

## Short Guidance

### Paragraph 12: Treatment and Storage of Waste - with a view to recovery or reuse, according to specified conditions.

A guide to the legislation is given below. Read through this to help you decide if this exemption covers the type of activity that you wish to undertake.

#### Exempted activity

Paragraph 12 allows the treatment and storage of specified wastes.

#### Waste Types, Activities and Limits Permitted

The waste types, EWC Codes, treatment activities and storage limits permitted are specified in Tables 5 and 5A in The Waste Management Licensing (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2016 – [see attached Appendix 1.](#)

#### Additional Conditions

- 1) The activity must be carried on with a view to the recovery or re-use of the waste, whether or not by the person carrying on the activity.
- 2) The combined volume of all wastes on the site at any one time cannot exceed 100m<sup>3</sup> (before or after processing).
- 3) Each type of waste must arrive at the site unmixed with other waste.
- 4) Each type of waste must be treated and stored separately.
- 5) No waste is stored on the site for longer than 12 months.

#### Planning Permission

The site must have and be operated in compliance with, planning permission, where such permission is required.

#### What the legislation says

The full wording of the paragraph 12 exemption can be found in The Waste Management Licensing Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2003 as amended by The Waste Management Licensing (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2016.

**Relevant Objectives** in relation to the disposal or recovery of waste are given in paragraph 4 of Schedule 3 to the 2003 Regulations.

If you think that you can meet the requirements of the paragraph 12 exemption and wish to proceed with the registration please contact:-

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APPENDIX 1

Table 5

“Six-digit EWC Code	Waste description	Activities	Additional specified conditions	Limit (at any one time)
	<i>Paper and cardboard</i>	Baling, sorting or shredding		100m <sup>3</sup>
	<i>03 03 wastes from pulp, paper and cardboard production and processing</i>			
03 03 07	mechanically separated rejects from pulping of waste paper and cardboard			
03 03 08	wastes from sorting of paper and cardboard destined for recycling			
	<i>15 01 packaging (including separately collected municipal packaging waste)</i>			
15 01 01	paper and cardboard packaging			
	<i>20 01 separately collected fractions (except 15 01)</i>			
20 01 01	paper and cardboard			
	<i>Textiles</i>	Baling, sorting or shredding		
	<i>15 01 packaging (including separately collected municipal packaging waste)</i>			
15 01 09	textile packaging			
	<i>20 01 separately collected fractions (except 15 01)</i>			
20 01 10	clothes			
20 01 11	textiles			
	<i>Plastic</i>	Baling, sorting, shredding, densifying or washing	Where the treatment involves densifying waste, the treatment does not involve the application of heat.	
	<i>02 01 wastes from agriculture, horticulture, aquaculture, forestry, hunting and fishing</i>			
02 01 04	waste plastics (except packaging)			
	<i>07 02 waste from the manufacture, formulation, supply and use (MFSU) of plastics, synthetic rubber and man-made fibres</i>			
07 02 13	waste plastic			
	<i>12 01 wastes from shaping and physical and mechanical surface treatment of metals and plastics</i>			
12 01 05	plastics shavings and turnings			
	<i>15 01 packaging (including separately collected municipal packaging waste)</i>			
15 01 02	plastic packaging			
	<i>16 01 end-of-life vehicles from different means of transport</i>			

