

SPECIALTIES

Environmental criminal law

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Environmental rules and regulations are becoming ever tighter. The authorities are strict in monitoring compliance. Violating permit conditions can lead to crippling fines, or even shut-downs.

Environmental criminal law is a highly specialist field. The majority of Dutch environmental rules and regulations are based on European Regulations and Directives, implemented in national laws, decrees, policy plans and permits.

Our lawyers have extensive experience in this so-called 'layered' legislation. For years, they have been assisting multinationals, provinces, municipalities and leading companies in the waste, transport and construction sectors. This can be either as defence counsel in a criminal case, but also by auditing companies and advising them on their environmental policies, at a time when they have not yet been in trouble with the authorities and would like to keep it that way.

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