

# WEEE Insight

The Essential Guide to WEEE Compliance  
for Small Producers



## WEEE Regulations

The Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment (WEEE) Directive was first incorporated into UK Law as the WEEE Regulations in January 2007. The regulations were recast in 2013 and brought some minor updates to the Directive which will be introduced in the UK on various dates between 2014 and 2019. The WEEE Regulations place responsibilities on Producers (Manufacturers, Importers or Re-branders) of Electrical and Electronic Equipment (EEE) that is placed on the UK market. Producers who place more than 5 tonnes of EEE on to the UK market each year are required by law to register with a Producer Compliance Scheme (PCS).

## Small Producer Registration

Since January 2014, Producers placing less than 5 tonnes of EEE on to the UK market have two registration options:

- Register directly with the Environment Agency
- Register with a PCS who will administrate your registration and ensure you fulfil your obligations under the UK WEEE Regulations

If you exceed 5 tonnes of EEE placed on the market, you must register with a PCS within 28 days.

## How do I select an appropriate PCS?

Finding a suitable Producer Compliance Scheme can be confusing, especially if you are a producer of both Business to Consumer (B2C) and Business to Business (B2B) EEE. There are varied membership offers available across the UK but by understanding some of the basic requirements, becoming compliant is a fairly simple process. There are PCSs that are specific to B2B and B2C and there are those that do both. The golden rule when deciding on the appropriate PCS for you is to do comparisons and ensure when you do them that you are comparing "Apples with Apples". Cheap initial offers may seem good but it's the costs that are not declared that you need to be wary of.

## Don't be fooled by statements such as:

- We are the preferred PCS for your particular sector"
- We have the cheapest membership fees"
- We are the largest compliance scheme"
- We are a not for profit organisation"
- WEEE Compliance for £3 per tonne",etc.

## The Essential Guide to Producers of B2C, B2B & Both

When registering as a Producer you will be required to pay an Environment Agency fee which is standard across all PCS's. Membership fees and other charges however are not, and we believe that by asking the following relevant questions you will be able to make the best decision on which PCS is right for you.

1. Based on the quantities of EEE I place on the UK market would it be cost effective to run my own compliance scheme?
2. What is the cost of membership and:
  - What do I get for that?
  - Are there any additional charges to pay?
  - Do you have an online service for quarterly submissions?
3. What are the costs associated with collecting B2B WEEE from my location and do I pay in advance?

Asking these questions and understanding the answers provided will ensure you do not pay more than you need to. As a Producer you have to be registered, just make sure if you choose to join a PCS, you get cost effective compliance.



## Small Producer Registration with WEEE Light

This registration option is tailor made for those placing less than 5 tonnes of EEE on the market. For a fixed annual fee you will benefit from the expertise and support of a compliance scheme to ensure you meet your obligations under the UK WEEE Directive 2013.

## What Do I Get For My Membership Fee?

- Comprehensive Toolkit containing Registration certificates and enabling compliance with:
  - EN 50419 [2006]
  - Hazardous Waste Regulations
  - Waste Exemptions where appropriate
  - Regulation 12.2
- Online Homepage enabling:
  - Quarterly EA Submissions
  - Mandatory Information changes
  - WEEE Collection Request
  - Company Compliance Status Report
- Annual WEEE Audit [free of charge]
- EEE and WEEE Helpline with true experts

## Request your B2B/B2C WEEE Compliance Quote for Comparison

### Three ways to request your quote:

1. Call 0191 901 0530 and have ready the information requested in the form below
2. Email [returns@avcweeeco.com](mailto:returns@avcweeeco.com)
3. Complete the form below and post to **AVC Weeeco, C/O Biz Hub Bonasystems, Belasis Hall Technology Park, Coxwold Way, Billingham, Teesside, TS23 4EA**

Questions	Answers
1. Company Name	
2. WEEE Registration Number	WEE/
3. Annual Company Turnover	£
4. Short Description of Business and Products	

5. Contact Name	
6. Contact Position	
7. Contact Telephone	
8. Contact Email	
9. Company Registration No./Partnership Names	

10. EEE placed on the UK market in the previous compliance year		
Category	B2B (KG)	B2C (KG)

On receipt of the above information, AVC Weeeco will send you a no obligation quote for the next rel-evant compliance period, or for immediate registration if required.



Producer Compliance Schemes



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