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	<i>(including off-road machinery) and wastes from dismantling of end-of-life vehicles and vehicle maintenance (except 13, 14, 16 06 and 16 08)</i>			
16 01 19	plastic			
	<i>17 02 wood, glass and plastic</i>			
17 02 03	plastic			
	<i>20 01 separately collected fractions (except 15 01)</i>			
20 01 39	plastics			
	<i>Glass</i>	Sorting, crushing or washing		
	<i>10 11 wastes from manufacture of glass and glass products</i>			
10 11 12	waste glass other than those mentioned in 10 11 11			
	<i>15 01 packaging (including separately collected municipal packaging waste)</i>			
15 01 07	glass packaging			
	<i>16 01 end-of-life vehicles from different means of transport (including off-road machinery) and wastes from dismantling of end-of-life vehicles and vehicle maintenance (except 13, 14, 16 06 and 16 08)</i>			
16 01 20	glass			
	<i>17 02 wood, glass and plastic</i>			
17 02 02	glass			
	<i>20 01 separately collected fractions (except 15 01)</i>			
20 01 02	glass			
	<i>Steel cans, aluminium cans, aluminium foil</i>	Sorting, crushing, pulverising, shredding, compacting or baling	Where the treatment involves pulverising waste, the treatment is carried on in an enclosed building.	
	<i>15 01 packaging (including separately collected municipal packaging waste)</i>			
15 01 04	metallic packaging			
	<i>Food or drink cartons</i>	Sorting, crushing, pulverising, shredding, compacting or baling	Where the treatment involves pulverising waste, the treatment is carried on in an enclosed building.	
	<i>15 01 packaging (including separately collected municipal packaging waste)</i>			
15 01 01	paper and cardboard packaging			
15 01 02	plastic packaging			
15 01 03	wooden packaging			
15 01 05	composite packaging			
15 01 06	mixed packaging			
15 01 07	glass packaging			

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15 01 09	textile packaging			
	<i>End-of-life vehicles and non-hazardous components</i>	Dismantling for use as vehicle parts		
	<i>16 01 end-of-life vehicles from different means of transport (including off-road machinery) and wastes from dismantling of end-of-life vehicles and vehicle maintenance (except 13, 14, 16 06 and 16 08)</i>			
16 01 06	end-of-life vehicles, containing neither liquids nor other hazardous components		<p>The operation is for the purposes of the reuse or recovery of the waste.</p> <p>For the purposes of this paragraph and in relation to an end-of-life vehicle, “depolluted” means that the vehicle has been subjected to all of the operations described in paragraph 3 of Annex 1 to the End-of-Life Vehicles Directive.</p>	5 vehicles
16 01 22	components not otherwise specified		The operation is for the purposes of the reuse or recovery of the waste.	5m <sup>3</sup>

**Table 5A**

<i>“Six-digit EWC Code</i>	<i>Waste description</i>	<i>Additional specified conditions</i>	<i>Limit (at any one time)</i>
	<i>Paper and cardboard</i>	The waste is stored in a baled form, in an enclosed building or container.	100m <sup>3</sup>
	<i>03 03 wastes from pulp, paper and cardboard production and processing</i>		
03 03 07	mechanically separated rejects from pulping of waste paper and cardboard		
03 03 08	wastes from sorting of paper and cardboard destined for recycling		
	<i>15 01 packaging (including separately collected municipal packaging waste)</i>		
15 01 01	paper and cardboard packaging		
	<i>19 12 wastes from the mechanical treatment of waste (for example sorting, crushing, compacting, pelletising) not otherwise specified</i>		
19 12 01	paper and cardboard		
	<i>20 01 separately collected fractions (except 15 01)</i>		
20 01 01	paper and cardboard		
	<i>Textiles</i>		
	<i>15 01 packaging (including separately collected municipal packaging waste)</i>		
15 01 09	textile packaging		
	<i>19 12 wastes from the mechanical treatment of waste (for example sorting, crushing, compacting, pelletising) not otherwise specified</i>		
19 12 08	textiles		
	<i>20 01 separately collected fractions (except 15 01)</i>		
20 01 10	clothes		
20 01 11	textiles		
	<i>Plastic</i>		
	<i>02 01 wastes from agriculture, horticulture, aquaculture, forestry, hunting and fishing</i>		
02 01 04	waste plastics (except packaging)		
	<i>07 02 waste from the MFSU of plastics, synthetic rubber and man-made fibres</i>		
07 02 13	waste plastic		
	<i>12 01 wastes from shaping and physical and mechanical surface treatment of metals and plastics</i>		
12 01 05	plastic shavings and turnings		
	<i>15 01 packaging (including separately collected municipal</i>		

