate matters smaller than 10µm (PM <sub>10</sub> ). These particles penetrate most deeply into the lungs, causing a large spectrum of illnesses (e.g. asthma attack, cough, bronchitis). Emissions of particulates include ash, soot and carbon compounds, which are often the result of incomplete combustion. Acid condensate, sulphates and nitrates as well as lead, cadmium, and other metals can also be detected.
<b><i>Sulfur Oxides</i></b>	Air pollution by sulfur oxides is a major environmental problem. This compound is harmful to plant and animal life, as well as many building materials. Another problem of great concern is acid rain which is caused by the dissolution of sulfur oxides in atmospheric water droplets to form acidic solutions that can be very damaging when distributed in the form of rain. Acid rain is corrosive to metals, limestone, and other materials.
<b><i>Nitrogen Oxides</i></b>	Nitrogen oxides also dissolve in atmospheric water droplets to form acid rain.
<b><i>Carbon dioxide</i></b>	Combustion of fossil fuels to produce electricity and heat contribute to the green house effect caused by the formation of carbon dioxide. The greenhouse phenomenon occurs when heat radiation from earth is absorbed by the gases causing a surface temperature increase.
<b><i>Freon</i></b>	Freon is a trade name for Chloro-Fluoro-Carbons (CFCs) which are considered to be Ozone Destroying Substances (ODSs). The Ozone Depleting Potential (ODP) for these substances reflects the ability to destroy the ozone layer (Table 7).
<b><i>Ammonia</i></b>	Ammonia vapour is a sever irritant to eyes, causes vomiting, diarrhea, sweating and coughing. High concentration can cause respiratory arrest.
<b><i>Water Vapor (Humidity)</i></b>	Humidity in workplace is regulated by law 4/1994 due to its effect on the respiratory system especially for people suffering from asthma.

**Table (7) Ozone Depletion Potential (ODP) of the principal Ozone Depleting Substances (ODSs)**

<b>ODS</b>	<b>ODP</b>
CFC-11,-12,-13	1.0
CFC-113	0.8
CFC-115	0.6
CFC-111,-112,-114	1.0
CFC-211,-212,-213,-214,-215,-216,-217	1.0

### **3.2. Impact of effluents**

Spent lube oil from garage and workshops could be a cause for concern if discharged into the sewer system. The organic material in wastewater stimulates the growth of bacteria and fungi naturally present in water, which then consume dissolved oxygen.

The environmental impact of the wastewater depends on the receiving water body. The Ministry of Irrigation has set limits for the pollutants in the wastewater discharged into agriculture canals and drains as well as the Nile river for their detrimental effect on agriculture (Decree 8/1983). The parameters of relevance to the fruit and vegetable industry are BOD, COD, TSS and TDS.

Discharge of polluted wastewater high in BOD into lakes and sea can cause eutrophication and impact bio-diversity. Sudden discharge of high BOD loads to the public sewer system will have an indirect environmental impact. Shock loads can cause malfunction of the domestic wastewater treatment plant.

### **3.3. Environmental Impact of Solid Wastes**

Solid waste is mainly scrap that is collected and sold. No impacts are expected.

## 4. EGYPTIAN LAWS AND REGULATIONS

There are a number of laws and regulations that address the different environmental violations. The following are the laws applicable to the fruit and vegetable processing industry.

### 4.1. Concerning air emissions

Article 40 of Law 4/1994, article 42 of the executive regulations and annex 6 deal with gaseous emissions from combustion of fuel. The statutes relevant to the fuel combustion are:

- The use of solar oil and other heavy oil products, as well crude oil shall be prohibited in dwelling zones.
- The sulfur percentage in fuel used in urban zones and near the dwelling zones shall not exceed 1.5%.
- The design of the burner and fire-house shall allow for complete mixing of fuel with the required amount of air, and for the uniform temperature distribution that ensure complete combustion and minimize gas emissions caused by incomplete combustion..
- Gases containing carbon dioxide shall be emitted through chimneys rising sufficiently high in order that these gases become lighter before reaching the ground surface, or using fuel that contains high proportions of sulfur in power generating stations, as well as in industry and other regions lying away from inhabited urban areas, providing that atmospheric factors and adequate distances to prevent these gases from reaching the dwelling and agricultural zones and regions, as well as the water courses shall be observed.
- Chimneys from which a total emission of wastes reaches 7000 – 15000 kg/hr, shall have heights ranging between 18 – 36 meters.
- Chimneys from which a total emission of gaseous wastes reaches more than 15000 kg/hour, shall have heights exceeding at least two and a half times the height of surrounding buildings, including the building served by the chimney.
- The permissible limits of emissions from sources of fuel combustion are given in table (8) (Ministerial decree no. 495, 2001).

**Table (8) Maximum limits of emissions from sources of fuel combustion**

parameters	Maximum limit, mg/m <sup>3</sup> of exhaust
Sulfur Dioxide.	3400
Carbon Monoxide.	250
Volatized ashes in urban regions.	250
Volatized ashes in remote regions.	500
Smoke.	50



#### **4.2. Concerning effluents**

Limits for pollutants in wastewater vary depending on the type of receiving water body. The parameters that should be monitored and/or inspected are BOD, COD, pH, temperature, residual chlorine, TSS, TDS, Oil and Grease.

Table (9) presents the permissible limits for discharges to the different recipients (sea, Nile, canals, agricultural drains, public sewer) according to the different relevant laws.

Spent lube oil has a negative impact on water and soil and therefore its disposal should be monitored/inspected. A record should be kept for this purpose.

#### **4.3. Concerning solid waste**

A number of laws address solid waste management. The following laws apply to scrap and sludge from the WWTP:

- Law 38/1967 which addresses public cleanliness, regulates the collection and disposal of solid wastes from houses, public places, commercial and industrial establishments.
- Ministry of Housing, Utilities and Urban Communities (MHUUC) decree No. 134 of 1968, which provides guidelines from domestic and industrial sources, including specifications for collection, transportation, composting, incineration and land disposal.
- Law 31/1976, which amended law 38/1967
- Law 43/1979, the Law of Local administration, which provided that city councils are responsible for “physical and social infrastructure”, effectively delegating responsibility for infrastructure functions.
- Law 4/1994, article 37 and article 38 of the executive regulations regulates incineration of solid waste.

#### **4.4. Concerning work environment**

Violations of work environment could be encountered:

- In the boiler house: gas emissions, regulated by article 43 of Law 4/1994, article 45 of the executive regulations and annex 8.
- Wherever heating is performed: temperature and humidity are regulated by article 44 of Law 4/1994, article 46 of the executive regulations and annex 9.
- In refrigeration rooms: ammonia leaks are regulated by article 43 of Law 4/1994, article 45 of the executive regulations and annex 8.
- Near heavy machinery: noise is regulated by article 42 of Law 4/1994, article 44 of the executive regulations and table 1, annex 7.
- Ventilation is regulated by article 45 of Law 4/1994 and article 47 of the executive regulations.
- Smoking is regulated by article 46 of Law 4/1994 and article 48 of the executive regulations, and Law 52/1981.
- Work environment conditions are addressed in Law 137/1981 for Labor, Minister of Housing Decree 380/1983, Minister of Industry Decree 380/1982

**Table (9) Egyptian Environmental Legal Requirements for Industrial Wastewater**

Parameter (mg/l unless otherwise noted)	Law 4/94: Discharge Coastal Environment	Law 93/62 Discharge to Sewer System (as Decree 44/2000)	Law 48/82: Discharge into :			
			Underground Reservoir & Nile Branches/Canals	Nile (Main Stream)	Drains	
					Municipal	Industrial
BOD (5day,20 deg.)	60	<600	20	30	60	60
COD	100	<1100	30	40	80	100
pH (Grease)	6-9	6-9.5	6-9	6-9	6-9	6-9
Oil & Grease	15	<100	5	5	10	10
Temperature (deg.)	10C>avg. temp of receiving body	<43	35	35	35	35
Total Suspended Solids	60	<800	30	30	50	50
Settable Solids	—	<10	—	20	—	—
Total Dissolved Solids	2000	—	800	1200	2000	2000
Chlorine	—	<10	1	1	—	—

The limits for the relevant pollutants are presented in Table (10):

**Table (10) Permissible limits as time average and for short periods**

Material	Limits			
	Time average		Exposure limits for short periods	
	ppm	mg/m <sup>3</sup>	ppm	mg/m <sup>3</sup>
<b>Ammonia</b>	25	18	35	27
<b>Carbon dioxide</b>	5000	9000	15000	27000
<b>Carbon monoxide</b>	50	55	400	440
<b>Sulfur dioxide</b>	2	5	5	10

#### **4.5. Concerning hazardous material and waste**

Law 4/1994 introduced the control of hazardous materials and wastes. The fruit and vegetable processing industry does not generate any hazardous wastes. The hazardous chemicals used in the lab and the fuel for the boilers, fall under the provisions of Law 4/1994. Articles 29 and 33 of the law makes it mandatory for those who produce or handle dangerous materials in gaseous, liquid or solid form, to take precautions to ensure that no environmental damage shall occur. Articles 25, 31 and 32 of the executive regulations (decree 338/1995) specify the necessary precautions for handling hazardous materials. Storing of fuel for the boilers is covered by the Law 4 as hazardous material There is no explicit articles in Law 4/1994 or in decree 338/1995 (executive regulations), regarding holding a register for the hazardous materials; article 33 is concerned with hazardous wastes. However, keeping the register for the hazardous materials is implicit in article 25 of the executive regulations regarding the application for a license.

#### **4.6. The Environmental Register.**

Article 22 of Law 4/1994 states that the owner of the establishment shall keep a register showing the impact of the establishment activity on the environment. Article 17 and Annex 3 of the executive regulations specify the type of data recorded in the register.

The emergency response plan and the hazardous materials register will also be part of the environmental register as stated in part 4.5.

## 5. POLLUTION ABATEMENT MEASURES

This section deals with pollution abatement in the three media air, water and soil. Three types of interventions will be considered:

- In-plant modifications, which are changes that are performed in the plant to reduce pollutant concentrations in streams through recovery of materials, segregation and/or integration of streams, reducing the flow rate of the wastewater streams that need further treatment to reduce the hold-up of the required WWTP.
- In-Process modifications, which are changes performed on the process such as the introduction of newer technology, substitution of a hazardous raw material, performing process optimization and control.
- End-of-pipe (EoP) measures, which involve treatment of the pollutant or its separation for further disposal. Whereas in-plant and in-process modifications usually have an economic return on investment, end-of-pipe measures will be performed for the sole purpose of compliance with the laws without economic.

Egyptian Environmental Laws do not require water and energy conservation measures. These measures have been considered in this manual since resource depletion and hence conservation is a worldwide-recognized environmental issue that could be implemented in Egypt in the near future. Water conservation measures can lead to higher concentrations of pollutants in the effluent streams. Both energy and water conservation measures will provide both financial and economic benefits. The term Cleaner Production (CP) refers to the same concepts of pollution reduction through in-process, in-plant and resource conservation, in contradistinction to end-of-pipe treatment. In many cases, the adoption of CP can eliminate the need for (EoP) treatment. The following CP and EoP measures have been identified for the fruit and vegetables processing industry.

### 5.1. Air pollution

#### ***Flue gases***

*Particulate matter* in flue (exhaust) gases are due the ash and heavy metal content of the fuel, low combustion temperature, low excess oxygen level, high flow rate of flue gases. *Sulfur dioxide* is due to the sulfur content of the fuel. *Nitrogen oxides* are formed when maximum combustion temperature and high excess oxygen. *Carbon monoxide* is formed when incomplete combustion occurs at low air to fuel ratio.

