

NetRegs

Your guide to environmental law affecting your business

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Lights out for inefficient bulbs



New regulations are phasing out incandescent light bulbs and inefficient halogen lamps, and introducing minimum efficiency ratings for all bulbs. Frosted or pearl incandescent bulbs and clear incandescent bulbs of 100 watts or more are now banned, but retailers

may clear their stock. [Check the key dates.](#)

Site waste made simple



Our updated [Simple Guide to Site Waste Management Plans](#) can help construction businesses save resources and money, protect the environment and even win new business. Follow our nine-point guide to manage your site waste, and then use the checklists to make sure

you've done everything right. If you're in the West Country, get free practical advice at [local SWMP seminars](#).

Update your details!

We want to make our Updates more tailored for your business, so it's important that we have the right details for you. Please take a moment to [update your preferences](#).

Spread the word

Do you know a business that would benefit from staying informed, saving money and going green with NetRegs updates?

[Recommend us to a friend](#)

Do you have questions about sustainable procurement?

We're writing brand new guidance to help businesses buy greener goods, so [email us](#) with your questions and we'll do our best to answer them on NetRegs.

Dates for your diary

Meet the NetRegs team **today** at the Business Advice Open Day at the London Design Centre,

Food producers: check you comply



New checklists for food and drink manufacturers make it easy to comply with waste and water regulations. Tick each item off the list to check you've got the right paperwork, are making the right checks and doing the right thing to prevent pollution. Use the quick links to NetRegs if you need

more guidance.

Battery producers: don't miss key deadlines!



If you are a large producer of portable batteries you must join a compliance scheme by 15 October. If you are a small producer of portable batteries or you are an industrial or automotive battery producer from 15 October you must apply to be registered using the

National Packaging Waste Database within 28 days of the first day you place batteries on the market.

Good wood guidance



Making and treating wood and timber products can cause dust and noise pollution, and uses potentially polluting treatments, glues and oils. If you treat timber, or manufacture wood products or composites like MDF or plywood, read our updated environmental guidance. Also, find out

about the timber procurement policy if you supply timber or wood-derived products to government bodies.

Islington

Meet the team in Northern Ireland:

NISP Resource Efficiency Workshop, Seagoe Hotel, Portadown on Wednesday 7 October. Email Elaine Kerr or Tel 028 3839 6540

Free Energy and Environment Conference 09 at the Waterfront Hall, Belfast.

NIEA business seminar at IKEA, Belfast on Monday 26 October. Email Rosie Barnett or Tel 028 9046 0606

Business Advice Open Day at the Killyhevlin Hotel Enniskillen on Tuesday 3 November

Business Advice Open Day at the City Hotel Londonderry on Thursday 5 November

Not your Update?

If you have been sent this newsletter by a friend and would like your own free update every month, you can subscribe here.



Easy links to all new legislation



It's now even easier for you to keep track of legislation affecting your business with our new quick reference lists of regulations that have come into force in the past 12 months. We'll keep these pages up to date so you can quickly see what's new in England, Northern Ireland, Scotland

and Wales.

Lead shot banned in Northern Ireland



It is now illegal to shoot with lead shot over wetlands in Northern Ireland. The regulations, which are also in force in Scotland, will protect birds from lead poisoning from spent shot. See our lead shot guidance.

Generic operator returns now online



You can now submit waste returns to the Environment Agency in England and Wales online. Find out how on NetRegs.

New to NetRegs?

A special welcome if you've recently signed up to NetRegs Updates and you're a printer or lithographer, scrap metal merchant, or work in road haulage services or quarries. We hope you find our guidance useful.

Has NetRegs helped you?

If you have saved money or cut down on your waste as a result of using NetRegs, we'd like to hear from you. [Email us](#) to share your story.

"I fully support any tool that can assist small businesses in ensuring better environmental compliance and recommend NetRegs.gov.uk to those seeking guidance on how to make their business practices more sustainable." [David Shenton, National Environment Manager, LaFarge Cement](#)

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