



Department
for Environment
Food & Rural Affairs



Llywodraeth Cymru
Welsh Government

14th December 2015

Dear Consultee,

Consultation on rules for mobile crushing of lamps that contain mercury

1. Defra and the Welsh Government have published a consultation on the rules for mobile crushing of lamps that contain mercury.
2. Currently the T17 waste exemption provides for the treatment of lamps by crushing for the purpose of volume reduction.
3. The purpose of this consultation is to seek your views and comments on options for the regulation of mobile lamp crushing, including replacing the T17 exemption with the requirement for an environmental permit.
4. This is to ensure that the regulatory requirements and levels of compliance checking for mobile lamp crushing are sufficient for human health and environmental protection, provide a level playing field for businesses involved in lamp recycling and are in line with and provide legal clarity on minimum European requirements.
5. Please send your responses to this consultation at:
<https://consult.defra.gov.uk/waste/rules-for-mobile-crushing-of-lamps>
6. Responses should be received by **Monday 8 February 2016**.

Consultation Principles

7. This consultation is in line with the Consultations Principles found at:
<http://www.cabinetoffice.gov.uk/resource-library/consultation-principles-guidance>

Confidentiality

8. When this consultation ends, we will hold copies of the responses here in Defra and they will be made available on request. Members of the public may ask for a copy of responses under freedom of information legislation.
9. If you do not want your response - including your name, contact details and any other personal information - to be publicly available, please say so clearly in writing when you send your response to the consultation. Please note, if your computer automatically includes a confidentiality disclaimer, that won't count as a confidentiality request.
10. Please explain why you need to keep details confidential. We will take your reasons into account if someone asks for this information under freedom of information legislation. But, because of the law, we cannot promise that we will always be able to keep those details confidential.
11. We will summarise all responses and place this summary on our website at www.gov.uk/defra. This summary will include a list of names of organisations that responded but not people's personal names, addresses or other contact details.

Comments and Complaints

12. To submit any comments or complaints about the consultation process, please contact:

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or email: consultation.coordinator@defra.gsi.gov.uk

13. Thank you for your help in this matter. If you have any queries, please contact us on exemptions@DEFRA.GSI.GOV.UK

Yours faithfully

Waste Regulation and Crime Team
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