The following measures can be adopted to minimize air pollution from flue (exhaust) gases:

- Replace Mazot by solar or natural gas. Mazot is high in sulfur content.
- Regulate the fuel to air ratio for an optimum excess air that ensures complete combustion of carbon monoxide to dioxide.
- Keep the combustion temperature at a moderate value to minimize particulate matter and nitrogen oxides.

#### ***Gas leaks***

Freon and steam leaks are minimized through maintenance and repair. Freon should be replaced by another non-hazardous refrigerant.

## 5.2. Water pollution abatement measures

### *In-plant modifications*

- The installation of product-capture systems for filling machines can reduce product losses.
- The installation of screens and grates on the drains prevents solid waste to reach the wastewater
- Provide simple treatment options (sedimentation, coalescing plate filters, etc..) to allow water to be recycled.
- Improve the distribution chain by carefully managing temperatures and other important variables through the last cycle stage of the product.
- Implementation of a quality control system such as HACCP (Hazard Analysis & Critical Control Point) is recommended to minimize waste.
- Integration and segregation of sewer lines to minimize treatment needs and ensure compliance with the environmental laws, can be an option for many factories. In some cases where there are several discharge points from the factory, mixing of the streams could lead to compliance. In other cases where treatment is imperative some streams could be segregated and discharged without violation. The remaining streams will require a smaller treatment unit.

### *In-process modifications*

- Implementation of a control system involving pressure regulators on the steam lines, temperature controllers, flow controllers...
- Use dry methods such as vibration or air jets to clean raw fruits and vegetables. Dry peeling methods reduce the effluent volume (by up to 35%) and pollutant concentration (organic load by 25%).
- Install DAF unit to recover suspended material.
- Recover useful materials from the wastes, such as recovering oil from skins and seeds.
- Introduce a fermentation operation to produce alcohol.
- Use countercurrent systems where washing is necessary.
- Replace batch processes with continuous ones.
- Modernize the equipment.
- Introduce controlled atmosphere packaging. This technique allows food to retain its quality for a longer time thus, passing through the distribution chain without getting spoiled.
- Use of packaging material with the right strength ensures protection of the final product from the factory gate to the final consumption.

### *End-of-pipe treatment*

Because of the typically high content of suspended solids, COD and BOD in the fruit and vegetable processing industry wastestreams, end-of-pipe treatment frequently involves settling tanks and biological treatment. Pretreatment of effluents consists of screening, flow equalization, neutralization and air flotation (to remove fats and solids); it is normally followed by biological treatment. If space is available pond systems are potential treatment methods. Other possible biological treatment methods include trickling filters, rotating biological contactors and

activated sludge treatment.

The flows are frequently seasonal, and robust treatment systems are preferred for onsite treatment.

### 5.3. Abatement measures for solid waste pollution

#### *Fruit and vegetable process wastes*

- Cleaning and preparation of raw fruit and vegetable in the farm will reduce the amount of material, which has to be transported and which eventually have to be disposed of by the factory. If crop grading, trimming, selection, culling and inspection can take place in the field, the amount of solid waste generated by the factory will be further reduced. A further advantage to the producer is that these residues may be usefully employed in situ, as fertilizer or animal feed.
- The raw fruits and vegetables delivered to the factories are often damaged. The soft fruits and the tomatoes are often bruised, crushed and rotting. In addition to costing the factory money due to lost raw materials, these losses will also unnecessarily increase the pollution load. Tainting of the final product may also occur. The factory should refuse to accept goods delivered in an unacceptable condition.
- Organic waste from the factory should be used in the production of animal feed or organic fertilizers

#### *Scrap*

Scrap is collected and sold.

#### *Sludge*

- Effluent treatment processes generate solids. On average 70-80% of the original carbon is converted to solids. This sludge is subject to putrefaction, is malodorous and offensive. It can also be hazardous to health by absorbing pathogens that multiply in this favorable medium and toxins. Raw sludge is saturated with bound water, should be de-watered and disposed of in sanitary landfills.
- Sludge can also be generated from water treatment when lime and chemicals are used.

### 5.4. Water and energy conservation

Water and sewer service costs have been rising, and these increases can cut into profits. Using water more efficiently can help counter these increases.

#### *Water Conservation*

- Procure clean fruits and vegetables, thus reducing the concentration of dirt and organic materials (including pesticides) in the effluent and reducing water usage.
- Install water meters and monitor water use
- Use automatic shut-off nozzles and mark hand-operated valves so that open, close and directed-flow positions are easily identified.
- Use high-pressure, low-volume cleaning systems, such as CIP (clean in place) for washing equipment.
- Install liquid level controls with automatic pump stops where overflow is likely to occur.
- Recycle cooling water through cooling towers.

***Energy  
conservation  
measures***

- Minimize spills on the floor minimizes floor washing.
- Repair leaks.
- Handle solid waste dry.
- Recycle steam condensate whenever economically viable.
- Insulation of steam lines.
- Installation of steam traps.
- Repair or replace steam valves.
- Maximize boilers efficiency.
- Install pressure regulators on steam lines.
- Adjust the power factor

## **6. ENVIRONMENTAL SELF-MONITORING**

Self-Monitoring (SM) is a process that primarily relates to measurements of process inputs, releases and environmental pollution levels, as well as process conditions (operation controls) that are directly related to the monitored emissions. Self – monitoring is necessary for the plant to improve its economic performance by identifying the sources of wastes in raw materials, water, and energy that represent the main sources of pollution. Thus, the plant would be able to implement pollution prevention techniques that could reduce production costs and minimize compliance costs, which should lead to improved economic and environmental performance of the plant.

In addition, self-monitoring may include reporting of the results to the pertinent authorities. Monitoring can be carried out by the industrial establishment, or on its behalf, and paid for by the industrial establishment. The information obtained from the sampling component of the monitoring system must be recorded and the results reported to the appropriate internal and external decision-makers.

### **6.1 Benefits of SM**

In general, the benefits of self-monitoring results to the operators include:

- Raising their awareness about the process performance and efficiency
- Having them ready for inspection by authorities.
- Providing inspectors with more reliable data to verify the single unrepresentative samples and/or measurements
- Raising their awareness about impact of pollutants
- Implementing corrective actions if non-compliance occurs.
- Deciding on raw materials, additives, fuels, and investment strategies.
- Identifying trends in plant performance and setting alarms.
- Improving process efficiency.

These benefits are generated through implementing an integrated environmental self-monitoring plan that comprises:

- Emission monitoring, which covers releases to air, wastewater, and solid and hazardous waste as well as regulated working conditions
- Monitoring of process parameters (operation controls) that are directly related to the releases; such as temperature, pressure, and humidity. In addition, process conditions such as shutdowns, maintenance operations, and spills need to be also monitored, linked to emissions, and reported.

### **6.2 Scope and Objectives of SM**

As previously indicated, environmental self-monitoring comprises the monitoring of environmental releases (emissions) as well as the monitoring of process parameters (operation controls) that affect the environmental impact of the facility. The objectives of each type are separately detailed as follows:



### **a) Emissions self-monitoring**

The basic objective of self-monitoring is to monitor compliance with environmental regulations. As the inventory for hazardous materials and wastes is mandatory with procedures for handling and storage as regulated by law 4/1994, self-monitoring should assist in covering this area. The objectives of emission monitoring may go beyond monitoring compliance; i.e. to assist improving environmental performance. In other words, monitoring of emissions at the process level is necessary to minimize emissions at the source through pollution abatement and prevention measures. While Egyptian regulations consider only concentration of the pollutants, self-monitoring may include pollution loads as well as the environmental impact on the receiving media. These data are required to assess the improvement of the environmental performance.

### **b) Process self-monitoring (operation control)**

In most industrial facilities monitoring of process operations already exists. Some process operation controls should be monitored for improved environmental benefits. The main objectives of process self-monitoring (operation control) is:

- ☐ Optimization of process operation by controlling the operating conditions
- ☐ Minimization of losses
- ☐ Planned maintenance and repair as opposed to emergency maintenance and shutdown
- ☐ Minimization of cost through conservation of energy and water

## **6.3 SM and Environmental Management Systems (EMS)**

Aside from the regulatory aspects, SM has shown to be a necessary tool for the plant to manage its releases, control its environmental impacts and improve its environmental performance. Such achievements represent the main objectives of the Environmental Management Systems (EMS), which in turn constitute a requirement for internal monitoring, checking and implementing the corrective actions. In addition, EMS encourages the industrial plants to adopt Cleaner Production, (CP), and Pollution Prevention, (P2), measures as the main tools for continual improvement. This can be achieved only by implementing a comprehensive and effective SM plan.

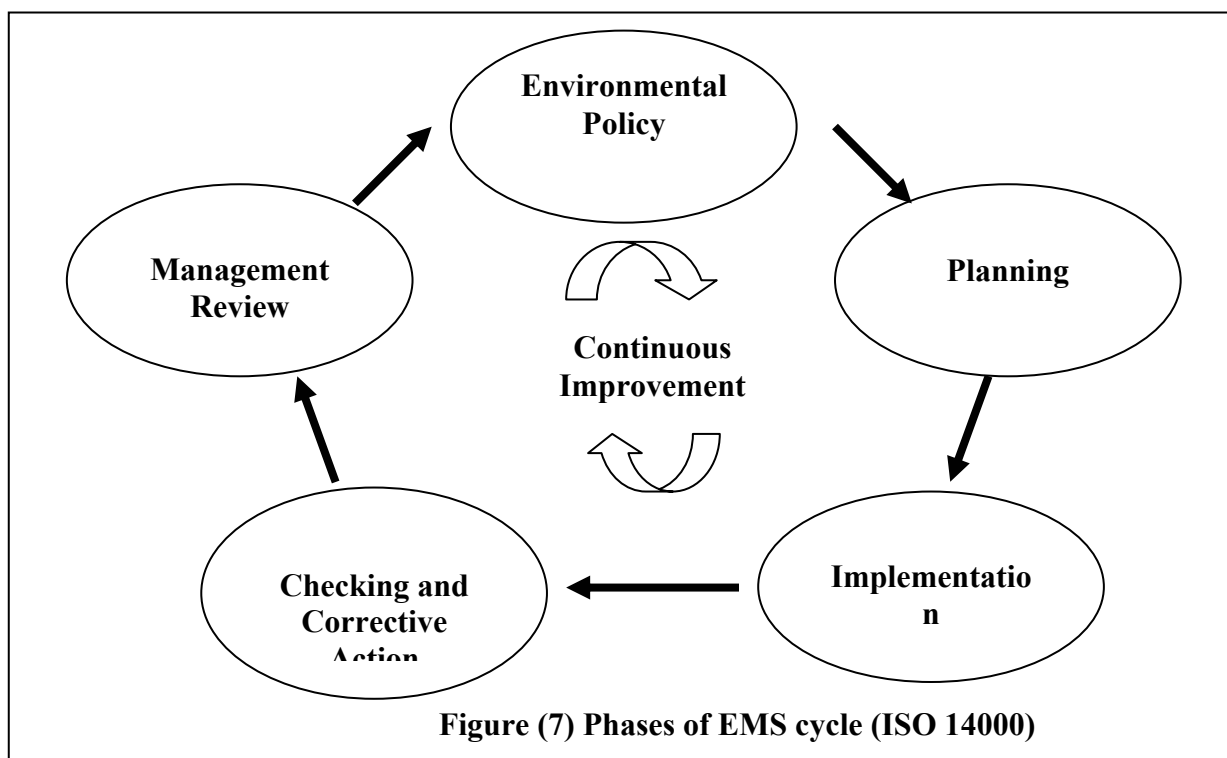
The following sections highlight the concept of EMS, link to SM and link between SM and cleaner production.

