

1. HEALTH & SAFETY POLICY STATEMENT OF INTENT

It is the policy of J.S Vehicle Solutions to provide and maintain safe and healthy working conditions, equipment, and systems of work for all mobile operations, and to provide such information, training, and supervision as needed for this purpose. We also accept our responsibility for the health and safety of clients, members of the public, and others who may be affected by our mobile mechanical activities.

2. RESPONSIBILITIES & GOVERNANCE

Overall and final responsibility for health and safety within **J.S Vehicle Solutions** rests with the Proprietor / Lead Technician.

- **Lead Technician Responsibilities:**
 - Ensuring dynamic risk assessments are conducted before starting work at any mobile site.
 - Maintaining all vehicle lifting equipment, axle stands, diagnostic systems, and power tools in safe operating condition.
 - Ensuring appropriate Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) is available, used, and correctly maintained.
 - Ensuring safe handling, storage, and disposal of hazardous automotive chemicals (COSHH).
- **Client / Site Expectations:** Clients are requested to ensure safe vehicle positioning (away from immediate traffic risks where possible) and to keep unauthorized persons and pets away from the working area.

3. KEY OPERATIONAL HAZARDS & CONTROL MEASURES

Mobile mechanical repairs present unique hazards due to changing working environments, weather conditions, roadside hazards, and remote working.

4. MOBILE WORKING & LONE WORKER SAFETY

As a mobile vehicle servicing operation, technicians frequently work alone at client residential premises, commercial sites, or roadside locations.

- **Communication Protocols:** Technicians maintain mobile contact with a designated contact person, providing job locations and estimated duration times.
- **Dynamic Site Assessment:** Prior to initiating work, the technician must evaluate the site for hazards including incline, ground stability (asphalt vs. loose gravel), overhead obstructions, and proximity to moving traffic.
- **Adverse Weather Conditions:** During severe weather (heavy rain, ice, extreme wind), outdoor work may be paused or relocated to safe covered areas to prevent slippage or hypothermia.

5. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION & COSHH COMPLIANCE

J.S Vehicle Solutions is committed to environmental protection and compliance with Environmental Protection Act regulations:

- **Waste Fluids:** Used engine oil, gear oils, brake fluids, and coolants are collected into dedicated sealed containers and disposed of through licensed waste carriers.

- **Spill Prevention:** Mobile service units carry absorbent spill kits (granules and mats). Any accidental spillage is immediately contained, cleaned, and properly disposed of.
- **Batteries & Components:** Scrap lead-acid batteries, old brake components, and contaminated rags are retained in designated storage within the service vehicle for compliant recycling.

Emergency Response Protocol: In the event of a significant chemical spill, fire, or severe injury during mobile operations: immediately secure the scene, turn off vehicle ignitions, administer basic first aid using the mobile first aid kit, and call emergency services (999) if required.

6. EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE & PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT

All tools, machinery, and safety apparatus undergo routine inspection and servicing:

- **PPE Requirements:** Safety footwear with toe protection, high-visibility waistcoats/jackets, eye protection (ANSI/EN166 approved), and heavy-duty nitrile/mechanic gloves are mandatory for operational tasks.
- **Lifting Equipment:** Hydraulic jacks, axle stands, and engine cranes are inspected visually before each use and undergo formal annual examination under LOLER guidance.
- **First Aid & Fire Safety:** Mobile units are equipped with a fully stocked BS 8599-1 compliant first aid kit and a multi-purpose dry powder fire extinguisher, inspected regularly.

7. POLICY STATEMENT SIGN-OFF

This policy statement is approved and implemented for all operational activities conducted by J.S Vehicle Solutions.

Hazard / Activity	Identified Risk	Control Measures & Safe Operating Procedures
Vehicle Jacking & Support	Vehicle slippage, collapse, severe crush injuries, fatality.	• Never rely solely on hydraulic or trolley jacks. • Always secure vehicle using rated, calibrated axle stands on firm, level ground. • Use heavy-duty wheel chocks on non-lifted wheels. • Inspect lifting gear regularly under LOLER regulations.
Roadside & Mobile Site Operations	Struck by passing vehicles, sloped ground, slippery surfaces.	• Perform dynamic risk assessment upon arrival. • High-visibility clothing (Class 3) must be worn at all times near traffic. • Deploy warning triangles / beacons on service vehicle when operating on high-risk roads. • Refuse work on unsafe highway shoulders or unstable ground.
Hazardous Substances (COSHH)	Chemical burns, dermatitis, eye injury, toxic vapor inhalation (oils, brake fluid, coolant).	• Wear nitrile/chemical-resistant gloves and safety eyewear during fluid servicing. • Utilize drip trays and sealed recovery containers for oil and coolant changes. • Store chemicals securely in mobile van racks with secondary containment.
Electrical & OBD Diagnostics	Short circuits, battery acid exposure, high-voltage shock (EV/Hybrid).	• Disconnect battery ground cables prior to major electrical component work. • Wear protective eyewear during battery testing, fitting, and jump-starting.

Hazard / Activity	Identified Risk	Control Measures & Safe Operating Procedures
		• Inspect insulated tools and diagnostic equipment prior to use.
Manual Handling & Power Tools	Musculoskeletal injury, eye injuries from flying debris, cut/abrasion hazards.	• Utilize proper lifting techniques; use mechanical aids for heavy assemblies. • Wear safety glasses when operating impact wrenches, wire wheels, or grinders. • Keep all hand tools clean, free from oil, and in good structural condition.

Proprietor Name: J.S Vehicle Solutions Lead Technician
 Date: 12th September 2026

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