

Waste leaflet: Hazardous waste

If your business produces Hazardous waste it is your LEGAL requirement to manage its correct disposal and to ensure that anyone you pass your waste on to is licensed to handle the waste.

Waste categories

Animal by-products (ABP)

- Special regulations apply for raw fish and meat disposal.
- APB should be collected by verified collectors and can be recycled for biogas.
- Contact the **Department for Environment Food and Rural Affairs (DEFRA)** to get the latest regulations and a list of approved ABP collectors.
- For more information on disposal and collection of ABP see **Waste leaflet: Food sector** from **CRISP**.
- You can also contact **Southwark Council Business Centre** for advice and requirements if you deal with raw fish and meat.

Batteries

- It is illegal to dump batteries in landfill. They should be collected for recycling by specialised collectors/recyclers such as **Envirogreen**. Some manufacturers also operate a take-back scheme for recycling or reprocessing.
- Car batteries and other batteries can be also be disposed at the local recycling centre at **Manor Place Depot**, but a fee applies for local businesses depending on the amount to be recycled.
- More information can be found through the **British Battery Manufacturers Association (BBMA)**.

Cartridges

- Inkjet cartridges can be refilled. Contact your local **Cartridge World** in Vauxhall to refill empty cartridges.
- Toner cartridges cannot be refilled, but their parts can be used for remanufacturing.
- Some specific types of cartridge can be donated to charity or could be sent to **Inkcycle**.

Fluorescent tubes

- Putting fluorescent tubes into landfill is no longer an option.
- Fluorescent tubes and other bulbs can be collected for recycling from companies such as **Recyclelite**, or can be taken to the local recycling centre in **Manor Place Depot** where a fee applies for businesses.

Engine oil

- Can be refined for reuse and should not be mixed with other solvents.
- Contact **Oilbank** to find your nearest oil bank or contact a hazardous waste service, such as **Envirogreen**, for collection and recycling options.

TV/computer monitors

- These products are banned from landfill.
- TV and computer monitors can be recycled and reused after removing hazardous substances. Contact **OFFERS/Ex-IT** to arrange for collection.
- Refer to the **Waste leaflet: Electronic sector** from **CRISP** for more information on other electrical equipment.

Clinical waste (human or animal tissue, blood or bodily fluids excretions, drugs or other pharmaceutical products, swabs or dressings, and syringes, needles or other sharp instruments)

- Waste of this type should be collected by specialised collectors and should be placed in specially designed leak-proof bags that should meet certain requirements.
- Sharp items and syringes should be placed in sharp container boxes.
- Unwanted or expired medication should be collected separately and taken to a government-registered incinerator.
- More information can be found from the **Environment Agency**.

Chemicals (acids, alkaline, solvents, solutes, pesticides and insecticides, paints and other toxic liquids)

- Chemicals should be clearly labelled and stored in closed containers.
- They should be stored separately from other waste.
- Contact a waste service such as **Envirogreen** for the collection of chemicals.



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Green ideas

- Contact the **Environment Agency** to register your business as a producer of hazardous waste and to find more information on registered waste handlers.
- Use rechargeable batteries.
- Refill ink cartridges – either set up a DIY procedure or use suppliers that will have a take-back scheme in place, such as EPSON or HP.
- Use a cartridge supplier that will collect and recycle empty cartridges, such as **Cartridge World**.
- Choose a waste-management company that will deal with a variety of hazardous waste collections to avoid multiple dealers and minimise cost.
- Contact **BASE team** to get a free sustainability guide with tips and information on how to make your work place more GREEN and save money.

Contacts

Environmental Agency

T: 0870 850 6506

www.environment-agency.gov.uk

Southwark Business Centre

T: 020 7525 2000

www.southwark.gov.uk

BBMA

T: 020 7826 2690

www.bbma.co.uk

Envirogreen

T: 0845 712 5398

www.envirogreen.co.uk

Manor Place depot

Penrose Street
London SE17 3DW
(off the Walworth Road)

DEFRA

T: 0845 933 5577

www.defra.gov.uk

Oilbank

T: 0870 850 6506

www.oilbankline.org.uk

Cartridges4Charity

www.cartridges4charity.co.uk

Inkcycle

T: 0800 652 7085

www.inkcycle.co.uk

Cartridge World (local distributor and collector)

T: 020 7582 8605

www.cartridgeworld.org

OFFERS/Ex-IT

T: 020 7703 5222

www.crispej.org.uk

Recyclite Limited

T: 0800 358 5440

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