

# Applying for Approval as an Operator of a Battery Compliance Scheme

## Guidance notes



The Waste Batteries and Accumulators Regulations 2009

**Please read these guidance notes carefully before you complete the application form on the National Packaging Waste Database (NPWD). You must read this guidance note in conjunction with the guidance note on Operational Plans for Battery Compliance Scheme Applications (WMP10).**

You must also read the relevant sections of the Regulations.

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## 1 What are the Waste Batteries and Accumulators Regulations 2009?

The Waste Batteries and Accumulators Regulations ('the Regulations') 2009 (SI 890) are UK-wide regulations that transpose the requirements of the Batteries and Accumulators and Waste Batteries and Accumulators Directive (2006/66/EC) ('the Batteries Directive'), which was adopted by the EC in 2006.

The Regulations place a range of responsibilities on manufacturers and importers of batteries and accumulators, including those incorporated into appliances or vehicles. These include taking responsibility for the collection, treatment and recycling of waste automotive, industrial and portable batteries. Those businesses which have responsibility under the Regulations are known as 'producers'.

Producers of portable batteries and accumulators are required to:

- join an approved battery compliance scheme, if they put 1 tonne or more portable batteries on the UK market during a year
- or
- if they put less than 1 tonne of portable batteries on the UK market during a year, register directly with the relevant authority.<sup>1</sup> These producers are called 'small producers'.

The differing registration requirements for producers are because 'small producers' are exempt from collection, treatment and recycling obligations.

Producers of industrial and/or automotive batteries and accumulators who are also producers of portable batteries must join a battery compliance scheme. If they are a 'small producer' they must register with us.

The first compliance period starts on 1 January 2010 and producers must join a scheme by 15 October 2009, or within 28 days of becoming a producer.

<sup>1</sup> The Environment Agency for producers in England and Wales; Scottish Environment Protection Agency for Scotland; or the Northern Ireland Environment Agency for Northern Ireland. Referred to as 'us' in this guidance. Small producers only need to register with one of the environment agencies.

## 2 What is a battery compliance scheme?

A battery compliance scheme (BCS) is a company or other person (including partnership or sole trader) approved by us, that will take on the registration, collection, treatment and recycling obligations on behalf of producers of portable batteries and accumulators. Producers are any person, including distance sellers, in the UK who places batteries on the UK market for the first time on a professional basis. This includes importers.

All producers of portable batteries and accumulators must join a BCS, except small producers who must register directly with us.

Each BCS must register their producer members with the authority that approved the scheme (either the Environment Agency for England and Wales, Scottish Environment Protection Agency or Northern Ireland Environment Agency).

The compliance scheme must then meet its members' obligations for portable batteries and accumulators.

This guidance tells you what you need to do to apply for approval to operate as a compliance scheme and what you will need to do once you are approved.

## 3 How to apply to operate a compliance scheme

In order to operate a battery compliance scheme, you must be approved by one of the UK environment agencies. You only need to apply to one of the agencies to obtain approval to operate as a scheme across the whole of the United Kingdom. You must apply to the authority responsible for the area where your registered office or principal place of business is located. For example, if your registered office is in England or Wales, you must apply to the Environment Agency for approval.

To apply for approval, you must:

- complete the application process (section 4, page 2)
- provide us with your operational plan, your viable plans and your scheme rules (sections 4 and 5, page 2, and WMP10) and supporting documentation. We provide you with templates to do this.
- pay the scheme application charge (section 9, page 3).

You must make your application on or before 31 May 2009. Applications received after this date will not be processed and will be returned.

We may ask you to provide further information to help us determine your application. If we require further information we will serve a notice on you on or before 30 June 2009 specifying:

- the information required, and
- the date by which it is required, which will be no later than 31 August 2009.

We will determine all applications on or before 30 September 2009.

Once you have been granted approval as a battery compliance scheme, this approval will last for an indefinite period, but we can withdraw that approval, in certain circumstances. So, once you have been approved there is no requirement to re-apply, unless your approval is withdrawn.

We will not grant approval unless we are satisfied that your application shows that your proposed scheme has met the criteria for approval. You must also have made your application fully and have sent in any further information we have requested.

## 4 The application process for battery compliance schemes

Part 1 of Schedule 3 of the Regulations sets out the information you need to provide in your application.

Applications are made on the National Packaging Waste Database (NPWD). Please refer to the guidance notes at <http://npwd.environment-agency.gov.uk> for details on how to access and use NPWD.

If you have any problems with using NPWD, please call 08708 506506.

The following guidance explains what information we require from you to demonstrate that the statutory information requirements have been met.

