

# [Guidance: Animal by-product operating plants: approved premises](#)

*Updated:* Approved animal by-product plants in Great Britain updated

Premises in Great Britain and the Channel Islands must be approved by the Animal and Plant Health Agency (APHA) to operate as an ABP plant.

The list of details follows the format laid down by the European Commission and is arranged in sections according to plant type:

- intermediate plants
- storage plants
- incineration plants
- processing (rendering) plants
- oleo-chemical plants
- biogas plants
- composting plants
- petfood plants
- specific users
- purposes outside of the food chain
- collection centres
- organic fertiliser/soil improver plants
- other registered plants

A list of approved and registered premises in the European Union is available on the [European Commission website](#)

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## [Detailed guide: Certification for companies working on equipment containing F gas](#)

*Updated:* Added web addresses for certification bodies.

Your company must be certified to handle [fluorinated greenhouse gases \(F gases\) regulated by the EU](#) if it services the following types of equipment for other businesses:

- stationary refrigeration systems that contain F gas
- stationary air conditioning and heat pump systems that contain F gas

- stationary fire protection systems that contain F gas

Servicing includes installing, repairing, maintaining and decommissioning.

Your employees must also be qualified as individuals if they handle F gas. Find out how to [get qualified to work with F gas as an individual](#).

Sole traders must be qualified as individuals and certified as companies.

Certificates issued in other EU member states are valid in the UK.

## **Exception for companies servicing their own equipment**

Your company doesn't have to be certified if it only services its own equipment.

For example, a supermarket doesn't have to be certified if it employs someone to service its refrigeration systems. However, a company that has a contract to service the supermarket's refrigeration systems must be certified.

Your employees still have to be qualified as individuals if they handle F gas, even if your company doesn't have to be certified.

## **Refrigeration and stationary air conditioning certification**

Your company must be certified by one of these organisations if it services refrigeration or stationary air conditioning and heat pump systems for other businesses:

Refcom Certification Ltd

Old Mansion House

Eamont Bridge

Penrith

Cumbria

CA10 2BX

Telephone: 01768 860 409

Email: [refcom.info@theBESA.com](mailto:refcom.info@theBESA.com)

Company number: 06772204

[Refcom Certification Ltd](#)

F-Gas Register (Quidos)

8 North Parade Buildings

Bath

BA1 1NS

Telephone: 01225 667 697

Email: [info@fgasregister.com](mailto:info@fgasregister.com)

Company number: 05665301

[F-Gas Register \(Quidos\)](#)

Bureau Veritas UK Ltd

Fifth Floor

66 Prescott Street

London

E1 8HG

Telephone: 0845 600 1828

Email: [caroline.bettridge@uk.bureauveritas.com](mailto:caroline.bettridge@uk.bureauveritas.com)

Company number: 01758622

[Bureau Veritas UK Ltd](#)

You must renew your company's certification every 3 years.

## **Fire protection certification**

Your company must be certified by the [Fire Industry Association](#) if you work on fire protection systems.

Fire Industry Association

Tudor House

Kingsway Business Park

Oldfield Road

Hampton

Middlesex, UK

TW12 2HD

Telephone: 020 3166 5002

Email: [info@fia.uk.com](mailto:info@fia.uk.com)

Company number: 05989140

### [Fire Industry Association](#)

You must renew your company's certification every 5 years.

## **Requirements for certified companies**

If your company is certified you must be able to demonstrate that you:

- employ sufficient trained staff to carry out your work
- have procedures in place for the safe handling of F gases and to minimise emissions

You can meet the first requirement by recording the certificate numbers of any F gas qualifications received by your employees.

You can meet the second requirement by developing a written procedure for handling F gases, including the equipment used.

You may be audited by the body that certified you to check you meet these requirements.

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## **[Policy paper: Newhaven flood alleviation scheme](#)**

*Updated:* Updates to scheme and new photographs added 11 October 2018.

This document explains the plans to reduce flood risk from the sea and the river along the Ouse valley in Newhaven.

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## **Statutory guidance: SR2013 No 1: treat 100 tonnes a year of clinical and healthcare waste**

*Updated:* Added to 'details' section: You can apply online for most standard rules environmental permits.

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[Apply for a standard rules environmental permit.](#)

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## **Statutory guidance: SR2014 No 2: management of extractive waste**

*Updated:* Added to 'details' section: You can apply online for most standard rules environmental permits.

Standard rule guidance and generic risk assessment for managing extractive waste generated from onshore oil and gas prospecting activities of drill, core and decommissioning without well stimulation (using oil and / or water based drilling mud).

There are 2 waste management plans to accompany the SR2014 No 2 rules.

You can apply online for most standard rules environmental permits.

[Apply for a standard rules environmental permit.](#)