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	<i>packaging waste)</i>		
15 01 02	<i>plastic packaging</i>		
	<i>16 01 end-of-life vehicles from different means of transport (including off-road machinery) and wastes from dismantling of end-of-life vehicles and vehicle maintenance (except 13, 14, 16 06 and 16 08)</i>		
16 01 19	<i>plastic</i>		
	<i>17 02 wood, glass and plastic</i>		
17 02 03	<i>plastic</i>		
	<i>19 12 wastes from the mechanical treatment of waste (for example sorting, crushing, compacting, pelletising) not otherwise specified</i>		
19 12 04	<i>plastic and rubber</i>		
	<i>20 01 separately collected fractions (except 15 01)</i>		
20 01 39	<i>plastics</i>		
	<i>Glass</i>		
	<i>10 11 wastes from manufacture of glass and glass products</i>		
10 11 12	<i>waste glass other than those mentioned in 10 11 11</i>		
	<i>15 01 packaging (including separately collected municipal packaging waste)</i>		
15 01 07	<i>glass packaging</i>		
	<i>16 01 end-of-life vehicles from different means of transport (including off-road machinery) and wastes from dismantling of end-of-life vehicles and vehicle maintenance (except 13, 14, 16 06 and 16 08)</i>		
16 01 20	<i>glass</i>		
	<i>17 02 wood, glass and plastic</i>		
17 02 02	<i>glass</i>		
	<i>19 12 wastes from the mechanical treatment of waste (for example sorting, crushing, compacting, pelletising) not otherwise specified</i>		
19 12 05	<i>glass</i>		
	<i>20 01 separately collected fractions (except 15 01)</i>		
20 01 02	<i>glass</i>		
	<i>Steel cans, aluminium cans, aluminium foil</i>		
	<i>15 01 packaging (including separately collected municipal</i>		

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	<i>packaging waste)</i>		
15 01 04	metallic packaging		
	<i>Food or drink cartons</i>		
	<i>15 01 packaging (including separately collected municipal packaging waste)</i>		
15 01 01	paper and cardboard packaging		
15 01 02	plastic packaging		
15 01 03	wooden packaging		
15 01 05	composite packaging		
15 01 06	mixed packaging		
15 01 07	glass packaging		
15 01 09	textile packaging		
	<i>Waste articles which are to be used for construction work which are capable of being so used in their existing state</i>		
	<i>17 01 concrete, bricks, tiles and ceramics</i>		
17 01 02	bricks		
17 01 03	tiles and ceramics		
17 01 07	mixtures of concrete, bricks, tiles and ceramics other than those mentioned in 17 01 06		
	<i>17 02 wood, glass and plastic</i>		
17 02 01	wood		
	<i>20 01 separately collected fractions (except 15 01)</i>		
20 01 38	wood other than that mentioned in 20 01 37		
	<i>Metal</i>		
	<i>02 01 wastes from agriculture, horticulture, aquaculture, forestry, hunting and fishing</i>		
02 01 10	waste metal		
	<i>12 01 wastes from shaping and physical and mechanical surface treatment of metals and plastics</i>		
12 01 01	ferrous metal filings and turnings		
12 01 02	ferrous metal dust and particles		
12 01 03	non-ferrous metal filings and turnings		
12 01 04	non-ferrous metal dust and particles		
	<i>15 01 packaging (including separately collected municipal packaging waste)</i>		
15 01 04	metallic packaging		
	<i>16 01 end-of-life vehicles from different means of transport (including off-road machinery) and wastes from dismantling of</i>		