### **6.3.1 Environmental Management Systems (EMS)**

An Environmental Management System (EMS) is a framework that helps a company achieve its environmental goals through consistent control of its operations. The EMS itself does not dictate a level of environmental performance of the company; each company tailors its EMS to its specific business goals. Compliance with environmental laws and regulations has become a major goal that has to be attained with minimum cost. This is the minimum level for environmental performance to be achieved through the EMS. In general, an EMS comprises five phases leading to continual improvement; commitment and policy, planning, implementation,

evaluation and review. These phases will be herein explained within the context of the standard system “ISO 14000”, which is internationally recognized. With regard to Egypt, this system is being gradually implemented by the Egyptian Industry. The different stages of the EMS form a cycle (Figure 7) that allows feedback of information and continuous improvement. This system includes the following elements:

1. **Environmental policy.** Top management commits to an environmental policy that comprises, as a minimum, compliance with laws and regulations, pollution prevention and continual improvement. The policy is the foundation of the EMS
2. **Planning:** The company first identifies environmental aspects of its activities. Environmental aspects are those items such as air pollutants or hazardous wastes that can have negative impacts on people and/or the environment. Once the pertinent laws and regulations are identified, the company sets objectives and targets. An objective is an overall environmental goal (e.g. minimize use of chemical x). A target is a detailed, quantified requirement that arises from the objective (e.g. reduce use of chemical x by 25% by September 2003). The final part of the planning stage is developing an action plan for meeting the targets, including schedule, resources, and the clearly defined steps to meet the targets.
3. **Implementation.** This phase comprises the establishment of the structure, assignments and responsibilities of the designated personnel. An important component is personnel training and awareness for all employees. Other steps in the implementation stage include documentation, document control, implementing operation procedure, and setting up internal and external communication lines. In addition, an emergency and preparedness plan has to be developed.
4. **Checking and Corrective Action.** The company monitors its operations and activities to ensure that targets are being met. If not, the company takes corrective action and keeps records for the emissions and environmental performance. Internal audit is a key element to improve the system.
5. **Management Review.** Top management regularly reviews the results of the evaluation to see if the EMS is efficient and effective. Management determines whether the original environmental policy is consistent with company values. The plan is then revised to optimize the effectiveness of the EMS. The review stage creates a feedback of information necessary for continuous improvement.



### 6.3.2 Link between self-monitoring and (EMS)

As previously explained, an EMS e.g. ISO 14000, comprises 5 stages: environmental policy, planning, implementation, checking and corrective actions. By analogy, the self-monitoring system (SMS) can be looked at using the same concept. Taking into consideration the definition, concept and principles of self-monitoring, as stated in the “Guide Book on Self Monitoring”, the elements of SMS can be rearranged as follows:

**Commitment:** In general, an effective self-monitoring requires that the management of the plant be committed to environmental compliance, as a minimum. However, this commitment will be an integrated part of the environmental policy in the EMS, if exists.

**Planning:** The planning of the SM is mainly based on objective (s) that have been set. For a basic SMS, the objective would be monitoring of regulated parameters to assist in achieving regulatory compliance; e.g. end-of-pipe emissions and discharges. In an advanced SMS, the objectives may include monitoring of operation controls as well as emissions and wastes at the source, to help in implementing pollution prevention and cleaner production measures. In all cases, the objectives of self-monitoring should be in line with the objectives of EMS, if exists. In such case, the self-monitoring plan can be part of the EMS plan and includes:

- Description of the regulatory limits for compliance
- Brief description of the actual situation (existing monitoring activities, devices, equipment, resources,...).
- Objectives and targets with time frame for implementation.

- Identification of parameters monitored, location of monitoring points and preparation of a self-monitoring schedule.
- Description of methods and procedures used for sampling, analyses, measurements, calculations, recording and data manipulation.
- Description of tasks
- Training program

**Implementation:** The implementation of SM means that the tools and mechanisms for collecting the relevant data are functioning. On the other hand, the implementation phase in EMS means that the environmental performance of the plant is improving.

The implementation of SM results in large amount of data that need representation, interpretation and reporting in order to be useful as tools for decision making for corrective actions. The decision making requires knowledge about the status of:

- ☐ Emissions as compared to limits set by law.
- ☐ Toxic and hazardous releases: concentration, handling procedures and transfers.
- ☐ Maintenance and repair.
- ☐ Percentage losses of raw materials, products and utilities.
- ☐ Process operating parameters.

**Evaluation:** Evaluation of the self-monitoring plan through regular auditing will allow its continuous improvement. Evaluation should include all aspects of the plan (training, meeting targets, reliability of data, efficiency of devices,...etc). On the other hand, the evaluation of the EMS involves checking and taking corrective actions of all system components, including the monitoring activities.

**Review:** On the basis of the evaluation of the monitoring plan, a review can be made of the monitoring objectives and targets. In case of EMS, the management review covers all the involved procedures, including monitoring activities.

It is clear from the above explanation that self-monitoring is an integral part of any EMS. More specifically, self-monitoring is the tool for the evaluation function of an EMS. Figure (8) illustrates relationship and interaction among the main elements of EMS and SMS.

### 6.3.3 SM Link to Pollution Prevention and cleaner production

Growing understanding that escaping raw materials, chemicals and products constitute major pollution sources, industry has opted to implement pollution prevention measures at the source. These measures include in-plant and in-process modifications as well as resource conservation (minimization of water and energy consumption). The implementation of these measures will decrease the end-of-pipe treatment cost. However, plant management will have to undertake a cost-benefit analysis to determine which measures are economically viable.

Self-monitoring is the tool that helps undertake these analyses by providing the necessary data and information about process inputs and outputs as well as the framework for performing the required tasks.

The introduction of emission monitoring for the purpose of improved environmental performance through the application of cleaner technology widens the objectives of the plant EMS beyond compliance with relevant laws and should be met with economic incentives from the part of the competent authorities.

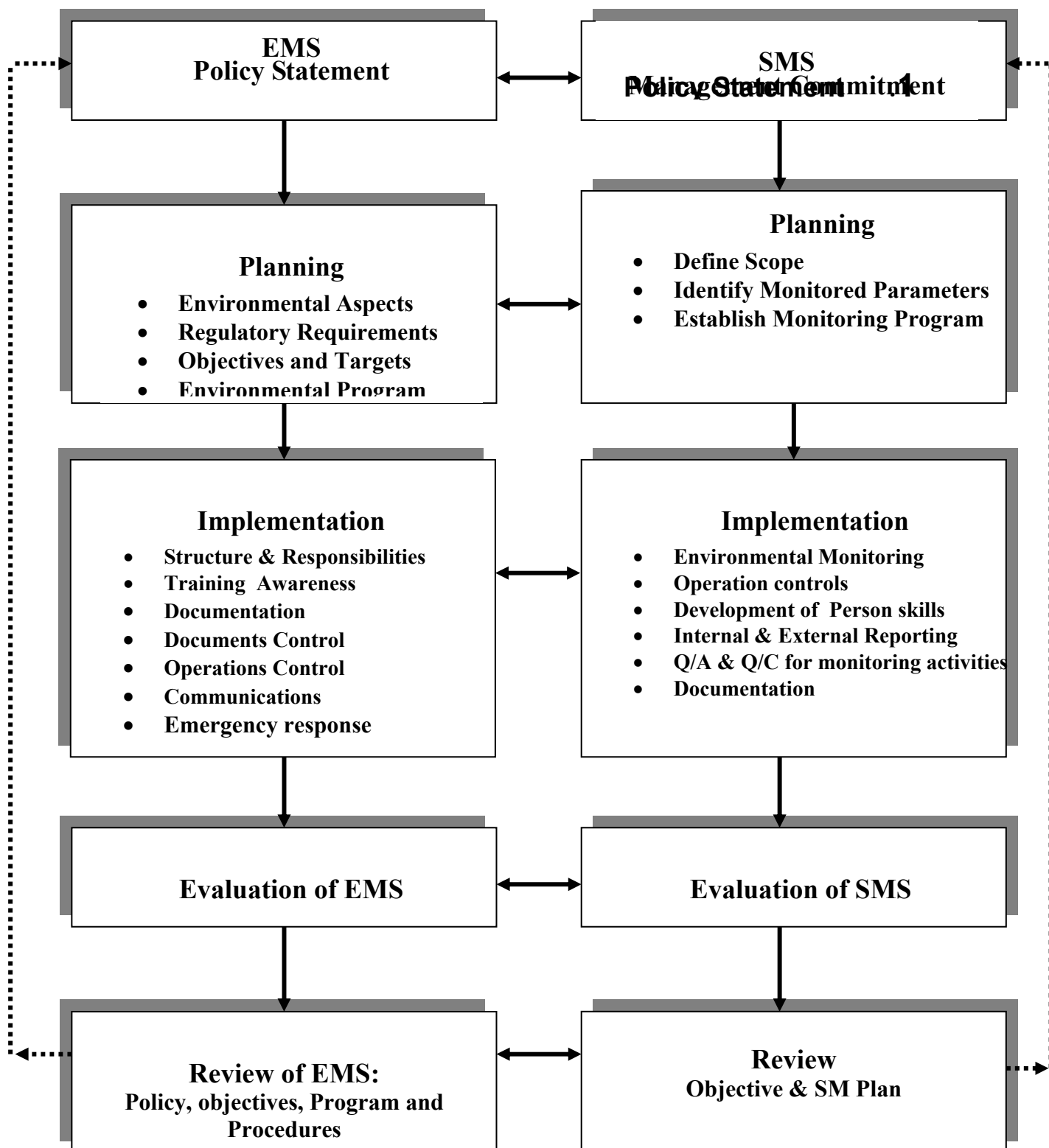


Figure (8) Relationship between EMS and SMS

## 6.4 Regulatory Aspects

In developed industrial countries, e.g. in Europe, the competent authorities must approve the monitoring program, specify the standards and quality requirements for self-monitoring that are to be achieved by the operator, and ensure those possibilities for cheating and fraud are minimized. The competent authorities will receive self-monitoring reports periodically from the operator. These should provide summary information, following data reduction, in a format facilitating easy comparison with permit limits. Additionally, the competent authorities would inspect the operator's self-monitoring records, including log sheets covering sampling, analyses, instrumental monitoring, and data-reduction calculations.

### 6.4.1 SM and Environmental Register

According to Law 4/1994, industrial facilities (operators) are required to keep a record of their inputs, outputs and releases in the environmental register as stated by which implicitly requires some sort of self-monitoring. The Egyptian Environmental Affairs Agency (EEAA) is mandated to check the validity of the data in the Environmental Register. The responsibilities of the operator and the competent authority are not affected by who carries out the monitoring. It is the responsibility of the operator to comply with laws and regulations. On the other hand, the competent authorities (inspectors) are responsible for assessing and ensuring the operator's compliance.

