



The Waste (England & Wales) Regulations 2011

Introduction / Guidance

A new piece of legislation has been implemented that changes some requirements of Waste Management in the future. This guidance has been compiled to simplify and raise awareness of the forthcoming changes. Please note this is related to England and Wales only.

What is the new Legislation?

The Waste (England and Wales) Regulations 2011

When do the changes happen?

The most imminent changes (including those to duty of care waste transfer notes) have to be complied with from 28th September 2011.

There are two main changes you need to be aware of: -

All waste transfer notes must have two new items included on them: -

- 1 The SIC (Standard Industrial Classification) code of the Company producing / transferring the waste. All businesses have one of these codes assigned to them by type of business activity – it is simply a case of identifying the SIC Code for your type of business from the 2007 SIC listings from the web link we have provided below. Once you have given us this code there is no need to supply it to us again (unless your business type changes) because we will print this onto the Waste Transfer Note in subsequent years to come. If you are unable to find your SIC code then there are many other web links via Google, or you can contact us for further assistance.
- 2 A statement that the Company producing / transferring the waste has applied the Waste Management Hierarchy, we will automatically apply this to your forthcoming 2012 Annual Waste Transfer Note, and it will simply be a case of ticking a box to confirm same. Most businesses / Waste Producers already apply the waste Management Hierarchy within their Company, indeed it is most likely that ISM already apply the Waste Management Hierarchy on your behalf and your compliance will be met because your waste is “pre-treated and handled” via our purpose built Materials Recycling Facility (MRF) at Ramsbottom, because we don’t simply landfill waste which is the primary objective of this new requirement. If however, you think your business does not comply with any of the requirements listed below then please contact to discuss how we can help you further. Alternatively you can contact us via our website www.ismwaste.co.uk and also learn more about our Company’s commitment to recycling and how we can assist you.

What’s the Waste Management Hierarchy?

You should consider the following options for waste management in order

- 1 Prevention
- 2 Preparing for Reuse
- 3 Recycling
- 4 Recovery e.g. energy recovery
- 5 Disposal



SIC codes – What are they?

Standard Industrial Classification codes have been around for a long time but have only been required until now on hazardous waste consignment notes. They classify companies by their business activity and hence this is not specific to the waste industry. This requirement now extends itself to non-hazardous waste; hence it has become a requirement to include this information on your Duty of Care & Waste Transfer Note.

Note: - There are two groups of SIC codes – 2003 listings & 2007 listings, looking to the future, it is likely the 2003 will be dropped in favour of the 2007 listings however for now it is most important that you provide us with your SIC code from the 2007 listings, the easiest way to provide us with this code is to email it to reception@ismwaste.co.uk. Alternatively you can telephone us with this information at 01706 823001 / 824344

A list of the 2007 SIC codes (for non-hazardous waste transfer notes) can be found at: -

<http://www.ons.gov.uk/ons/guide-method/classifications/current-standard-classifications/standard-industrial-classification/index.html>

Finally, please remember this is a legal requirement, and the Environment Agency can take legal action or impose fixed penalty fines for non-compliance, it is therefore imperative that you supply us with this information by return.

We trust you find these guidance notes helpful, but if you should require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact us on the aforementioned telephone numbers.