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# Waste Pre-Treatment Regulations

The pre-treatment regulations were drafted to reduce the amount of waste being disposed in landfill sites, and to increase the amount of waste being recycled and reused. This in turn will help protect the environment by reducing harmful landfills and reducing energy from manufacturing virgin products. The regulations state that all waste produced by your company must be pre-treated before it is transported to landfill. Failure to do so can result in fines and / or prison sentences, depending on the severity.

## What is treatment of waste?

Waste treatment is when the characteristics of waste are changed by physical, thermal, chemical or biological processes. This can include: -

- Reducing the volume of waste,
- Changing hazardous waste into non-hazardous waste,
- Changing waste to make handling or recovery easier.

Note that compacting waste is not considered a method of treatment, as the waste will potentially cause the same health and environmental impact as the same uncompacted waste.

## How can waste be treated?

Waste treatment can be carried out by the waste producer as well as any waste transfer stations where your waste is carried to. Some methods of waste treatment are relatively simple, such as segregating general waste into different recyclable streams. Others will require more complicated procedures that are best left to specialist waste management companies, such as treating hazardous wastes.

It is essential to check whether the destination waste treatment plant is licensed to treat your waste. For example, a company licensed to treat general waste does not necessarily mean that they are licensed to treat your hazardous waste too.

**Network Waste Solutions** offer a wide range of services and solutions to ensure that your company complies with pre-treatment regulations. This begins with a free site audit, which allows us to view your waste production sites, recommending and implementing more efficient ways of segregating, reusing and reducing waste. Network Waste utilises its large network of suitably licensed waste carriers and transfer stations to ensure that your waste is recycled as much as possible, ensuring that your company is meeting pre-treatment regulations and shaving costs from the ever-increasing landfill tax.

**For more information regarding Network Waste Solutions and compliance of Pre-Treatment regulations, please call us on 0845 450 8202.**

## About Network Waste Solutions

Network Waste Solutions is a national waste management company, offering waste services for a wide range of business needs. Services range from wheelie bin and skip collections, to recycling and hazardous waste disposals. We also offer waste reduction and minimisation through site consultancies, an extensive range of national hire services, and provide online waste management statistics through our T.I.M. Online system.

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