When combined with Self-monitoring, the Environmental Register can offer benefits to the *competent authorities* through:

- Utilizing the operator's knowledge and experience of his process in planning and carrying out a monitoring program that can lead to improved control over releases to the environment.
- Self-monitoring will normally provide more information than may be obtained by periodic inspection by the competent authorities.
- Providing a mechanism for educating the operator about the requirements for complying with relevant laws, regulations and permits and for increasing of management responsibility for compliance and the impact of process releases on the environment.

### 6.4.2 SM and Inspection

Self-monitoring does not constitute self-regulation. SM provides additional information on which the competent authorities can judge whether an operator is complying with relevant legislation and conditions of permits. It does not change the duty of the competent authority to assess compliance by means of inspection and by performing its own monitoring or choose to rely on the operator's monitoring data or a combination of both. The competent authority continues to be responsible for enforcement.

As mentioned above, SM provides a wealth of information that can be utilized by the competent authority in reviewing standards and developing applicable environmental policies. However, the competent authority will have to check the reliability of the SM data. Thus, inspectors may be required to check the SMS plan, QA/QC procedures, data handling and documentation. In this context, it is expected that inspectors may perform the following tasks:

- Check the SM program
- Check and verify the specified measurement standards
- Check the reliability of the data (by carrying out independent monitoring).
- Inspect SM arrangements such as:
  - The positioning and serviceability of fixed instrumentation.
  - Records confirming the maintenance and calibration of instrumentation and sampling equipment.
  - Manual sampling and analytical procedures.

This expected interaction would help both partners, i.e. the operator and the competent authority, in achieving their objectives in terms of reliability of emission data and environmental performance.



## 7. PLANNING OF SM

Planning for SM starts by setting the objectives. It should be clear that a number of process control parameters needs to be monitored, along with environmental monitoring. For the purpose of this manual environmental self-monitoring will be considered in addition to monitoring of process parameters that are related to emissions (operation controls).

Compliance monitoring requires measurements, analysis and data on end-of-pipe releases, whereas operation controls target the production units that offer pollution prevention opportunities. The environmental manager with the help of various sector managers should carry out the planning activities.

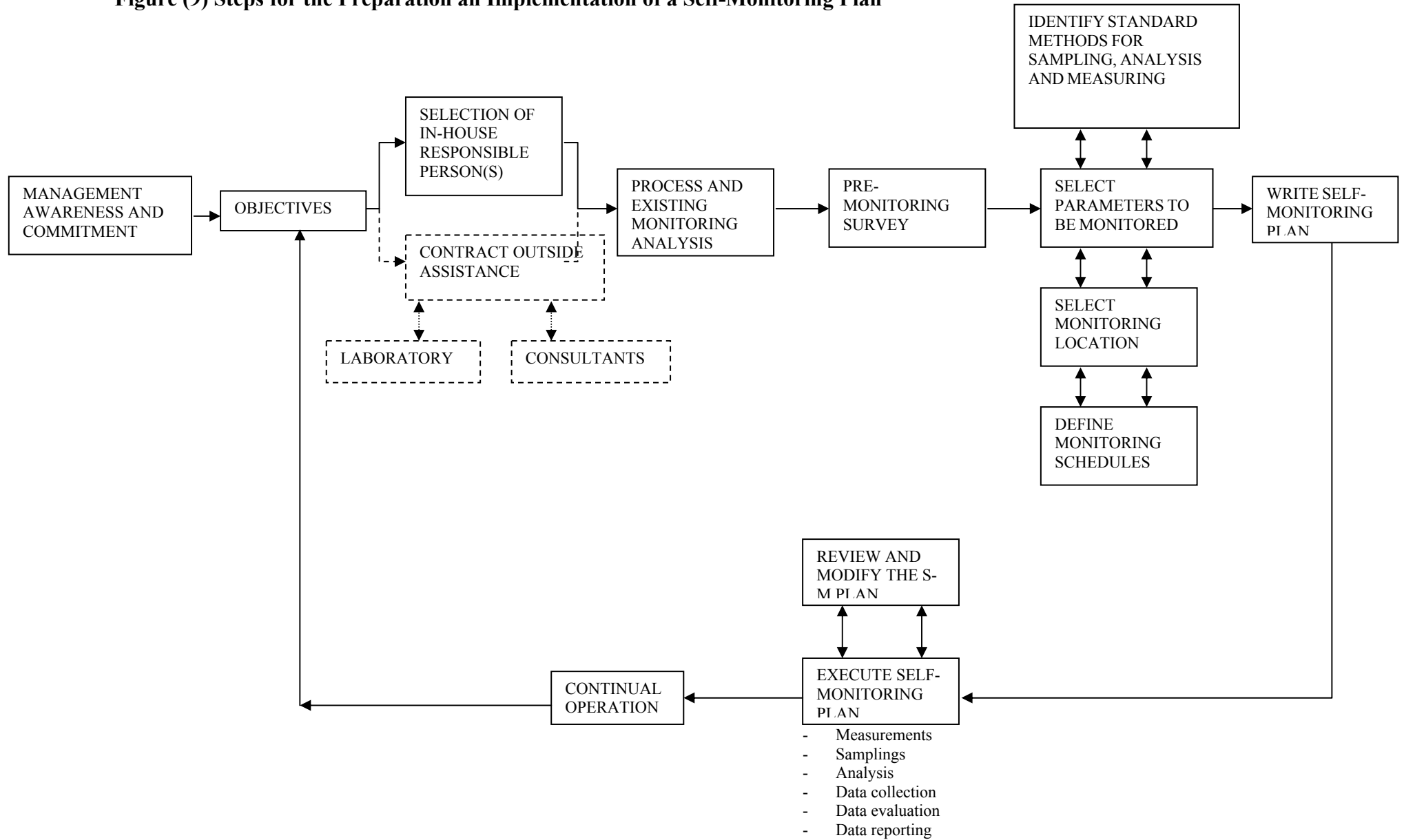
With reference to "Guidebook for Industrial Self-Monitoring", the main elements of the Self-Monitoring Plan, that describes the SMS, include:

- Objectives and results required from the self-monitoring system
- Organization and share of responsibilities and tasks
- Planning activities and design of an implementation schedule
- Definition of the parameters and relevant monitored indicators to reach the objectives
- Design of an appropriate measurement and sampling program
- Data processing and reporting procedures
- System for follow-up of decisions, actions and monitoring development
- Quality assurance and control

With reference to the Guidebook for Industrial Self-Monitoring the objective of the SMS can be limited to provide the data required for the Environmental Register, which is mandated by the Environmental Law, e.g. total inputs, outputs and emissions on the plant level. This objective "compliance with regulations" requires the "Basic Self-Monitoring System" which comprises the minimum requirements. In these cases where self-monitoring is not mandatory, operator can build a "basic" self-monitoring system that focuses on the regulated emissions, as a minimum. Then, the system can be gradually upgraded, "continual improvement" through internal auditing of all system components. Other objectives, e.g. waste minimization, pollution prevention and improved environmental performance require upgraded SMS that includes monitoring of inputs, outputs and releases on the level of operations and detailed processes. In all cases, the established SMS should be gradually improved and upgraded, considering the plant financial and economic constraints.

The following sections are detailing the stepwise activities that are needed to develop a viable, realistic, and applicable plan for a self-monitoring system. Figure (9) presents the various steps for the preparation and implementation of a self-monitoring plan.

**Figure (9) Steps for the Preparation an Implementation of a Self-Monitoring Plan**



## 7.1 Assessment of existing monitoring capacity

Assessment of existing monitoring capacity includes the following aspects:

- Management system: presence of an EMS, existing system for data collection and reporting.
- Human resources: available personnel, level of training; motivation.
- Technical resources: monitoring equipment and laboratory, status of equipment
- Financial resources: available budget for self-monitoring activities.

Table (11) presents an example of a checklist for existing self-monitoring activities.

**Table 11. Example for assessing the status of existing monitoring activity.**

Monitored activity	Location	Parameter	Associated tasks	Person in charge	Frequency
Wastewater	Final discharge	Flow rate	Recording flow on flow meter Inspect meter Calibrate Data analysis, representation	Operator X  Supplier Operator Y Lab staff	Daily
		BOD, COD..	Grab sample Sample preservation Analysis Review results and reporting	Lab technician Lab staff Lab staff Chief of Lab	Once a week

## 7.2 Identification of key parameters

The identification of key monitoring parameters requires an understanding of the manufacturing processes and the operation of the various units. The brief description provided in section 2 and the relevant tables can help identify some of these parameters. However, a pre-monitoring audit is necessary to determine sampling and measurement locations and schedules needed to design the self-monitoring plan. Priority should be given to parameters that determine compliance with environmental laws. A table describing the monitoring activities can be prepared for process and compliance monitoring.

The exact positions of the monitoring points within the production line have to be determined on a case-by-case basis by production experts, according to the following criteria (SM Guidebook, EPAP 1999):

- Representativeness of the monitoring point.
- Criticality of the monitoring point
- Accessibility of the monitoring points

The choice of the parameters is determined by the type of production, the legal requirements, the nature of the pollutant and its load, and the importance of the parameter for decision making. For each of the proposed parameters the trends and variations should be monitored in addition to the value of the parameter at a given time.

## 7.3 General data required

When assessing the performance of the operation and its impacts on the environment, some basic information is needed to put the monitoring data into the context of interpretation. Such information is about:

- Identification: Name, address, plant location, name of owner, manager and head of environmental department.

- Inputs name, type and amount: Raw materials, chemicals, fuels, water, steam, and electricity.
- Technology: Description of process, applied technology, operating conditions (temperature, pressure), maximum capacity, operating capacity during monitoring.
- Outputs name, type and rate: Products, by-products
- Abatement techniques: Air pollution prevention, wastewater treatment, solid waste management, noise abatement
- Emissions and their sources: receiving media, pollutant type, concentration and load, pollutant impact.
- Existing EMS system, analyses and measurement results, relevant environmental laws and allowable pollutant levels.
- Assessment of legislative and regulatory requirements.

## 7.4 Data collection, manipulation and reporting

Data collection and analysis should be carefully planned according to the following principles:

- Base the analysis on trends over a long period to take into consideration the shock loads that characterize the fruits and vegetables industry.
- Determine the causes and degree of variability of a parameter. A dramatic change of a low-variability parameter may be interpreted as a sign of anomaly of the process. This will require an investigation to find the potential source of the problem and take the right corrective action.
- Study the correlation between different parameters. The cause of variation for a highly variable parameter may be correlated to another parameter.

A considerable amount of data may be generated by the operator carrying out self-monitoring especially when continuous monitoring instrumentation is used. Data reduction is necessary to calculate time-averaged means, percentile values and the like. When compliance data are recorded in the environmental register the relevant calculations for data reduction should be specified.

Measured values are used to form half-hourly mean values for each successive half-hour to generate frequency distribution. For each calendar day a daily mean value, related to the daily operating time, is calculated from the half-hourly mean values and kept on file. Measurement results should be kept in the environmental register for at least 10 years (Article 22 of law 4/1994 and 17 of its executive regulations).

An annual report is prepared on the outcome of the measurements including information on:

- Measurement planning
- The outcome of each individual measure
- Measurement methods used
- Operating conditions that are important for the assessment of individual data and measurement results.

## 7.5 Criteria for selecting monitoring method.

The choice of monitoring method used to determine the value of the parameter depends on the specific features of the process, the emission sources, the physical state and properties of the sample and the nature of emissions from the operation. The latter can be classified as:

***Normal emissions***

Occur during normal operation and normal process and abatement technique conditions

***Diffused and fugitive emissions***

These are emissions from a certain process but from scattered points such as emissions from ventilation ducts, barrels, and scattered small stores. The diffuse emissions are calculated/estimated by monitoring the source periodically and assessing the long-term emission from the measurement results or by mass balance calculations.