### 4.1 Basic information

Please give us the name of your scheme. This is the name we will use in any correspondence and the name on the public register. The scheme operator is the legal entity (i.e. registered company, partnership) operating the scheme. You will also need to provide us with supporting documentary evidence which clearly sets out who the legal entity is. For example, if you are a registered company in the UK, this could be a copy of your Companies House registration or company number. If you are a partnership, please provide us with the names of all the partners, or members of the partnership, and identify which partner(s) is nominated to act with regard to your application.

Please give us the name of your primary contact and their telephone numbers. The primary contact information will be used for all our correspondence with you. To help us to communicate with you and send you updates, please also provide a contact email address.

Legal notices and invoices will be sent to the registered company address unless you specify otherwise. If you are an unincorporated body, legal notices and invoices will be sent to your principal place of business. If you require legal notices and invoices to be sent to any other address please let us know.

Please ensure your correct postcode is added to your contact address, so we can ensure that any correspondence is properly addressed.

### 4.2 Previous offences

We need to know if you have been convicted of an offence as a compliance scheme under these Regulations or as a compliance scheme under the Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment Regulations 2006 (as amended) or the Producer Responsibility Obligations (Packaging Waste) Regulations 2007 (as amended).

If you have been convicted of any such offences you must explain how every breach of the Regulations resulted in the offence(s) occurring and what steps you have taken to ensure this will not happen again.

### 4.3 Rules of the proposed scheme

You must confirm that the rules of your proposed compliance scheme includes the requirements set out in paragraphs 6 and 8 of Part 1 of Schedule 3 to the Regulations. These are:

- that a scheme member must apply to join the scheme for a minimum of one compliance period (or the remainder of, as appropriate)
- any cancellation of producer membership does not take place until the end of the compliance period
- details of an arbitration procedure that will apply for the purpose of determining any dispute between members, and members and the operator of the scheme
- details of the arrangements for disseminating important information to members in an accurate and timely manner
- details of how you would allocate evidence notes between scheme members in the event of your approval being withdrawn, or in the event of your scheme failing during a compliance period.

Once you have received a login for NPWD we will send a template for you to set out the five required scheme rules.

You must also provide a copy of the full rules of your proposed scheme with your application.

## 5 What to include in your operational plan

Part 2 of Schedule 3 to the Regulations sets out the information you must include in your operational plan. Your operational plan is a key part of the assessment of your application.

You must demonstrate to us through your operational plan how you intend to operate as a compliance scheme and you must set out all the required information in your application.

Once you have received a login for NPWD we will send you a template for you to set out your operational plan.

We will also provide a template for you to set out your proposed scheme's viable plans to collect waste portable batteries to satisfy your scheme's obligations.

Please note that the information you include in your operational plan must cover the next three compliance periods starting with the year after your application.

You must read the guidance notes on Operational Plans for Battery Compliance Scheme Applications (WMP10) for information on what you must include in this document.

## 6 Determination of your application

You must read Part 3 of Schedule 3 to the Regulations for the criteria for approval as a proposed compliance scheme. We use these criteria in assessing your application.

You must refer to Regulation 47 for what you need to provide in your application for approval and Regulation 49 for how we determine your application.

We may ask you for further information after we have received your application if we require this to make a determination. Regulation 48 sets out how we will do this.

What we are looking for:

- We must be satisfied that you have supplied all the information set out in Part 1 of Schedule 3 to the Regulations and have supplied the information required by Part 2 of Schedule 3 to the Regulations in your operational plan.
- We must be satisfied that you have demonstrated that your proposed scheme meets the criteria for approval set out in Part 3 of Schedule 3 to the Regulations.
- You must have paid the appropriate fee and your application must be signed by the appropriate person.<sup>2</sup>
- You must have supplied the additional information specified in any notice served under Regulation 48(1) requiring further information on your application by 31 August 2009.

## 7 Where to find out further information

General information and guidance about the Batteries Regulations can be found at:

Department of Business, Enterprise and Regulatory Reform website: <http://www.berr.gov.uk/whatwedo/sectors/sustainability/batteries/page30610.html>

Environment Agency website: [www.environment-agency.gov.uk/batteries](http://www.environment-agency.gov.uk/batteries)

Environment Agency: 08708 506 506 or email [batteries@environment-agency.gov.uk](mailto:batteries@environment-agency.gov.uk)

SEPA website: [www.sepa.org.uk](http://www.sepa.org.uk)

SEPA: 01786 457700 or email [producer.responsibility@sepa.org.uk](mailto:producer.responsibility@sepa.org.uk)

NIEA website:  
[http://www.doeni.gov.uk/index/protect\\_the\\_environment/was/te/batteries.htm](http://www.doeni.gov.uk/index/protect_the_environment/was/te/batteries.htm)

NIEA: 02890 569383 or email [batteries@doeni.gov.uk](mailto:batteries@doeni.gov.uk)

## 8 Where to send your completed application

All applications for proposed battery compliance schemes must be submitted on the National Packaging Waste Database. You must fill out the application form on NPWD and upload your supporting documentation.

