# The Rules of Performance Measurement

#### Measure what's relevant.

You cannot tell people to do their best and then hope their best is good enough. You, and they, have to know how they're doing and where they – and the business – can improve.

### Post Results.

Be fair and factual in your measurements but, once you know how they're doing, post the results and share the information. People are naturally competitive, want to do a good job, and like to know how they're doing.

# Keep raising the level of acceptable performance.

Once your goals have been achieved you have to keep raising your sights. Unless you are consistently getting better, somebody else will pass you by.

## Limit your goals.

If you give people too many things to concentrate on, they won't be able to concentrate on anything. Set no more than five goals – one may be all you need.