***Exceptional emissions***

Exceptional emissions refer to varying input or process conditions, start-ups, shutdowns, by-pass of a process for malfunctioning and accidental causes.

The emissions can differ from those of normal operation in their volume and/or concentration. These emissions can be multiple compared to normal emissions. It can be impossible to measure the concentration or volume of the exceptional emissions as the measuring device is calibrated according to the normal operating conditions. Estimation techniques should then be performed.

There are four basic methods that may be used to develop estimates:

- Direct or indirect measurement
- Mass balance
- Emission factors
- Engineering calculations

#### **7.5.1. Direct or indirect measurement**

**a) Direct measurements:** Using monitoring data or direct measurements is usually the best method for developing chemical release and/or other waste-management activity quality estimates. Data may have also been collected for the facility through an occupational health and safety assessment. If only a small number of direct measurement data is available or if the monitoring data are not based on a representative sample, another estimation method should be used to give a more accurate result.

***Note : Treatment Efficiencies***

Supplier data on treatment efficiencies often represent ideal operating conditions, should be adjusted to account for downtime and process upsets during the year that would result in lower efficiencies. Efficiencies reported by supplier are often general and may not apply to specific chemicals. For example, an incinerator or flare may be 99.99% efficient in destroying organic chemicals, but will have 0% efficiency in destroying metals.

For successful measurements the following considerations should be satisfied:

- The frequency of measurement and sampling must cover temporal variations of the process and specifically the period during which harm occurs.
- Continuous monitoring is suitable for large emission sources, such as stacks and wastewater canals except in cases where high temperature or corrosive substances are involved. At smaller sites the cost of continuous monitoring is weighed against the value of the monitoring results and the possibility of obtaining representative results from periodic measurements.
- Utilization rate (percentage of continuous monitoring time to total operation time) should be known when performing continuous monitoring.

- The process conditions must be specified when monitoring takes place (e.g. start-up, shutdown, production rate, operating production lines, and failure of abatement equipment).

**b) Indirect measurements:** These are performed through surrogate parameters.

Surrogate parameters are variables that can be closely related to conventional direct measurements of pollutant releases or impacts and which may therefore be monitored and used instead of direct values for some practical purposes. Surrogates are commonly used in operation control as they give an early warning of possible abnormal conditions or emissions. Surrogates may provide a relative measurement rather than an absolute value and may only be valid for a restricted range of process conditions. On the other hand, surrogates can provide more continuous information than direct measurements. It is also often cost-effective as it allows more discharge positions to be monitored for the same resources. The advantages and disadvantages of surrogate parameters are summarized in Table (12).

A surrogate can be used for compliance monitoring purposes if all the following conditions are met:

- It is closely and consistently related to a required direct value (e.g. fuel sulfur vs. directly measured SO<sub>2</sub>, relationship between opacity and particulate concentration, condenser temperature and VOC emissions).
- It is regularly calibrated against the direct value.
- It is cheaper or easier to monitor than the direct value, or gives more frequent information
- Its value can be related to specific limits
- The process conditions where it is measured matches the conditions where direct measurements are required.
- Any extra uncertainty due to use of surrogate is not significant for regulatory decisions or process management.

**Table (12) Advantages and disadvantages of surrogate parameters**

Advantages	Disadvantages
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Cost savings</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> More continuous information e.g. continuous opacity vs. periodic dust sampling</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Allow more positions form discharge monitoring</li> <li>Sometimes more accurate e.g. fuel sulfur vs. SO<sub>2</sub></li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Give early warning of possible abnormal emissions e.g. combustion temperature warns for increase in dioxin emissions.</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Causes disruption to process operation.</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> May combine information from several direct measurements e.g. temperature indicates energy efficiency, emissions and process control.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Need cost for calibration against direct values.</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> May provide relative measurement rather than an absolute value</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> May not valid only for a restricted range of process conditions.</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> May not command as much public confidence as direct values.</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Sometimes less accurate.</li> </ul>

### 7.5.2. Mass balance

A mass balance involves determining the amount of chemical entering and leaving an operation. The mass balance is written as follows:

$$\text{Input} + \text{Generation} = \text{Output} + \text{Consumption}$$

- **Input** refers to the materials (chemicals) entering an operation. For example, chlorine added to process water as a disinfectant would be considered an input to the water treatment operation.
- **Generation** identifies those chemicals that are created during an operation. For example, when nitrogen sources are used in biological wastewater treatment systems, additional ammonia may be produced (generated).
- **Output** means any stream by which the chemical leaves the operation. Output may include on-site releases and other waste management activities to the environment, storage, or disposal; or the amount of chemical that leaves with the final products. In a can coating operation, for example, pigments in the paint may leave the operation as part of the product (the coating on the can) and on paint spray booth filters sent for disposal.
- **Consumption** refers to the amount of chemical that is converted to another substance during the operation (i.e., reacted). For example, phosphoric acid would be consumed by neutralization during wastewater treatment.

The mass balance technique may be used for manufactured, processed, or otherwise used substances. It is typically most useful for chemical that do not become part of the final product, such as catalysts, solvents, acids, and bases. For large inputs and outputs, a mass balance may not be the best estimation method, because slight uncertainties in mass calculations can yield significant errors in the release and other waste management estimates.

Material balance calculations are also used to examine the effects of emission reduction on the material balances of the plant. A material balance calculation gives an impression of the magnitude of the emission of a specific substance but cannot show neither accurate emission amounts, nor their division between emissions into the air, water discharges or solid wastes. Material balance calculations are often based on evaluated process flows and concentrations. Calculating a reliable average emission level for a factory means long term monitoring of the processes and statistical examination.

### 7.5.3. Emission factors

An emission factor is a representative value that attempts to relate the quantity of an emission released with an associated activity. These factors are usually expressed as the weight of emission released divided by a unit weight, volume, distance, or duration of the activity (e.g. kg of emission released per kg of product). Emission factors have been developed for many different industries and activities. Emission factors depend on the technology used, raw materials and pollution control devices. Emission factors can be obtained from industrial database e.g. DSS (available at EEAA).

**Note**

*Sources of information on emission factors should be carefully evaluated and the conditions for using the factors reviewed to determine if it is applicable to the situation at the facility.*

**7.5.4. Engineering calculations.**

Engineering calculations are assumptions and/or judgements used to estimate quantities of listed chemicals released or managed. The quantities are estimated by using physical and chemical properties and relationships (e.g. Raoult's law, Ideal gas law) or by modifying an emission factor to reflect the chemical properties of the toxic chemical in question. Engineering calculations rely on the process parameters; thorough knowledge of the operation is required to complete these calculations.

Engineering calculations can also include computer models. Several computer models are available for estimating emissions from landfills, wastewater treatment, water treatment and other processes.



## 8. MONITORING OF RAW MATERIALS, UTILITIES AND PRODUCT

### 8.1 Raw materials and chemicals

The amount of vegetables, fruits and beans used per day and cost/kg are important monitoring parameters. Fruit and vegetable processing facilities discharges wastewater high in organic load. Peak load will be discharged during filling of juice, tomato paste and jam and due to lack of control or a “force majeure” situation such as power collapse . The flow rate should be monitored to make sure that it does not cause an increase in pollutant concentrations in the final discharge beyond limits set by law. Table 13 shows examples of the parameters, monitoring methods and indications of such parameters.

**Table (13) Monitoring of Raw Materials and Chemicals**

Parameter	Monitoring Method	Indication
Amount of raw materials fruits (such as mangoes, figs, dates, oranges,...etc), vegetables (such as okra, potatoes, ....etc), beans and chemicals (citric acid preservatives,...etc) necessary to produce 1 ton of product	Weighting, measuring, book keeping and recording	Rationality in the use of raw materials
Quantity of rejected raw material (fruits or vegetables) per unit of product	Weighting, measuring, book keeping and recording	Losses, process efficiency, storing or handling problems
Quality of raw material	By visual observation and sorting	Avoiding possible production problems due to bad quality  Identifying raw materials rejected (fruit and vegetables) and handling procedures that could cause BOD increase
Cost of the raw material necessary to produce 1 ton of product	Book keeping	Assess economical burden due to non rational use of raw material and possible avoidable extra costs
Proportion of the cost of raw material in the cost of product & its variation	Book keeping	Assess economical burden due to non rational use of raw material

### 8.2 Utilities

Monitoring of energy consumption takes into account the different forms of energy. It is important to note that heat and electricity cannot be summed up, as they are not commensurate. The energy efficiencies of heat and electricity should therefore be dealt with separately, see Table 14.

**Table (14) Monitoring of Utilities**

Parameters	Monitoring Method	Indication
Energy consumption per ton produced <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Electricity</li> <li>• Fuel</li> </ul>	Consumption measurements and book keeping	Energy use efficiency
	Fuel flow accumulator	
Repartition between the different types of energy used	Recording and book keeping	Energy use efficiency
Water consumption per ton of product produced per ton of production & and its variability	Flow measurements, book keeping and recording	Water use efficiency, most of the discharge related parameters are calculated
<b>Quality of the utilities</b>	According to the specific criteria	Impact on the smooth running and efficiency of processes
Steam : Pressure level Degree of saturation		
Process water : Pressure, temperature, quality		
Boiler water : Chemical quality		
Electric power : Voltage level		

### 8.3 Products

The most important parameters that need monitoring are presented in table (15)

**Table (15) Monitoring of products**

Parameters	Monitoring Method	Indication
Amount produced -Final product) tomato paste, frozen vegetables and fruit, juice, jam, canned fava,...etc)	Recording and book keeping	Production statistics
Rejects as a percentage of the total production, per unit of time -Final product ( out of specification, expired date( -in- line rejects	Recording (quality control(	Production quality, avoidable expenses

## **9. OPERATION CONTROL**

Processes should be operated at the optimum operating conditions to ensure the highest yield and productivity as well as product quality. Operation control deals with the control and monitoring of key parameters that affect environmental performance. These key parameters are monitored to minimize losses and therefore pollution. Planned maintenance is also important to minimize pollution and improve environmental performance.

### **9.1 Monitoring process parameters**

Table (16) presents the major processes in each production line and the parameters that should be monitored to minimize losses, maximizing productivity and predict maintenance needs.

