



Preserve Nature

Water Management

Compared with the traditional tobacco industry, the water consumption of the e-vapor industry is significantly less, mainly in the cleaning aspects of the production process and the water use in the office work. RELX strictly abides by the *Water Law of the People's Republic of China* and the *Environmental Protection Law of the People's Republic of China* and other relevant laws and regulations. In the *RELX Environmental Policy*, we pledge to promote resource conservation and improve the efficiency of water use. In the *RELX Code of Conduct for Business Partners*, we explicitly require suppliers to take effective measures to continuously improve water efficiency to further implement strict water management throughout the industry chain.

We keep a specialized ledger of water consumption, regularly track and analyze the water consumption of our self-owned factories, laboratories, and offices, and set water conservation targets and action plans. We regularly check the integrity of water pipelines and water supply facilities to prevent water loss due to leakage. We continually optimize product design and the production process to minimize water consumption per product. We install and use water-saving equipment and facilities in the office, post water saving notices, and advocate employees to save water and eliminate water waste.

We strive to promote water control in our supply chain. In 2022, RELX conducted third-party examination of suppliers' water management. The examination covered water consumption and water-saving plans. No major water management risks were identified. In the future, we will continue to expand the coverage of supply chain water audits, promote suppliers to establish water management systems, set water conservation targets and performance, improve our management of water resources in the supply chain, and reduce RELX's water footprint in the supply chain.

In 2022, the Company's total water consumption was 9,142.62 tonnes.

Reduction of Waste

We manage the hazardous wastes generated in our self-owned factories and laboratories according to the *Law of the People's Republic of China on the Prevention and Control of Environment Pollution Caused by Solid Wastes*, the *Environmental Protection Law of the People's Republic of China*, and other relevant laws and regulations. We classify, collect, and manage hazardous wastes according to the *National Catalogue of Hazardous Wastes*; entrust qualified treatment agencies with the transfer, transportation, disposal, and utilization of hazardous wastes; and file and regularly declare to the ecological environment department as required by regulations.

We set up hazardous waste storage warehouses in accordance with national regulations, established hazardous waste management systems and ledgers, and regularly reported hazardous waste management plans and ledgers on the Guangdong Province Solid Waste Environmental Supervision

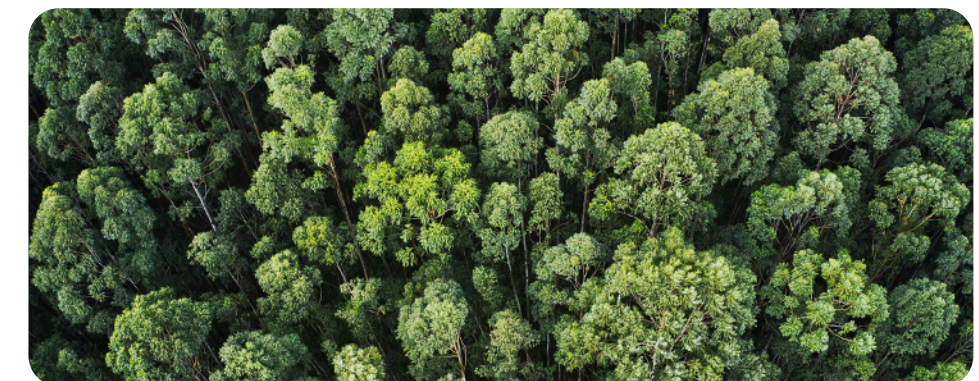
Information Platform. The hazardous waste storage rooms are equipped with sufficient labor protection and firefighting supplies to ensure safety for operators. For non-hazardous waste (mostly daily office waste and general industrial solid waste) generated in the production and office processes, we follow the 4R principles⁷ to minimize waste production. For waste that cannot be reused, we collect and classify it according to local regulations and transfer it to a qualified third party for treatment as required.

RELX 2022 Waste generated

Indicator	Unit	2022
Non-hazardous waste generated	tonne	129.33
Hazardous waste generated ⁸	tonne	66.29

Biodiversity Commitment

Biodiversity is fundamental for human well-being and health of the Earth, while loss of biodiversity has become one of the grimmest environmental risks globally. RELX is aware of the possible impact on biodiversity from its business operations and use of natural resources (such as forest products, soil and water). The Board of Directors authorizes the ESG Committee to include biodiversity into the ESG risk management system. While ensuring compliance with all the international, national and local biodiversity laws and regulations, we make the following commitments. We will avoid as much as possible or minimize the impact of our business activities on biodiversity, proactively identify and avoid business in areas with high biodiversity value, re-evaluate the biodiversity impact of the profound changes with our production or mode of production when possible material influence on the ecosystem is expected, and assist suppliers to understand and manage their impact on biodiversity, so as to minimize our influence in the entire supply chain.



7. The 4R principles refer to Reduce, Reuse, Recycle, and Replace.

8. The statistics of hazardous wastes cover waste organic solvents and waste containing organic solvents, waste mineral oil and waste containing mineral oil, waste acid, and waste alkali generated in laboratories and self-owned factories, as well as scrap products recycled in after-sale quality service.