Guidance on how to obtain access to NPWD and how to apply online are available at <http://npwd.environment-agency.gov.uk>.

Once you have received your login for NPWD we will send you the three templates which you need to make your application.

For approval as a new battery compliance scheme for 2010 onwards, you must complete your application on NPWD on or before 31 May 2009.

If we require further information from you, or you wish to amend your application, you must submit this on or before 31 August 2009.

## 9 Fees and charges

Your application must include the appropriate scheme application charge. The current scheme application charge is £17,000. You must ensure that your payment is received by us on or before 31 May 2009.

Scheme application charges must be paid by cheque, made payable to the authority to which you are applying, or by BACS/CHAPS. If you wish to pay by BACS/CHAPS you must call us to obtain details of how to do this.

NPWD does not have a facility to enable any form of electronic payment.

If you are refused approval you will not receive a refund of your application charge.

## 10 What happens once you have submitted an application

### 10.1 Determining your application

Your application for approval will be assessed as soon as it is received. We will assess it to make sure you have included all the necessary information and we may come back to you to ask for more information. You must have made your application on or before 31 May 2009 or your application will be refused.

If we need further information to determine your application for approval we will request this on or before 30 June 2009 for approvals for schemes for 2010. You must provide this information on or before 31 August 2009.

We will assess your application and notify you of our determination to refuse or grant approval on or before 30 September 2009.

If we grant approval, this takes effect from the date of our determination and remains in force until we withdraw your approval (this may be as a result of your decision to cease operating as a scheme or as a result of our decision to withdraw your approval).

### 10.2 Refusing your application for approval

If you do not meet the criteria and requirements to operate a scheme, we shall refuse your application for approval. We will let you know why we have refused your application. You have the right to appeal if you do not agree with our decision.

## 11 Right of appeal against a decision

You may appeal against a decision made by the Environment Agency, the Scottish Environment Protection Agency or the Northern Ireland Environment Agency about our decision to refuse approval, or to withdraw your approval.

If you wish to make an appeal, you should submit your appeal to the Secretary of State for England and Wales, the Scottish Ministers for Scotland, or the Planning Appeals Commission in Northern Ireland, depending on which authority made the determination.

You must appeal according to the appeals procedure set out in Schedule 7 of the Regulations. If your appeal is successful we must notify you within 28 days of the date your appeal succeeded of our determination to grant approval.

Where your approval is withdrawn during a compliance period and you lodge an appeal, the withdrawal will be ineffective until the appeal has been decided.

<sup>2</sup> Appropriate persons are defined in Regulation 5 as follows: a person – that individual; a partnership – a partner; registered company – director or secretary of that company; body other than a registered company – person who has control or management of that body. You will be required to complete an ‘appropriate person signatory form’ when you apply for access to NPWD.

## 12 What happens once you are an approved compliance scheme?

You must comply with the conditions of approval, one of which is to carry out your scheme obligations (see Annexes 1 and 3 to this document, Regulation 52 and Part 3 of the Regulations).

You must pay an annual subsistence charge on receipt of an invoice issued by the authority which granted approval to your scheme. Currently the subsistence charge is £118,000, plus £680 for each scheme member.

You must also supply an updated operational plan under Regulation 52(2)(g) that covers the next three compliance periods, on or before 31 August of each year that your approval remains in force.

### 12.1 Withdrawal of approval

Your approval lasts for an indefinite period unless we withdraw our approval. Your approval may be withdrawn at any time if

- you break any of the conditions of approval in Regulation 52, or
- if we are satisfied that you knowingly or recklessly supplied false information in connection with
  - your application
  - your application for registration of producers
  - your notification of new scheme members or material changes to existing scheme members
  - your compliance with your conditions of approval.

We will send you notification of intent to withdraw your approval. This will include information on:

- our decision to withdraw your approval
- the reasons for the decision
- your right of appeal
- the date when withdrawal comes into effect.

### 12.2 Enforcement

The Regulations contain specific offences for approved compliance schemes that fail to comply with certain conditions of approval. These offences are in Regulation 89 and the penalties are in Regulation 90. If we believe or suspect that you have breached the Regulations, we will investigate and may take enforcement action. We may also withdraw your approval if we think it is appropriate.

