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We define the key 'green' terms we use to describe our products and services to ensure our claims are clear, consistent, transparent, and compliant with the latest standards:

TERM	DEFINITION	EXAMPLE
A+ Energy Rated	Energy Performance Certificates rate the energy efficiency of a building, with an A+ being the most efficient and G being the least. An A+ rating demonstrates our commitment to ensuring our depots become more sustainable and energy efficient.	National Innovation Centre, Milton Keynes
Carbon Smart	Products that reduce carbon emissions when used with sustainable fuels and/or renewable energy sources.	Putting HVO into a generator instead of Diesel. Cordless products that you run off 100% renewable energy.
Circular Products	Products that are circular in one of the following ways: 1) They reduce the use of materials in production, 2) Their lifetime is extended through re-use and repair, 3) They are made from recovered materials or 4) They are part of a circular programme, such as recycling and remanufacturing schemes.	Product such as the Orange Reflective Q-Fence, Oxford Plastics Trench Covers and Hilti Products that Hilti take back and recycle.
Carbon Footprint	refers to the total amount of greenhouse gases (GHGs)—primarily carbon dioxide (CO ₂), but also methane (CH ₄), nitrous oxide (N ₂ O), and others—that are emitted directly or indirectly by human activities. It's usually measured in units of carbon dioxide equivalents (CO ₂ e)	In the context of Speedy Hire our corporate footprint of Speedy in FY2025 was 282,688.62 tonnes CO ₂ e. In terms of our products, the operational carbon footprint is the 'In use' emissions associated with fuel use, the embodied carbon footprint of our products are the emissions associated with the manufacturing of the products.
Climate Solutions	Climate solutions are strategies, technologies, and actions designed to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, adapt to climate change, and restore natural systems. These can include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Transitioning to renewable energy (e.g., solar, wind) ▪ Improving energy efficiency ▪ Electrifying transport ▪ Sustainable agriculture and forestry ▪ Carbon capture and storage ▪ Nature-based solutions like reforestation and wetland restoration The goal of climate solutions is to limit global warming and build resilience in communities and ecosystems.	Speedy hire used 94.1% renewable electricity across its depot network

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Cordless	Products that are powered by a battery, where the previous standard was corded	Milwaukee Red Lithium Battery. SkyJack Electric Scissor Lifts.
Decarbonise	To reduce or eliminate carbon dioxide (CO ₂) emissions from a process, system, or economy. It often refers to transitioning from fossil fuels to renewable energy sources in order to combat climate change.	Switching from a fossil fuel generator to a Battery Storage Unit.
Diesel HVO	<p>HVO is a transitional fuel made from waste vegetable oils and animal fats, refined through a process called hydrotreatment. It is a drop-in alternative to conventional diesel, meaning it can be used in existing diesel engines without modification.</p> <p>Key benefits of HVO include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Lower carbon emissions compared to fossil diesel ▪ Improved combustion and cleaner engine performance ▪ Reduced particulate and NOx emissions <p>HVO is increasingly used in transport, construction, and logistics as part of low-carbon fuel strategies.</p>	<p>Speedy Hire's delivery vehicle fleet which run on HVO fuel.</p> <p>Provision of Diesel HVO Fuel Solutions to our customers.</p>
ECO Approved Product	An ECO approved product is one that meets specific environmental standards or certifications, indicating it has a reduced impact on the environment comparable to the equivalent standard products. This could include energy efficiency, sustainable materials, low emissions, or recyclability.	Products that meet our Eco definitions, e.g. solar, energy saving, cordless etc.
Electric Vehicle	Is a vehicle powered entirely or partially by electricity, typically using batteries and electric motors instead of internal combustion engines. EVs produce zero tailpipe emissions and are considered more environmentally friendly than traditional petrol or diesel vehicles	We have the largest electric delivery fleet in the UK Hire sector.
Emissions Dust	Products that help reduce dust emissions	Dustcontrol Dust Extraction Unit. Generac Dust Suppression Unit.
Emissions Engine	Products that reduce engines exhaust emissions (NOx and SOx)	Stage V Generators.
Emissions Noise	Products that help reduce noise emissions	Cutting Enclosure. Sound Management Barriers.

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Energy Saving	Products that consume less energy than the equivalent standard product	VB9+ LED Lighting Tower Peco Lift Pusharound Platform
Going Greener Faster	A promising claim that articulates how Speedy can help its customers to go 'greener.'	Provision of the Eco Product range
Green Job	A green job is any employment that contributes to preserving or restoring the environment. These jobs help reduce the environmental impact of enterprises and economic sectors, ultimately supporting sustainable development	Head of Net Zero
Green Skills	Green skills are the knowledge, abilities, values, and attitudes needed to live in, develop, and support a sustainable and resource-efficient society. These skills enable individuals to work in ways that help reduce environmental impact and support the transition to a green economy	Our ISEP (formerly IEMA) accredited ESG Business Partner programme.
Hybrid	Products that have a dual power source which is typically batteries and engine driven generator to recharge the battery pack	VT Hybrid Lighting Tower. Hybrid Power Generator.
Hydrogen	Products that are powered by green hydrogen technologies	Ecolite-H2.
Low Carbon Delivery Fleet	Low carbon delivery vehicles are transport vehicles designed or modified to emit significantly less carbon dioxide than traditional diesel or petrol vehicles. This includes electric vans, hybrid trucks, and vehicles using alternative fuels like hydrogen or biofuels. A low carbon fleet refers to a group of vehicles operated by an organisation that collectively produce reduced greenhouse gas emissions. This can be achieved through electrification, fuel-efficient models, route optimisation, and driver training	Delivery vehicles fueled by HVO, instead of diesel. We have the largest electric delivery fleet in the UK Hire sector. Electra and Ford Low Carbon Delivery Vehicles.
Nature Positive	Nature positive is a concept that goes beyond minimising harm to actively restoring and enhancing nature. It involves actions that regenerate ecosystems, increase biodiversity, and ensure that human activities contribute positively to the natural world.	Milton Keynes wellbeing garden. Peat land restoration project. Our goal is to be Nature Positive by 2030.

