

Environmental Permitting Regulations 2010

Simple waste registrations (Exemptions)

Simple waste registrations or exemptions are lower risk activities under the Environmental Permitting Regulations 2010 regulated by the Environment Agency that do not need an environmental permit.

Registering an activity

Each exemption has specific limits and conditions that you need to operate within. You must register an exemption with the Environment Agency. If you don't, you will not be exempt from needing a permit. Each exemption lasts 3 years. The exemption will then expire unless the activities you want to continue to use are re-registered,

Registering an exemption does not remove the need to apply for other permits or permissions. For example, you may need planning permission for a waste operation, or a water discharge permit.

What activities are included?

There are four categories of exemptions for certain types of waste activities; disposal, use, storage and treatment.

Disposal

[Waste exemption: D1 depositing waste from dredging inland waters](#)

[Waste exemption: D2 depositing waste from a railway sanitary convenience](#)

[Waste exemption: D3 depositing waste from a portable sanitary convenience](#)

[Waste exemption: D4 depositing agricultural waste consisting of plant tissue under a Plant Health Notice](#)

[Waste exemption: D5 depositing waste samples for testing or analysis](#)

[Waste exemption: D6 disposal by incineration](#)

[Waste exemption: D7 burning waste in the open](#)

[Waste exemption: D8 burning waste at a port under a Plant Health Notice](#)

Use

[Waste exemption: U1 use of waste in construction](#)

[Waste exemption: U2 use of baled end-of-life tyres in construction](#)

[Waste exemption: U3 construction of entertainment or educational installations](#)

[Waste exemption: U4 burning of waste as a fuel in a small appliance](#)

[Waste exemption: U5 using biodiesel produced from waste as fuel](#)

[Waste exemption: U6 using sludge to re-seed a waste water treatment plant](#)

[Waste exemption: U7 using effluent to clean a highway gravel bed](#)

[Waste exemption: U8 using waste for a specified purpose](#)

[Waste exemption: U9 using waste to manufacture finished goods](#)

[Waste exemption: U10 spreading waste to benefit agricultural land](#)

[Waste exemption: U11 spreading waste to benefit non-agricultural land](#)

[Waste exemption: U12 using mulch](#)

[Waste exemption: U13 spreading plant matter to provide benefits](#)

[Waste exemption: U14 incorporating ash into soil](#)

[Waste exemption: U15 pig and poultry ash](#)

[Waste exemption: U16 using depolluted end-of-life vehicles for parts](#)

Storage

[Waste exemption: S1 storing waste in secure containers](#)

[Waste exemption: S2 storing waste in a secure place](#)

[Waste exemption: S3 storing sludge](#)

There are some exemptions which don't need to be registered. These are called non waste framework directive (NWFD) exemptions.

[Waste exemption: NWFD 2 temporary storage at the place of production](#)

[Waste exemption: NWFD 3 temporary storage of waste at a place controlled by the producer](#)

[Waste exemption: NWFD 4 temporary storage at a collection point](#)

Treatment

There are 3 waste treatment exemptions that you need to register with other authorities and not the Environment Agency. These are:

T3 – treatment of waste metals and metal alloys by heating for the purposes of removing grease

T7 – treatment of waste bricks, tiles and concrete by crushing, grinding or reducing in size

T22 – treatment of animal by-product waste at a collection centre

You register T3 and T7 with the local authority where you have your principle place of business. If this is outside England and Wales, it should be with the local authority where the operation will be carried out.

You register T22 with the authority responsible for granting an authorisation under the Animal By-products Regulations.

A full description of T3, T7 and T22 can be found at [Environmental Permitting \(England and Wales\) Regulations 2010](#)

[Waste exemption: T1 cleaning, washing, spraying or coating relevant waste](#)

[Waste exemption: T2 recovering textiles](#)

[Waste exemption: T4 preparatory treatments, such as, baling, sorting, shredding](#)

[Waste exemption: T5 screening and blending waste](#)

[Waste exemption: T6 treating waste wood and waste plant matter by chipping, shredding, cutting or pulverising](#)

[Waste exemption: T8 mechanically treating end-of-life tyres](#)

[Waste exemption: T9 recovering scrap metal](#)

[Waste exemption: T10 sorting mixed waste](#)

[Waste exemption: T11 repairing or refurbishing waste electrical and electronic equipment \(WEEE\)](#)

[Waste exemption: T12 manually treating waste](#)

[Waste exemption: T13 treating waste food](#)

[Waste exemption: T14 crushing and emptying vehicle waste oil filters](#)

[Waste exemption: T15 treating waste aerosol cans](#)

[Waste exemption: T16 treating waste toner and ink cartridges](#)

[Waste exemption: T17 crushing waste fluorescent tubes](#)

[Waste exemption: T18 using flocculants to remove water from waste](#)

[Waste exemption: T19 physical and chemical treatment of waste edible oil and fat to produce biodiesel](#)

[Waste exemption: T20 treating waste at a water treatment works](#)

[Waste exemption: T21 recover waste at a waste water treatment works](#)

[Waste exemption: T23 aerobic composting and associated prior treatment](#)

[Waste exemption: T24 anaerobic digestion at premises used for agriculture and burning resulting biogas](#)

[Waste exemption: T25 anaerobic digestion at premises not used for agriculture and burning resulting biogas](#)

[Waste exemption: T26 treatment of kitchen waste in a wormery](#)

[Waste exemption: T27 treatment of sheep dip using organophosphate-degrading enzyme](#)

[Waste exemption: T28 sort and denature controlled drugs for disposal](#)

[Waste exemption: T29 treatment of non-hazardous pesticide washings by carbon filtration for disposal](#)

[Waste exemption: T30 recover silver](#)

[Waste exemption: T31 recover monopropylene glycol from aircraft antifreeze fluids](#)

[Waste exemption: T32 treatment of waste in a biobed or biofilter](#)

[Waste exemption: T33 recover central heating oil by filtration](#)

How is the dataset produced?

We have managed this dataset since April 2010. In 2016 we introduced a [new registration system](#). This dataset contains information from our older system and the new one. The systems collect data in different ways so we have provided all the data fields from both systems in this dataset. This means there may be gaps in information depending on how old the record is.

How often will this dataset be published?

We will publish and update this dataset every quarter.

Exemptions are updated every day, this is an extract taken at the end of a quarter. If you need more current information please contact us.

The data

The dataset contains the following fields in an excel spreadsheet:

- Registration date
- Exemption reference
- Activity sub type e.g. on a farm, non-agricultural activity
- Activity type e.g. T1, U3
- Operator
- Site address and postcode
- Telephone number
- Grid reference
- Environment Agency area
- Local authority/district

Also provided is a summary table of the number of activities by activity type.

Use of the data

This data is provided under a [conditional](#) licence.

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