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	<i>end-of-life vehicles and vehicle maintenance (except 13, 14, 16 06 and 16 08)</i>		
16 01 17	ferrous metal		
16 01 18	non-ferrous metal		
	<i>17 04 metals (including their alloys)</i>		
17 04 01	copper, bronze, brass		
17 04 02	aluminium		
17 04 03	lead		
17 04 04	zinc		
17 04 05	iron and steel		
17 04 06	tin		
17 04 07	mixed metals		
17 04 11	cables other than those mentioned in 17 04 10		
	<i>19 01 wastes from incineration or pyrolysis of waste</i>		
19 01 02	ferrous metals removed from bottom ash		
	<i>19 10 wastes from shredding of metal-containing wastes</i>		
19 10 01	iron and steel waste		
19 10 02	non-ferrous waste		
	<i>19 12 wastes from the mechanical treatment of waste (for example sorting, crushing, compacting, pelletising) not otherwise specified</i>		
19 12 02	ferrous metal		
19 12 03	non-ferrous metal		
	<i>20 01 separately collected fractions (except 15 01)</i>		
20 01 40	metals		
	<i>Solvents</i>	The waste is stored on an impermeable pavement.	5m <sup>3</sup>
	<i>02 03 wastes from fruit, vegetables, cereals, edible oils, cocoa, coffee, tea and tobacco preparation and processing; conserve production; yeast and yeast extract production, molasses preparation and fermentation</i>		
02 03 03	wastes from solvent extraction		
	<i>08 04 wastes from the MFSU of adhesives and sealants (including waterproofing products)</i>		
08 04 09*	waste adhesives and sealants containing organic solvents or other hazardous substances		
	<i>09 01 wastes from the photographic industry</i>		
09 01 03*	solvent-based developer solutions		

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	<i>14 06 waste organic solvents, refrigerants and foam/aerosol propellants</i>		
14 06 02*	other halogenated solvents and solvent mixtures		
14 06 03*	other solvents and solvent mixtures		
	<i>20 01 separately collected fractions (except 15 01)</i>		
20 01 27*	paints, inks, adhesives and resins containing hazardous substances		
	<i>Refrigerants</i>	The waste is stored on an impermeable pavement.	20m <sup>3</sup>
	<i>14 06 waste organic solvents, refrigerants and foam/aerosol propellants</i>	For the purposes of this paragraph, “refrigerants” means	
14 06 01*	chlorofluorocarbons, HCFC, HFC	dichlorodifluoromethane, chlorotrifluoromethane, dichlorotetrafluoroethane, chloropentafluoroethane, bromotrifluoromethane, chlorodifluoromethane, chlorotetrafluoroethane, trifluoromethane, difluoromethane, pentafluoroethane, tetrafluoroethane, chlorodifluoroethane, difluoroethane, trichlorofluoromethane, trichlorotrifluoroethane, dichlorotrifluoroethane, dichlorofluoroethane and mixtures containing any of those substances.	
14 06 02*	other halogenated solvents and solvent mixtures		
	<i>Oils</i>	The waste is stored on an impermeable pavement.	3m <sup>3</sup>
	<i>13 01 waste hydraulic oils</i>		
13 01 04*	chlorinated emulsions		
13 01 05*	non-chlorinated emulsions		
13 01 09*	mineral-based chlorinated hydraulic oils		
13 01 10*	mineral-based non-chlorinated hydraulic oils		
13 01 11*	synthetic hydraulic oils		
13 01 12*	readily biodegradable hydraulic oils		
13 01 13*	other hydraulic oils		
	<i>13 02 waste engine, gear and lubricating oils</i>		
13 02 04*	mineral-based chlorinated engine, gear and lubricating oils		
13 02 05*	mineral-based non-chlorinated engine, gear and lubricating oils		

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13 02 06*	synthetic engine, gear and lubricating oils		
13 02 07*	readily biodegradable engine, gear and lubricating oils		
13 02 08*	other engine, gear and lubricating oils		
	<i>13 03 waste insulating and heat transmission oils</i>		
13 03 06*	mineral-based chlorinated insulating and heat transmission oils other than those mentioned in 13 03 01		
13 03 07*	mineral-based non-chlorinated insulating and heat transmission oils		
13 03 08*	synthetic insulating and heat transmission oils		
13 03 09*	readily biodegradable insulating and heat transmission oils		
13 03 10*	other insulating and heat transmission oils		
	<i>End-of-life vehicles and non-hazardous components</i>		
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16 01 06	end-of-life vehicles, containing neither liquids nor other hazardous components	The operation is for the purposes of the reuse or recovery of the waste.  For the purposes of this paragraph and in relation to an end-of-life vehicle, “depolluted” means that the vehicle has been subjected to all of the operations described in paragraph 3 of Annex 1 to the End-of-Life Vehicles Directive.	5 vehicles
16 01 22	Components not otherwise specified	The operation is for the purposes of the reuse or recovery of the waste.	5m <sup>3</sup> ”