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Net Zero Carbon	<p>Net zero carbon means that the total amount of carbon dioxide (CO₂) emissions produced by an individual, organisation, product, or activity is fully balanced by actions that remove or offset an equivalent amount of CO₂ from the atmosphere.</p> <p>This is achieved through a combination of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reducing emissions by 90% (e.g., using renewable energy, improving energy efficiency) Offsetting remaining emissions through carbon removal methods (e.g., tree planting, carbon capture technologies, or purchasing verified carbon credits) <p>The goal is to ensure that the net impact on the climate is zero, helping to combat global warming and support climate targets like those set in the Paris Agreement.</p>	We have committed to deliver Net Zero by 2040, ten years earlier than the government 2050 target.
Operational Efficiency	Products that require less resources to operate and transport than the equivalent standard equipment	<p>Mi-Tower Secure Access Tower.</p> <p>Oxford Plastics Trench Cover - https://www.speedyservices.com/news/reduce-co2e-with-lowpro-road-plates-from-oxford-plastics?srsltid=AfmBOoomHhRSwog6OEkvfTRg6l0Rdo5MgQdwvCWUiICOn_HkMfrej770</p>
Pollution	Products that prevent pollution by stopping spillage of oil and fuel	Green Rhino Enviropad (Registered symbol). Fuel Tanks.
Recycling	Recycling is the process of collecting, processing, and reusing materials that would otherwise be discarded as waste. It helps conserve natural resources, reduce landfill use, and lower greenhouse gas emissions. Common recyclable materials include paper, glass, metal, and certain plastics.	Waste segregation across our depot network and facilities, with different bins for different waste.
Renewable Electricity	Renewable electricity is electricity generated from sources that are naturally replenished and sustainable over time. These include solar, wind, hydro, geothermal, and biomass. Renewable electricity is key to reducing carbon emissions and transitioning to a low-carbon energy system.	<p>Solar PV panels installed on new properties e.g. Milton Keynes, Glasgow, Birmingham. We generate our own electricity via Solar PV at these locations.</p> <p>94.2% of our electricity is currently renewable, with our target to be 100% by 2027.</p>

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Scope 1 Emissions	Emissions associated with the burning of fuel within our commercial vehicles and company cars, along with any gas purchased within properties.	Reduce our Scope 1 and 2 emissions by 51.6% by 2030 (compared to 2020)
Scope 2 Emissions	Emissions we make indirectly from buying electricity to power our buildings	Reduce our Scope 1, 2 and 3 emissions by 90% by 2040 (compared to 2020)
Scope 3 Emissions	Emissions we're indirectly responsible for from the products we purchase from our suppliers and the way they are used by our customers	Reduce our total Scope 3 emissions by 42% by 2030 (compared to 2020)
Solar	Products that are powered and recharged by solar energy	Products such as the X-Solar Lighting Tower and Prolectric Pro Light. Solar PV at our depot locations.
Sustainability	Sustainability refers to the ability to meet the needs of the present without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs. It involves balancing environmental, social, and economic considerations to ensure long-term health and stability for people and the planet	Speedy Hire's 'Decade to Deliver' strategy.
Sustainability Compliance	Sustainability compliance refers to the practice of ensuring that an organisation's operations, products, and services adhere to environmental, social, and governance (ESG) laws, regulations, and standards. It is a critical component of corporate governance and risk management	Speedy Hire's "Decade to Deliver" Strategy is a comprehensive sustainability framework that demonstrates sustainable compliance through: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ ESG Governance & Reporting ▪ Sustainable Hire Practices ▪ Certifications and Standards ▪ Training and Engagement ▪ Circular Economy and Waste Reduction
Sustainability Governance	Sustainability governance refers to the systems, structures, and processes that organisations use to manage their environmental, social, and economic impacts responsibly and ethically, while ensuring long-term value creation and compliance with relevant laws and standards	Speedy Hire has within its Decade to Deliver "Being Brilliant at the Basics" which outlines our approach to Sustainable Governance and what this includes.

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Sustainable Hire	<p>Sustainable hire refers to the temporary use (rental) of equipment, vehicles, or services that are designed or selected to minimize environmental impact. This can include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Low-emission or electric machinery ▪ Solar-powered equipment ▪ Reusable or recyclable materials ▪ Efficient logistics and operations <p>The goal is to support short-term needs (e.g., construction, events, transport) while aligning with sustainability principles such as reducing carbon footprint, conserving resources, and promoting circular economy practices</p>	<u>Our Eco roadmap sets out our plan</u>

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