

Site scoring explained



Compliance with the Scheme's Site Code of Considerate Practice indicates that a site is achieving a standard beyond statutory requirements.

In each of the eight sections of the Code, it is possible to score between 1 and 5 points, with 3 indicating compliance. Half points may also be awarded in any of the sections.

Sites are not only assessed for compliance with the Scheme's Code, but also to identify any measures being taken by a site which are above and beyond these requirements. Where relevant and practical, the report may indicate where improvements can be made and these will be highlighted in **bold italics**.

How are the points assessed?

In any one section,

1	Major non-compliance
2	Minor non-compliance
3	Satisfactory compliance
4	Recognises measures taken in excess of compliance
5	Rewards exceptional and unique activities or initiatives

What do I have to do to score 5?

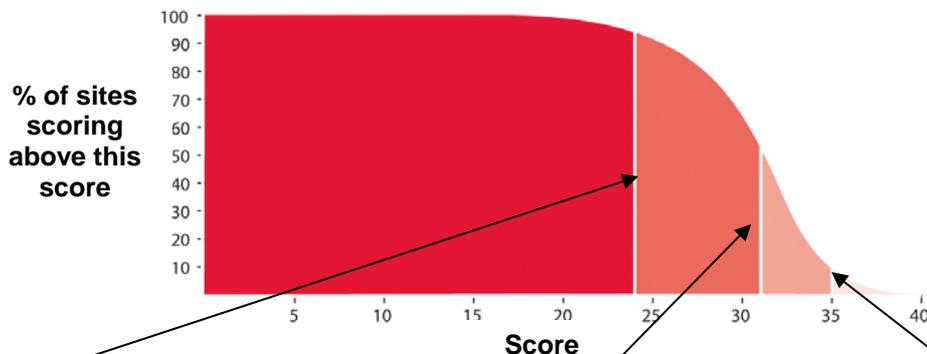
5 points are only awarded where a site is doing something both 'exceptional and unique', as well as working to a very high standard. A site that is doing everything to a very high standard will only warrant 4.5 and there is no specific measure which will automatically warrant a 5 in any particular section. Once a site has scored 5 in any category, performance must improve still further before a 5 can be awarded on any subsequent visits. Performing to the same standard will only achieve a 4.5.

Total Score Overview

0 - 15½	A site in major non-compliance with the Scheme's Code
16 - 23½	A site with major and minor non-compliances with the Code
24	Compliance with the Scheme's Code*
24½ - 30	A good site that is considerate*
30½ - 35½	A very good site*
36 - 40	An exceptionally good site*

*where a site has scored at least 3 points in each category

This graph shows the percentage of sites that achieve above specific scores.



24 points represents compliance with the Scheme's Code*

Around 31 points is the average score of all registered sites

The top scoring 10% of sites are reviewed for the Scheme's annual National Site Awards

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