**Table 16. Operation Control**

<b>Major Pollution Process</b>	<b>Cause of pollution</b>	<b>Affected media</b>	<b>Parameter monitored</b>	<b>Method used</b>
<b>Tomato Paste Production Line</b>				
Filtration	Filtrate quality	Water, land	Separation efficiency	Analysis and calculations
Evaporation	Out-of-spec tomato paste	Water, land	Pressure (vacuum)	Pressure indicator
Tomato juice filling	Spills	Water	Spills amount	Collect spills and weigh or measure amount
<b>Frozen Vegetables Production Line</b>				
Freezing	- Refrigerant leaks - Compressor out-of-order (spoiled goods)	Land, ambient air	Temperature	Thermometer
Manual sorting	Solid waste	Land	Amount	Weigh the amount of solid waste
<b>Juice and Syrup Production Line</b>				
Manual sorting	Solid waste	Land	Amount	Weigh the amount of solid waste
Washing	High wastewater flow rate	Water	Amount	Flowrate of water
Packing	Spills	Water	Spills amount	Collect spills and weigh or measure amount
<b>Jam Production Line</b>				
Pasteurization	High steam leaks temperature	Work environment	Temperature	Jam quality
Packing	Spills	Water	Spills amount	Collect spills and weigh and measure amount
<b>For All Units</b>				
Equipment and floor washing	Detergents	Wastewater contain hazardous materials	Amounts	Book keeping

**Table (16) Operation Control (continued)**

Service units	Cause of pollution	Affected media	Parameter monitored	Indication	Method used	Person Responsible	Frequency /Duration
Boilers							
	Steam	Air	Pressure level Degree of saturation	Steam leaks Steam quality	Pressure controller		On-line
	Boiler flue gas	Air	Fuel to air ratio	Incomplete combustion (CO)	Gas analyzer		Every 6 months
	Boiler fuel (mazot)	Air	Sulfur content	SO <sub>x</sub> in flue gas	Gas analyzer		
	Boiler Feed Water	Water	Chemical quality	Scale formation	Analysis	Once a month	
	Softener back wash	Water	Flowrate	Zeolite regeneration	Flow meter on wash water		
Refrigeration system							
	Freon or ammonia leaks	Workplace	Refrigerant pressure Pipe condition	Cooling temperature Product quality	Thermometer		On-line
	Cooling of compressors	Water	Oil in spent cooling water	Oily wastewater	Visual observation		Once a day
Cooling tower							
	Input water quality	Water	Temperature, dissolved solid	Scale formation	Analysis		Twice a month
	Output water		Temperature	Higher temperature	Temperature		
	Blowdown		Flowrate	Scale formation	Flowrate measurement		
Wastewater Treatment Plant							
	- Flowrate higher than design value - Pollutants concentration higher than design value	Receiving water body	Input flowrate and characteristics	Low efficiency	Analysis and measurements		Once a month

## 9.2 Planned maintenance

Maintenance can be classified broadly into planned and emergency maintenance. Various types of planned activities (preventive, predictive) are undertaken with the basic objective of avoiding the need for emergency (breakdown) maintenance and the corresponding loss of plant profitability. The cost of an unscheduled breakdown resulting in loss of production can be substantial, and the cost of repairs may also be considerably higher than the cost of routine, planned maintenance of the equipment. A preventive maintenance program must include the following basic elements:

- Inventory of equipment with detailed design and operating parameters. The operating parameters are monitored as indicators for predictive maintenance.
- A record of failure rate and causes
- Evaluation of condition of equipment using the following criteria:
  - Maintenance cost per unit of product
  - Downtime due to maintenance
  - Percent of planned maintenance hours as compared with emergency maintenance
- Determination of corrective actions.

It is clear from the above paragraph that maintenance is a pollution prevention measure as it increases the efficiency of the unit, minimizes water consumption by preventing leaks, helps conserve energy through proper maintenance of electric and mechanical equipment as well as insulation of steam pipes. Table (17) includes examples of the parameters that can be monitored. The following are examples of typical maintenance procedures for some service units operated in chemical plants:

### ***Compressors and refrigeration systems***

Routine checking should include:

- Testing for leaks
- Checking refrigerant charge
- Checking oil level and lubrication

### ***Boilers, steam lines, heaters and dryers***

There are many items to be checked to prevent explosion, such as checking operating procedures, detection of flame failure, detection of unburned combustibles. With respect to energy conservation, the maintenance of steam traps, steam valves and insulation of steam lines is important. The following parameters should be monitored:

- Water level in the boiler
- Water quality to prevent the build up of scales that reduce heat transfer rates
- Temperature of metal, gas and water
- Pressure
- Fuel to air ratio
- Check the fuel supply for leaks
- Check air supply for leaks
- Check the flue gas temperature.

**Table (17) Monitoring and preventive maintenance**

<b>Parameters</b>	<b>Monitoring method</b>	<b>Indication</b>
Total number of shut downs and production interruptions	Recording	Overall assessment of the process reliability and avoided environmental loads
Number of equipment failures resulting in production shut down per type of process and type of equipment	Recording	Critical equipment
Process performance monitoring	Methods depending on the performance criteria	Process performance/ efficiency of equipment
Process equipment condition monitoring	Numerous methods, inspection, testing	Prevention of failures

## 10. ENVIRONMENTAL MONITORING

Environmental monitoring covers emissions to air, effluent and solid and hazardous waste. Section 4 presents the various law and regulations that apply to emissions, effluents and wastes from the Fruit and Vegetables industry. Expected pollutants and hazardous releases from the industry are specified in section 2.4, Table (3). For each production line related pollution aspects are identified in section 2.2, Figures 2 -6. The pollution aspects of service units are presented in section 2.3 and Figure 7. The output from the measurements and analysis of the parameters are recorded in the environmental register of the facility. Table (18) presents the compliance monitoring activities for the different aspects of pollution as per environmental laws.

Monitoring of pollutants and releases requires careful consideration of the techniques being used because of the expected effect on the interpretation and hence, the reliability of the collected data. The common techniques used in environmental monitoring will be explained in next section.

### 10.1 Emission to air

Air emissions can be measured either on periodical or continuous basis.

**Periodical measurements:** Periodical measurements give the state of emissions over the chosen sampling time. Quantities needed in every emission calculation, such as volume flow, oxygen content and humidity of the fume, are determined by periodical measurements. Periodical measurement results are also used as a support for converting the continuous concentration measurement results into annual emissions.

Periodical measurements are carried out as manual single measurements or as short period continuous measurements by the plant itself or by an exterior measurer. Periodical emission measurements are carried out annually for the following emission components: NO<sub>x</sub>, SO<sub>2</sub>, CO, CO<sub>2</sub>, Cl and particles. In all cases, it should be noted that regular maintenance, control and calibration are needed to obtain an acceptable measurement accuracy level.

**Continuous measurements:** The continuous measurements describe the temporal variation of the concentrations of the emission components during the operation. General requirements for continuous monitoring systems are that the sampling locations should be representative and that the monitoring equipment should be suitable for the concentrations to be monitored in the prevailing circumstances. The emission control data system should preferably be part of the process control system. Sulfur dioxide, TRS, particles, carbon oxide are generally measured continuously.

**Emission calculation:** Differences between the different calculation methods can cause mistakes when comparing the environmental loads of different plants. Material balance calculations are used to complete emission measurements in order to get an impression of the reliability of the measurement results as well as to create a general view of the total emission level of each component. The amount of diffuse emissions that cannot be recorded by emission measurements can be substantial.



## 10.2 Effluents (wastewater)

The regulations set the limits for the concentrations of specific pollutants of in wastewater when discharged to a recipient body. For monitoring purposes, the discharge values for specific substances or parameters are mostly expressed as total amounts per unit time. In some cases these values are given as specific amounts per ton of product or as purification efficiencies. Limit values are set for a large number of parameters such as COD/BOD<sub>5</sub>, TSS, phosphorus and nitrogen.

**Monitored control parameters:** Typical wastewater control parameters include the following:

- ☐ Wastewater flow (Q), m<sup>3</sup>/d
- ☐ Total suspended solids (TSS), mg/l
- ☐ Temperature, °C
- ☐ Chemical oxygen demand (COD<sub>Cr</sub>)
- ☐ Biological oxygen demand (BOD<sub>5</sub>)
- ☐ Total nitrogen (N), mg/l
- ☐ pH
- ☐ Conductivity, mS/m

**Flow measurement:** Measuring of the total wastewater flow is required for the operation of the wastewater treatment plant. There have been no provisions on the procedures or the accuracy of a flow measurement, but installation of automatic composite samplers (preferable flow dependent) can be used. Wastewater flow is usually measured with venture measurement equipment, but also magnetic and ultrasonic methods are used. Measurement equipment is maintained several times a year and the measurement system is calibrated regularly.

Regular maintenance, control and calibration are needed to obtain an acceptable measurement accuracy level. The structure of the measurement system, a possible mounting fault or a false choice for measurement area can cause errors. Other sources of error or factors disturbing the measurement are dirt deposition and temperature variations. Evaluation of the total error is extremely difficult, as it must include all these factors.

**Sampling:** Well realized sampling is essential for determining of wastewater discharges. There are general instructions for wastewater sampling. However, industry-specific problems such as variation of the wastewater quality or flow rate have to be solved on case-by-case basis.

**Table 18a. Compliance monitoring for air pollution, workplace and wastewater**

Major pollution sources	Impact	Parameter monitored	Method used	Source type		Operating		Person responsible	Frequency
				Point	Diffuse	Normal	Exceptional		
Boilers									
Flue gases	Air	Particulate matters Sulfur oxide Nitrogen oxides Carbon dioxides	Gas analyzer						Depends on needs
Fans	Work environment	Noise	Noise meter						Depends on needs
Tomato Paste Production Line									
Heating and squeezing	Work environment	Temperature	Thermometer						Depends on needs
Frozen Vegetables Production Line									
Freezing	Work environment	Temperature	Thermometer						Depends on needs
Juice Syrup Production Line									
Sterilization	Work environment	Temperature Humidity	Thermometer Hygrometer						Depends on needs
End-of-pipe									
Wastewater effluent	Receiving water body	BOD, COD and TSS	Analysis						Depends on needs

**Table 18b. Compliance monitoring plan for solid waste**

Process Unit	Type of waste	Tons/year	Tons /ton production	Internal Utilization		Discharged	Frequency
				Reused	Recovered		
Peeling and sorting	Spoilt vegetables and fruit + peels						Depends on needs
Juice filtration	Seeds						Depends on needs
Workshops	Scrap						Depends on needs
Garage	Scrap						Depends on needs
Wastewater Treatment Plant	Sludge						Depends on needs

Samples are either single grab samples, composite samples, or composite samples in proportion to the flow. A single grab sample reveals the composition of the wastewater at the sampling time. With several single samples it is possible to follow the wastewater load peaks, quality variation and the variation range of the significant parameters. A composite sample reveals the average composition over a chosen period. A 24-hour composite sample is normally taken in proportion to the flow so that the sampler is controlled by flow meter. Sampling period and sample size should be considered on case-by-case basis depending on the analyses used and on the issues affecting the reliability of sampling and analyses. Samples for wastewater analysis are mostly taken over 24 hours, 5-7 days a week. In some cases samples are frozen and combined to cover a longer period. Samples for COD and suspended solid determination are taken daily or continuously and analyzed daily. Samples for BOD and nutrient determination are usually taken weekly. pH and conductivity are usually measured continuously.

**Analyses:** A specific analysis program may be needed for each plant. The program usually covers a wide range of measurements and analyses, as predetermined in the self-monitoring plan. The measurements and analyses should be carried out according to the standards recommended by the authorities.

It is important to mention that in year 2000, EEAA/Central Laboratories developed a document detailing all the standard sampling and analysis techniques for wastewater.

**Calculations:** Wastewater discharges are calculated and reported as specified in the monitoring plan. Discharges are often calculated as below:

Discharge per day	The arithmetic mean value of the daily samples taken during one month divided by the number of sampling days
Discharge per month	Daily discharge multiplied by calendar days
Discharge per year	Sum of the values of monthly discharges

The efficiency of biological wastewater treatment is also controlled by calculating the reduction of organic matter (BOD, COD) between untreated wastewater before primary sedimentation and treated wastewater after secondary clarification. A typical wastewater discharge monitoring report includes e.g. monthly mean values and variations for discharges at the monitoring points before and after the treatment, applicable limit values and also some production information.

