

Guidance: Waste classification technical guidance

Updated: Updated Waste classification technical guidance. Appendix C revised to reflect requirements of Council Regulation 2017/997.

Technical guidance WM3 applies in England from 1st July 2015, when the legal requirements change.

This document provides guidance on waste classification. It is a comprehensive reference manual for anyone involved in producing, managing and regulating waste. You need to be competent in hazardous waste and have some knowledge of chemistry to fully utilise all aspects of this guidance. Appendix A includes the waste classification codes, also referred to as LoW (List of Waste) or EWC (European Waste Catalogue) codes for hazardous and non hazardous waste. This document does not provide guidance on the packaging and labelling of waste for transport.