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DO YOU PRODUCE WASTE OILS?



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The Rules on Waste Oil & Oil-Contaminants

Under the [Waste and Contaminated Land Order \(Northern Ireland\) 1997](#) there is a Duty of Care for the producer of commercial waste to make sure they dispose of their waste in a manner that complies with legal requirements.

You must send your waste to a properly Licensed or Permitted facility AND have it carried to that facility by a Registered waste carrier. You are required, by this Duty of Care, to ensure that your waste Carrier is Registered and ask him to provide details for where the waste will be taken to.

You may ask your waste carrier for a copy of their Registration of Carriers licence; and the waste disposal facility for a copy of their Waste Management Licence or Pollution Prevention and Control Permit. You can, also, obtain these details from the Northern Ireland Environment Agency, free of charge.

The NIEA is the Regulatory Authority that issues licences/permits to Carriers of waste and Waste Treatment Facilities in Northern Ireland.

What you must do

When you give the waste Carrier your waste you MUST sign the Consignment Note as MUST the Carrier, before the waste leaves your premises. You MUST inspect the Consignment Note to find out where he intends to take your waste and to ensure that the description of your waste is correct. You MUST keep a copy of this Consignment Note for 3 years.

The NIEA has responsibility, under the Hazardous Waste Regulations (NI) 2005, to carry out periodic inspections of waste producers premises and their records, including Consignment Notes, and does this on a frequent and regular basis.

Disposal Route

Waste oil and oil-contaminants (such as oil-filters, oily rags, oil-spillage absorbents, etc.) are classified as Hazardous Waste. They can only be treated at facilities that have either a Waste Management Licence or a Pollution Prevention and Control Permit that has been granted by the NIEA.

Hazardous Waste must travel on the highway along with a Hazardous Waste Consignment Note. This a legally required document for ALL Hazardous Waste. It MUST have a unique code that has been supplied by the NIEA. This a 7-digit number, normally prefixed by 'DA'.

Following recent changes to legislation, burning of waste oil in a 'Small Waste Oil Burner' or SWOB requires a 'Part A' permit. A SWOB could only be permitted if it met the requirements of the Waste Incineration Directive (WID). In practice this will not be economically viable in most cases and anyone operating a SWOB will either need to cease using it or switch fuel from waste oil to an alternative fuel which does not require a permit. This could be 'virgin' fuel oil or processed fuel oil which complies with the Agency's quality protocol. Further information can be found at: www.doeni.gov.uk/niea/pfo_position_statement.pdf

Failure by YOU to comply with any of these requirements may result in prosecution.