



# GREEN MARK CASE STUDY

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## LONDON CONTAINER SERVICES LTD

### Company Background

Founded in 1985, London Container Services is a container service company based in Rainham employing 30 staff. Initially, the business focussed on the repair and refurbishment of shipping containers but has now branched out to include self-storage and the refurbishment of skips, compactors and other equipment.

### Why Green Mark?

London Container Services tendered for the London Borough of Camden skip maintenance contract and as part of the process they were asked about their environmental practices in considerable detail – it later emerged that this would be a condition of most council contracts. Gaining recognition through Green Mark seemed an effective way of demonstrating that the company was meeting its environmental responsibilities and that it takes environmental performance seriously.

### Significant Changes

The company has always been very strict on health & safety procedures and having begun the process of working towards Green Mark it became clear that there was a lot of common ground between environmental and health & safety good practice. For example, London Containers had always been conscientious about spillages because of their potential impact on employees and now also because their potential impact on the wider environment.

### Advantages of Green Mark

In addition to the above London Container Services feels that having Green Mark is “helpful”. The company has received praise for adopting the scheme from existing clients and it also makes other stakeholders aware that although they run an industrial business, they take their responsibilities towards the environment and their surroundings seriously.

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