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Getting Started on Net Zero and the Net Zero Accelerator

Steps to Net Zero for Business

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Outline

- Introduction: SE Net Zero and Sustainability Team
- Net Zero basics – how to get started
- SE Net Zero Accelerator
- Support

Scottish Enterprise & Net Zero

SE Net Zero Framework for Action 2022-23

- SE to be Net Zero by 2040
- 70% reduction in Scopes 1 & 2 emissions by 2025 against 2015-16 baseline
- Support businesses to innovate and reduce emissions
- Safeguard Scotland's natural capital
- Net Zero commitment as a condition support



Why Net Zero?



Compliance and governance



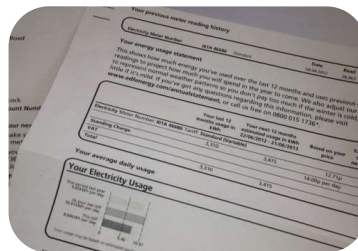
Customer demand and new opportunities



Funding and Investment



Reputation and marketing



Reduced overheads



ESG

The Journey to Net Zero – where to start

Understand carbon emissions: Scopes 1, 2, and 3

Collect data

Measure carbon footprint (& choose baseline year)

Identify carbon hotspots

Develop plan

Implement actions

Monitor and report



Net Zero action plan

Identify carbon hotspots

Set targets – short, medium, long term

Realistic targets, based on current knowledge and data

Dynamic document – update based on new info and data.

Reporting and standards

Science based targets to meet 1.5° C target?



Getting Started: SE's Net Zero Accelerator

Developed to help businesses at all stages progress towards net zero.

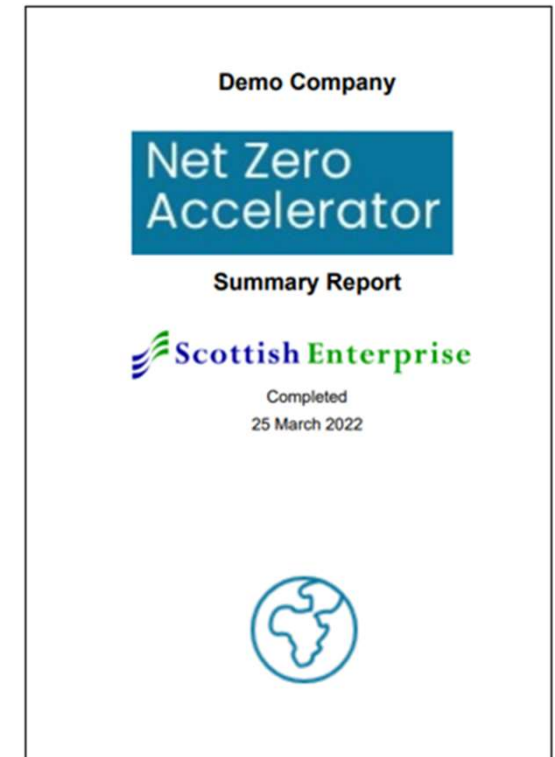
25 self-assessment questions across 5 key business areas:

Generates net zero score across these five areas.

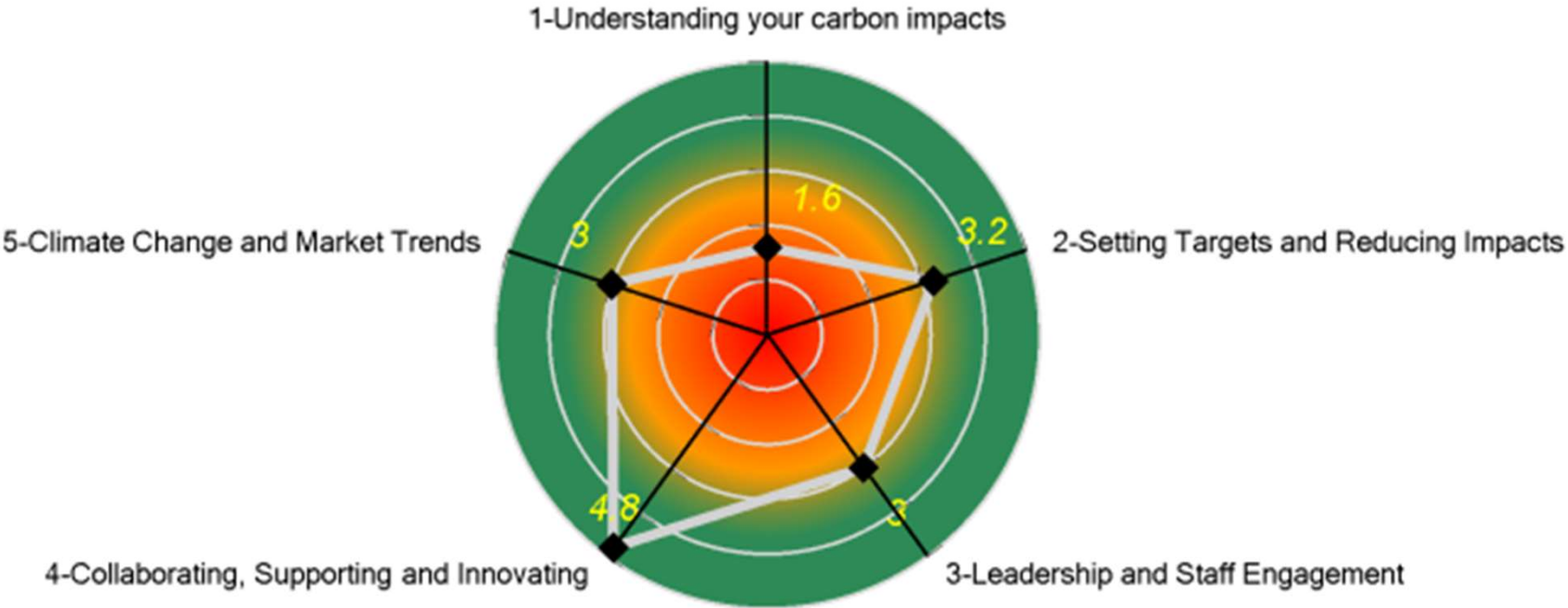
Provides action report detailing appropriate next steps based on the answers provided.

Takes about 30 minutes to complete.

Can complete over multiple sessions, or over time to show progress toward net zero.



Net Zero Accelerator Assessment Tool Results



Support

Scottish Enterprise – online guides and sustainability specialists

Business Energy Scotland – energy surveys, advice, funding

Zero Waste Scotland – Circular Economy Support

Universities – wide range of initiatives, expertise and support

Local Authorities & Business Gateway

[Find business support in Scotland - Find Business Support](#)

Support – some free online carbon tools

[UK - SME Climate Hub](#)

[Home - SBCC](#)

Scottish Business Climate Collaboration

[Business Carbon Planner | Royal Bank of Scotland
\(rbs.co.uk\)](#)

[Sustainability support for your business - Scottish Enterprise \(scottish-enterprise.com\)](https://www.scottish-enterprise.com)