### 10.3 Monitoring of solid waste

The properties of solid wastes that are generated, especially when they are utilized or taken to a landfill, have to be investigated. The general principles in landfill operation are that the composition, leachability, long-term behavior and the properties of the waste. The approval for using a landfill for a specific waste is based on the origin and the properties of the waste. The evaluation of the waste is based on the following:

- ☐ The composition of the waste
- ☐ The organic content and degradation properties of the waste,
- ☐ The content and leachability of harmful compounds, and
- ☐ The ecotoxicological effects of the waste and the landfill waters

## **11. DATA COLLECTION, PROCESSING AND USAGE**

The general objective for the self-monitoring system is to produce data that is representative, repeatable, reliable, compatible and comparable. These characteristics are dependent on the applied measures for quality control and quality assurance throughout the data production chain i.e. volume determination, sampling, sample pretreatment, treatment and analysis, data processing and reporting.

### **11.1 Data collection and processing**

The different parts of the monitoring system of a plant include diverse factors affecting the reliability and comparability of the emission data. These factors have to be taken into consideration in sampling, sample treatment and analysis as well as in processing and reporting of the data. Requirements for the whole data production chain should be set in the monitoring program. In addition, implementation of the relevant measures for quality control and quality assurance is extremely important in obtaining maximum reliability, repeatability and comparability.

The aspects and parameters that are involved in data collection and processing are explained in the Annex A. Figure (10) shows the main aspects and parameters that affect the effectiveness of SM in terms of reliability, repeatability and comparability.

### **11.2 Using SM outputs**

The implementation of the self-monitoring plan will basically result in three outputs:

- Data and information about the facility
- Preparing the environmental register as required by law.
- Reports describing results of the self-monitoring and problems faced during implementation
- Feed back and decision making

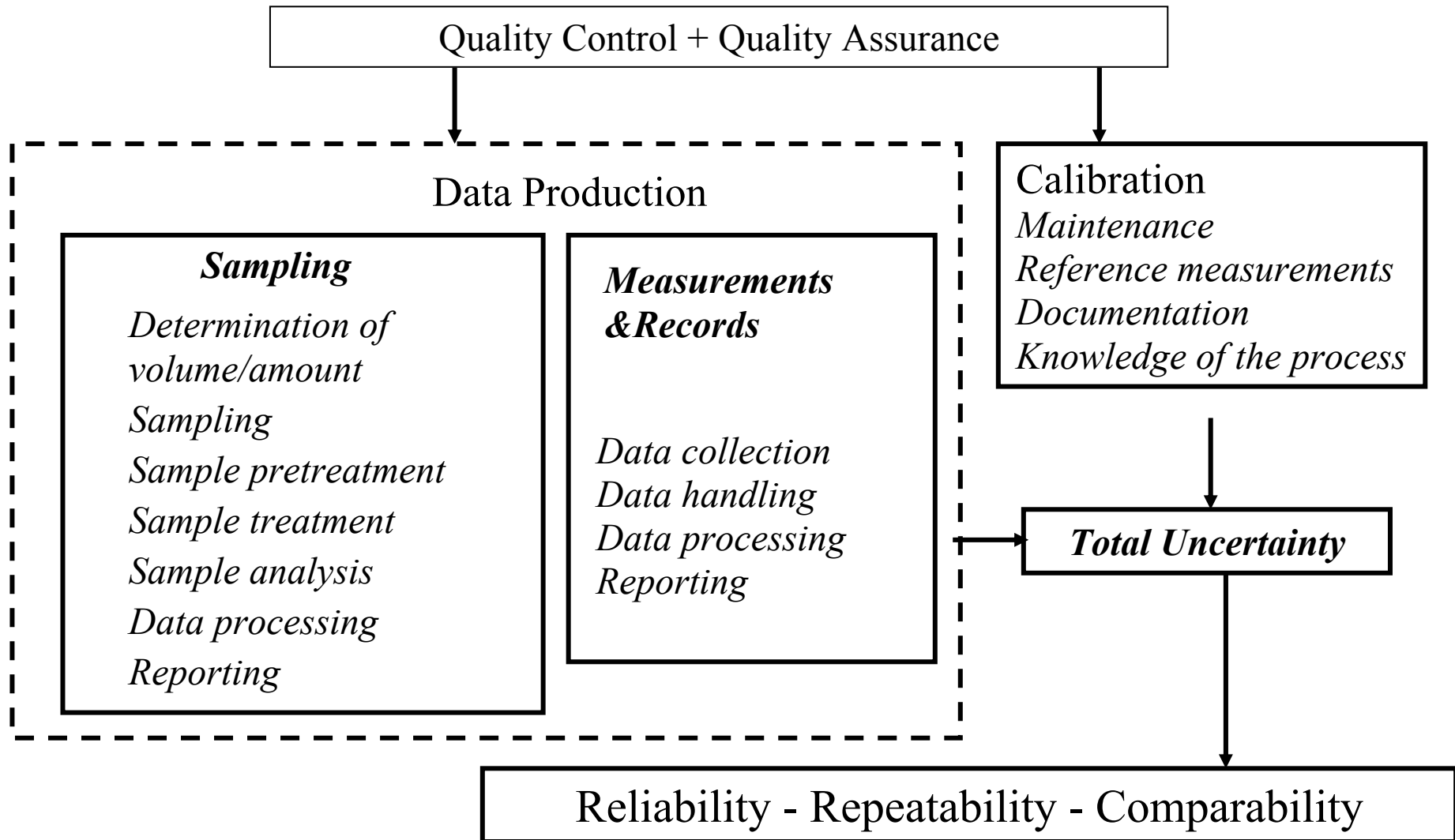
#### **11.2.1 Techniques for summarizing and illustrating data**

It is best practice to record process and environmental information in a detailed archive or database. It can then be related easily to the monitoring results and used to evaluate, compare and manage aspects of process performance such as:

- the rate of release of pollutants compared to production
- the rate of generation of waste compared to production
- the rate of consumption of energy and/or materials compared to production
- the impacts on environmental receptors compared to production or to their sensitivity
- the overall resource efficiency of the process, i.e. production compared to inputs or raw materials and energy, and outputs of pollutants and waste

There are many techniques used in the interpretation of results (e.g. statistical analysis of the measurement results, reduction of operating conditions to normal conditions when monitoring gaseous emissions).

Figure (10) Parameters Affecting SM Reliability



### 11.2.2. Environmental register

Only monitoring data related to compliance will be included in the environmental register. Description of the measuring and/or analytical techniques used should be reported as well as the location of sampling and measuring. EEAA/EPAP prepared a detailed description of the environmental register, based on the requirements of law 4/1994, see Annex B. The competent authorities could request the inspection of the measuring devices to check their operability and the maintenance record for these devices. The procedures for taking samples could also be checked by the inspector. The inspectors check whether the facility has provided information that is relevant and of sufficient quality. To assess compliance, a simple numerical or statistical comparison between the measurements, their uncertainty and the limit value is performed.

According to Law 4/1994, compliance self-monitoring data should be recorded and kept for a minimum of 10 years.

### 11.2.3. Reporting

Description of the reporting scheme, its content, recipient and purpose should be included in the self-monitoring plan. A monitoring report is a uniform presentation of data over a fixed period. An annual monitoring report that provides information of the past calendar year is always required. Shorter period reports are required for significant polluters. The conditions of the process and equipment as well as location of monitoring points should be specified. Reporting can be:

- **Internal** to inform management and raise the environmental awareness of the facility personnel. It should include problems met during the implementation of the SM plan to be used in decision making.
- **External** for the competent authority based on the environmental register, establishments are required to report on environmental violations.

### 11.2.4. Internal auditing and conclusions on results

The data obtained must be compared regularly with the objectives written down in the monitoring program to check that they are being met.

### 11.2.5. Feedback and decision making

Feedback on the assessment of compliance based on the monitoring results should include all parties involved with the monitoring activities. The participants should make the necessary improvements and corrections to the next monitoring program.

In those parts of the monitoring program where compliance is met, possible reduction in frequency of monitoring can be considered and instead move resources to parts that need more accurate monitoring, e.g. borderline or non-compliance situations.

Feedback should include all parts of the monitoring program, process, product control, maintenance, environmental management and occupational safety. Detailed requirements should be set for the improvements needed and a date fixed for their implementation.

#### **11.2.6. Using outputs in public relations**

The monitoring data is refined and distributed to the end users such as national and international reporting, research and statistical purposes, citizens, and the media.

The citizens have the right to present complaints about the health or environmental impacts caused by the operation these complaints are directed to the permitting and supervising authority.

Monitoring data is needed e.g. in national research and statistics, for planning and evaluation purposes, by national group organizations and the media.



## *Annex A*

### **DATA COLLECTION AND PROCESSING**

The general objective for the self-monitoring system is to produce data that is representative, repeatable, reliable, compatible and comparable. These characteristics are dependent on the applied measures for quality control and quality assurance throughout the data production chain i.e. volume determination, sampling, sample pretreatment, treatment and analysis, data processing and reporting. Data production chain is explained in Section 3.

#### **1 Reliability**

The realism and correctness of the measurement results should be assessed against the knowledge of the processes and inputs, e.g. by using mass balance calculations.

***Good knowledge of the process:*** This is essential for achieving reliable emission data. Process input variations can include varying properties of the raw material, chemicals or fuel used in the processes, and the size of the input. The interdependency between the inputs, processes and outputs (products and environmental load) should be known to be able to assess the correctness of the monitoring results.

***Total uncertainty:*** The results obtained from any measurement have a specific uncertainty. It is important that the uncertainty is estimated and taken into account when the results are used in process management or for regulatory purposes. For example, the measurement result  $10 \text{ g/t} \pm 2 \text{ g/t}$  indicates that the uncertainty for this specific measurement is 20 % of the measured value.

Each step of the data production chain has an uncertainty and the total uncertainty of the measurement is the sum of these partial uncertainties. Uncertainty of each step of the data production chain must be known in order to be able to give the uncertainty of the final results, i.e. the uncertainty of the whole data production chain. When assessing the measurement uncertainty it is good to keep in mind that the factors causing measurement error can also affect each other.

***Calibration and maintenance*** have to be carried out according to the relevant instructions and the management of them must be documented.

***Reference measurements*** are carried out to certify the reliability of the measurements in practice. Results of an independent and neutral measurement laboratory are compared with the operator or consultant monitoring results. Reference measurements should be carried out regularly.

#### **2 Comparability**

Monitoring systems at the individual plants differ according to the scale, production, capacity or economic aspects of the operation. Data on necessary auxiliary measures and good documentation of the measurement procedure improves both the comparability and reliability of the results. All reference data, i.e. auxiliary measures

and reference data (inputs and outputs) should be clearly defined in the monitoring program or permit according to the nationally and internationally used standards and guidelines.

### 3 Data Production Chain

The different parts of the monitoring system of a plant include diverse factors affecting the reliability and comparability of the emission data. These factors have to be taken into consideration in sampling, sample treatment and analysis as well as in processing and reporting of the data. Requirements for the whole data production chain should be set in the monitoring program.

**Data Production Chain:** The data production chain includes the following phases:

- *Determination of volume/amount*
- *Sampling*
- *Sample pretreatment*
- *Sample treatment*
- *Sample analysis*
- *Data processing*
- *Reporting*

**Determination of volume/amount:** The accuracy of determination of the volume of the release has a substantial impact on magnitude of the total emissions. Variations in the volume measurement results can be caused either by variations in the flow of the emission or in the accuracy of the measurement. Measurement of volume flow or amount of the emission can be continuous, periodic or single.

