New & Historic Business to Business WEEE Guidance Notes

Ensure Your Compliance

The UK Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment (WEEE) Regulations are one of a series of 'producer responsibility' regulations, which makes producers financially responsibly for the recycling and recovery of their products at end of life.

Provisions for new and historic WEEE applies only to WEEE intended for uses other than private households - Business to Business (B2B).

Producers of B2B EEE shall finance the cost of the collection, treatment, recovery and environmentally sound disposal of:

- new WEEE (displaying 'the crossed out wheeled bin symbol') they placed onto the market after 13 August 2005
- historic WEEE (not displaying 'the crossed out wheeled bin symbol') placed onto the market after 13 August 2005

Producers may conclude agreements with their customers to make alternative commercial arrangements to finance the cost of collection, treatment and environmentally sound disposal of WEEE.

Historic WEEE

Historic WEEE is EEE placed onto the market before 13th August 2005 not displaying 'the crossed out wheeled bin symbol'.

Historic WEEE that is not replaced must be treated, recycled and disposed of in an environmentally sound manner by the business end user. The Duty of Care should be followed to ensure correct disposal.

The producer of new EEE replacing historic WEEE has the obligation to finance the costs of collection, treatment, recycling and environmentally sound disposal on a one–for-one and like-for-like basis, providing it fulfils the same function, and unless alternative commercial arrangements are in place.

New WEEE

New WEEE is EEE placed onto the market after 13 August 2005 displaying 'the crossed out wheeled bin symbol'.

The producer of new WEEE has the obligation to finance the costs of collection, treatment, recycling and environmentally sound disposal of their products at end of life unless alternative commercial arrangements are in place.

For further information regarding you WEEE data submission please contact a technical advisor on **08450 682 572** or by email at **info@valpak.co.uk**

Did You Know...

Valpak operate the WEEE Distributor Take back Scheme on behalf of the British Retail Consortium (BRC) and the Government?

Your business could be affected by other producer responsibility legislation such as Packaging or Batteries regulations

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