

Waste leaflet: Vehicle repair sector

Waste Categories

1. Hazardous Waste

As most of the waste produced from this industry is categorised, as Hazardous Waste under the duty of care legislation, all businesses have the obligations to dispose of their waste in a responsible way.

Waste oil

- This can be refined for reuse but should not be mixed with other solvents.
- Contact **Oilbankline** to find your nearest oil bank, or contact a hazardous waste disposal service for collection and recycling options.

Oil filters

- These should be pressed to remove excess oil. The solid remainder should be compressed and sent for reprocessing (classified as special waste).

Anti-freeze liquid

- The dumping of anti-freeze is illegal. Most anti-freeze contains 95% ethylene glycol.
- Anti-freeze can be recycled in an on-site unit or a mobile unit. Contact **Envirowise** for free business advice information.

Car batteries

- These should be collected for recycling. Contact **Envirogreen** for more information on collection services. A separate collection may be required for certain batteries.

2. Other Waste Tyres

- Tyres can no longer be sent to landfill for disposal. Check **Letsrecycle** for tyre recyclers in the UK.

Scrap metal

- This can be recycled or distributed for reuse. Check **Waste Online** for more information and a list of metal recyclers.

End-of-Life Vehicles (ELV)

- Since January 2007 producers of car parts are obligated to take back car parts for free from their owners at the end of their life.
- More information regarding the ELV directive can be found through the **Department for Environment Food and Rural Affairs (DEFRA)**.

Paint aerosols

- Emptied and flattened aerosol cans can be recycled with other ferrous metals.
- Solvents with a flash point above 60°C (140°F) are non-hazardous and can be recycled. Contact your scrap dealer or **Envirogreen** for the collection of paints, solvents and aerosols.

Cardboard from parts packaging

- Broken-down cardboard can be collected by **Southwark Commercial Waste**.



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Green Ideas

- Waste containers with hazardous waste should be clearly marked and labelled for 'waste collection' should not be mixed with normal trade waste for collection.
- Choose a waste-management company that will collect most of your hazardous waste to avoid multiple dealers (i.e. **OSS Group**).
- Reuse part-worn tyres, and choose a tyre supplier that will collect used tyres for reusing or recycling.
- Use a retread tyre manufacturer. For more information and suppliers contact the **Retread Manufacturers Association (RMA)**.
- Contact retreading companies such as **C-Tyres**.
- Contact the **BASE team** to get a free Sustainability guide containing tips and information on how to make your workplace more GREEN and how to save money.

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Letsrecycle

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Southwark Commercial Waste

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