**Sampling:** Continuous emission analysis includes sampling, sample pretreatment, sample treatment and analysis. Variations in the process or emission treatment affect also the quantity and quality of the sample. Both sampling conditions and the sampling point must be representative. Measurement of emission concentration can be continuous, periodic or single. The sample must be representative in relation to the measurement point, emission flow/amount, sampling period and time period.

**Sample pretreatment:** Sample pretreatment includes all treatment of the sample before it is taken to the laboratory. The need for sample pretreatment is determined by the needs to protect the substance to be determined from any changes before analysis. Usually the appropriate pretreatment method is presented in the standards.

**Sample treatment:** Sample treatment includes operations in the laboratory before analysis, such as dilution, concentration, pH adjustment, adding of reagents. Sample treatment is usually carried out according to standards or specific method instructions. The treatment methods used should be documented.

**Sample analysis:** Sample analysis includes physical, chemical or biological determination of the parameter. Figures presented in emission reporting are not always comparable, without describing the analysis methods used.

**Data processing:** The calculation methods for the emission data are process specific and their function is to give as true load data for the specific process as possible. The correspondences of the equations to the reality must be checked from time to time and automatically in cases of any changes having an impact on them. The following general rules for emission calculation need to be determined and used nationally to harmonize the methods:

- calculation methods for the peak of an hour, calendar day, monthly/annual means
- amount of emission data needed for calculation of the annual mean of the emission
- exceeding times, i.e. percentage of time of the exceptional emissions of the total operation time
- utilization rate for the continuous measurements, i.e. percentage of time during which the measurement system has not been available of the total operation time
- calculation formulas used for data conversion into reference conditions
- conversion factors used for data conversion between different units
- calculation methods for total emissions over a certain period

**Reporting:** Data reporting should include sufficient data on the parameters, pollutants and other measures that are defined in the monitoring plan. The data to be reported should be presented in the form required with all the additional information and documentation.

A **monitoring report** is a uniform presentation of the emission data over a fixed period. An annual monitoring report-providing information of the past calendar year is always required. In case of large industrial sites, shorter period reports are demanded (a monthly report or a report over 3, 4 or 6 months). Emission data must be presented in a form easy to compare with the given emission limits. The following data is needed for reporting:

- *The emission parameters and pollutants* are reported with all the relevant the reference parameters, auxiliary measures and uncertainties expressed as required in the monitoring program in one or more of the following forms:
  - Specific emissions (ton / ton of production): used for assessing performance or efficiency
  - Total emissions (t/ year) : used for assessing the environmental load
  - Concentration (mg / m<sup>3</sup>, PPM, % O<sub>2</sub>): used for e.g. operation control
  - Flow rate (m/s): used for e.g. velocity/rate for flue gas/effluent
  - Residence time (s): used e.g. for assessing completeness of combustion
  - Temperature (°C): requirements for controlling certain exhaust pollutants.
  - Heat (W): thermal stress in the recipient
  - The *exceptional and diffuse emissions* are included in the total emissions of the period.
- *Operation control data* should be available to the authority.
- *Utilization rate* of the measurement system is expressed e.g. as percentage of the process operation time.
- *Documentation of the reference measurements.*

#### **4 Quality control and quality assurance**

Quality control is a system of routine technical activities to measure and control the quality of monitoring data as it is being produced. QC includes e.g. checking of equipment, methods and procedures, and that the monitoring system is regularly calibrated and maintained. The relevant instruments personnel and analytical laboratories should be certified under recognized schemes.

Quality assurance includes a system of reviewing the implementation of the quality system by personnel not directly involved in the monitoring process. QA reviews verify that the quality objectives are met and ensures that the monitoring carried out represents the best available results.

Guidelines for the below listed factors help to harmonize the practical factors at site level. The monitoring plan can determine the listed factors even in details. If the plant or the laboratory uses a sub-supplier in any step of the data production chain, the competence of the sub-supplier has to be checked, too. Quality system work involves the following processes:

***Data production chain***

***Maintenance and calibration***

***Certification and Accreditation***

## *Annex B*

### **REGISTER OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONDITION**

#### **General Information:**

- Name:
- Address:
- Contact Person:
- Position:
- Time Period covered by the current data:

#### **General Description of the facility:**

- Industrial Sector:
- Actual Production:
- Production Capacity:
- Products:
- Capital Investment:
- Annual Turnover:
- Number of Employees:
- Year of Start of Operations:
- Major Renovations:

#### **Location:**

- The location of the plant shown on a map describing also neighboring areas.
- Layout describing the location of the building, unit processes, storage areas and other parts of the plants of wastewater and air emission points to be shown on the layout.
- The maps should also show types of the surrounding and sensitive areas (Hospitals, Schools, Settlements, Parks).

#### **Raw Materials:**

- Use of raw materials & auxiliary materials (ton/year)
- Opening times for processes shall be reported as follows:
  1. Annual average operating time (days/year or hour/year)
  2. Weekly operating time and operating days per week
  3. Daily operating time and shifts per day
  4. Possible daily or seasonal variations
- Maximum amounts of each kept in storage
- Describe storage area
- Danger substance:

### List of danger substance used

Name of substance	Annual consumption	Environmental properties (flammability,.....)

- Describe storage areas (capacities, preventive emergency, constructions, ventilation,.....).
- The method for circulation of the danger substance by (hand, windlass,.....).

### **Raw Water:**

- Sources of raw water.
- Amounts of raw water taken per source and year.
- Use of water:
  - 1.For processes
  - 2.For lighting
  - 3.For other purposes

### **Laws and Legislation:**

- State laws & regulations pertinent to the establishment. Attach copies of possible decisions and permits:
  1. Law no. 4/94 (yes or no)
  2. Law no. 93/62 (yes or no)
  3. Law no. 48/82 (yes or no)
  4. Law no. 137/81 (yes or no)
- Attach copies of the correspondence with EEAA & other environmental authorities.

### **Process Description:**

- Attach copies from schematic diagrams for each unit processes.
- Describe the utilities (e.g. boilers).
- Using of raw water for each unit:

Name of Unit	Water consume

- Using of energy & fuels for each unit:

Name of Unit	Fuels consume

### **Gaseous Emissions:**

- Describe the gaseous emissions (for each stack).
- Name of each unit giving rise to air pollution.
- Rate of gas emission ( $\text{m}^3/\text{year}$ ):

Pollutants	Concentration of Pollutants $\text{mg}/\text{m}^3$	Limits of Law 4/94 for Combustion of Fuels $\text{mg}/\text{m}^3$	Limits of Law 4/94 for Emission of production processes $\text{mg}/\text{m}^3$	Loads of Pollutants ton/year

- This table for each stack.
- Measure the conc. of pollutants according to Annex no. 6 in the Executive Regulations of Law 4/94 if this emission generated from unit processes but if this emission generated from combustion of fuels so the measurement of the conc. of pollutants according to Article no. 42 in the Executive Regulations of Law 4/94.
- Describe all treatment facilities for gaseous emissions (estimate, material balance, individual measurement, continuous monitoring of process parameter, continuous monitoring of emissions).
- Treatment processes for gaseous emissions:
  1. Name of unit linked by the equipment of treatment
  2. Type of the equipment
  3. Describe the equipment
  4. Design efficiency %
  5. Actual efficiency %
- Pollution before & after treatment:

Conc. of the pollutants before treatment $\text{mg}/\text{m}^3$	Conc. of the pollutants after treatment $\text{mg}/\text{m}^3$	Loads of the pollutants before treatment ton/year	Loads of the pollutants after treatment ton/year

- This table for each treatment unit.
- Describe treatment, transport, and disposal of sludge from air pollution control

**Wastewater Emissions:**

- Attach copy show discharge points of industrial sewerage and domestic sewerage on the maps.

**Wastewater Treatment Plant:**

Describe wastewater treatment facilities with layouts and drawing. The following information shall be given:

- Processes flow diagram
- Machinery
- Design parameter
- The unit linked by the equipment of treatment.
- Type of treatment (initial, secondary, advanced).
- Capacity of the plant (m<sup>3</sup>/hour).
- Type of equipment.
- Describe the treatment of sludge.
- Describe the way used for disposal of sludge.
- Loads of pollutants:

Pollutants	Loads of pollutants for income water	Loads of pollutants for outcome water

- The design efficiency (%) & actual efficiency.
- Monitoring of efficiency

**Discharge sewerage:**

Table for pollutants according to discharge points and discharge points after the treatment.

Pollutants	Conc. of Pollutants (mg/l)	Limits of Law	Loads ton/year



- The concentration of pollutants measure according to the annex no. 1 of the Executive Regulations of Law 4/94 if the wastewater discharge into the sea.
- The concentration of pollutants measure according to modify by Decree 9 for 1989 if the wastewater discharge into Municipal Sewerage.
- The concentration of pollutants measure according to the Article no. 61, 62, 66 of Law no. 48/82 if the wastewater discharge into Fresh water or Non fresh water.

### **Solid Waste Loads:**

- Solid waste for each unit
- Name of each unit

Kind of Solid Waste	The Quantity of Solid Waste ton/year	Volume of Solid Waste m <sup>3</sup> /year	Notes
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Paper</li> <li>• Plastics</li> <li>• Glasses</li> <li>• Organic Compound</li> <li>• Metals</li> <li>• Anther Materials</li> </ul>			

- This table for each unit.

- Describe the waste disposal areas (total solid waste)

Kind of Solid Waste	The Quantity of Solid Waste ton/year	Volume of Solid Waste m <sup>3</sup> /year	Notes
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Paper</li> <li>• Plastics</li> <li>• Glasses</li> <li>• Organic Compound</li> <li>• Metals</li> <li>• Anther Materials</li> </ul>			

### **Hazardous Wastes (Article no. 28 of Law no. 4/94):**

- Hazardous waste for each unit (Name of units):

Kind of Hazardous Waste	The Quantity of Hazardous Waste ton/year	Volume of Hazardous Waste m <sup>3</sup> /year	Notes

**Working Environment:**

- According to Annex no. 7,8,9 of Law no. 4/94
- Name of each unit

Pollutants	Conc. of Pollutants (mg/m3)	Limits of Law no. 4/94	Loads ton/year
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Temperature</li><li>• Humidity</li><li>• Noise</li><li>• Heat</li><li>• Vibrations</li><li>• Bacteria &amp; Viruses</li><li>• Odors</li><li>• Other Emissions</li></ul>			

## **Self Monitoring of Emissions**

### **Article no. 17 of Law no. 4/94:**

- **Wastewater:**
- Parameters monitored (BOD, COD, TDS, TSS, Heavy metals, .....etc.)
- Sampling Location, Sampling Frequency and Time Table.

Sampling Location	Time between Samples

- Analytical Procedures:
- The person who responsible for monitoring and reporting

- **Gaseous Emission from Stacks:**
- Parameters monitored (NO<sub>x</sub>, Sox, CO<sub>x</sub>, CO, ..... Etc.)
- Sampling Location, Sampling Frequency and Time Table.

Sampling Location	Time between Samples

- Analytical Procedures
- The person who responsible for monitoring and reporting

- **Working Environment:**
- Parameters monitored (dust emissions, odors, noise, ..... etc.)
- Sampling Location, Sampling Frequency and Time Table.

Sampling Location	Time between Samples

- Analytical Procedures
- The person who responsible for monitoring and reporting

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