

Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment Directive

The Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment (WEEE) Regulations have been introduced by the government in order to reduce the amount of electrical items going to landfill and encourage recycling and re-use of these products using the best available means. Any residual WEEE should be disposed of in an environmentally sound manner.

Electrical goods are the fastest growing waste stream in the UK, growing by 5% each year. Each year in the UK we go through over 1.2 million tonnes of electrical waste.

Over 75% of waste electrical goods end up in landfill, where lead and other toxins contained in these items can cause soil and water contamination which, in turn, can have a very harmful effect on the environment and human health.

Many of the electrical items that we throw away can be repaired or recycled. Recycling items helps to save natural finite resources and also reduces the environmental and health risks associated with sending waste electrical goods to landfill.

In order to protect the environment for future generations it is important that we are all aware of the consequences of our actions and learn what we can do to make a difference.

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Electrical and Electronic Equipment that was made after June 2006 should display this symbol on the packaging or product. It means that the product is covered by the WEEE Regulations and every effort should be made to recycle it.

Distributor Take Back Scheme

We fully support this regulation and are fulfilling our distributor obligations as a member of the WEEE Distributor Take Back (DTS) Scheme.

The DTS is designed to fulfill the obligations of distributors without the need to offer free in store take back. The DTS supports a national network of collection facilities where consumers can dispose of their household WEEE free of charge for environmentally sound treatment and recycling.

Recycle your old electricals

Please ensure that your old Waste Electricals and Electronics are recycled in accordance with the regulations. Please do not throw them away with your domestic rubbish as they will not be recycled.

Log onto <http://www.recycle-more.co.uk/banklocator/banklocator.aspx>. Unselect 'ALL' then click on 'Display Equipment (TV's and monitors), enter your postcode and click on 'Search'. The map that appears will show you the sites you can take your old equipment free of charge.