The Environment Agency's Enforcement and Prosecution Policy is publicly available on our website at

<http://www.environment-agency.gov.uk/business/regulation/31851.aspx>

SEPA's Enforcement Policy is available at

[http://www.sepa.org.uk/about\\_us/policies.aspx](http://www.sepa.org.uk/about_us/policies.aspx)

NIEA's service standard is available at <http://www.ni-environment.gov.uk/legislation-and-service.pdf>

### 12.3 Disclosure/public register

The Regulations require the following information to be placed on a public register, for each approved compliance scheme:

- the name of the compliance scheme, and
- the name and address of the scheme operator

We are also required to periodically publish aggregated information on all approved compliance schemes. This includes the amount of waste portable batteries collected and the amount of portable batteries put on the market in the United Kingdom in a compliance period.

## Annex 1: What are the conditions of approval?

Once you are approved to operate a compliance scheme, you must meet the following conditions of approval. You need to show in your application and operational plan how you intend to meet each of these conditions. Please see the Regulations for the precise wording of each condition (Regulation 52).

1. Comply with the scheme obligations under Part 3 of the Regulations (Annex 3)
2. Carry out the scheme's operational plan
3. Comply with your obligations under distributor's right of uplift to:
  - a. arrange with distributors (within 21 days of the request) who make a request to your scheme to collect from it waste portable batteries it has taken back under Regulation 31
  - b. ensure these batteries are collected free of charge to the distributor and within a reasonable time
4. Accept without charge any waste portable batteries at any facility you provide that are delivered by an economic operator or waste collection authority
5. Provide any information relating to the scheme's obligations when reasonably requested by the appropriate authority
6. Inform the appropriate authority in writing within 28 days of:
  - a. any change in the person who is the operator of the scheme, and in the case where the operator of the scheme is a partnership, any change of partners
  - b. any material change in member details, approved compliance scheme application details or in your operational plan
  - c. the conviction of the operator of the scheme for offence(s) committed as a scheme under these Regulations, or the WEEE Regulations or the Packaging Regulations
7. Inform the appropriate authority of the names of your scheme members and their battery producer numbers between 15 and 31 October in the year before the compliance period (for any year except 2009)
8. Provide the appropriate authority with an updated operational plan covering the next three compliance periods on or before 31 August of each year the approval remains in force
9. Pay the annual scheme subsistence charge on receipt of an invoice issued by the authority which approved your scheme
10. Provide records and reports to the appropriate authority in compliance with Regulations 22(2), 23 and 24
11. Continue to meet the criteria for approval of a scheme set out in the Regulations in Part 3 of Schedule 3 (see Annex 2).

## Annex 2: Requirements for approval of scheme

In order to be approved as an operator of a scheme you need to satisfy us that you can meet the following requirements. You will need to show in your application how you intend to meet these requirements.

We will provide a template for you to submit this information. The text below is a summary of that printed in the Regulations. Please see Part 3 of Schedule 3 of the Regulations for the precise wording and references for each requirement.

1. The rules or regulations of the scheme provide:
  - a. that a scheme member must apply to join the scheme for a minimum period of one compliance period, except in the case of a new producer who does not become a producer until after the compliance period has started. A new producer will be expected to join the scheme for the remainder of the compliance period during which he has started putting portable batteries on the market in the UK
  - b. that where a member of the scheme's membership is cancelled, the cancellation cannot take place until the end of the current compliance period
  - c. for an arbitration procedure to determine disputes between scheme members and scheme members and the operator of the scheme
  - d. for dissemination of important information to scheme members in an accurate and timely way
  - e. for allocation of batteries evidence notes to each scheme member on withdrawal of approval of the scheme. The allocation must be in proportion to the quantity of batteries placed on the market by the member, relative to the other members, in the compliance period up until the withdrawal of approval
2. The scheme has the necessary resources and systems in place to:
  - a. carry out its operational plan
  - b. maintain up-to-date records of its members
    - i. including their names and addresses
    - ii. their battery producer registration numbers
  - c. comply with the scheme's portable battery obligations under Regulation 19 in an appropriate and timely manner
  - d. keep, update and supply records to the appropriate authority as required (Regulation 22)
  - e. supply information to the appropriate authority as required by Regulations 23 and 24
  - f. submit declarations of compliance and supporting batteries evidence notes as required (Regulation 25)
  - g. ensure scheme members are registered and any changes in registration details are notified to the appropriate authority as required in Regulations 26 and 29
  - h. check that the information provided to it by its scheme members is as accurate as reasonably possible and ensure that the scheme's submission of that information to the appropriate authority will meet a similar standard of accuracy
    - i. maintain good environmental practices
3. The operator of the proposed scheme or scheme is likely to be able to meet the expected treatment, recovery and recycling obligations for the three compliance periods covered by the operational plan
4. The proposed scheme or scheme is likely to:
  - a. assist in meeting the UK's obligation for that compliance period to maximise the separate collection of waste batteries and
  - b. in doing so will have regard to the environmental impact of transport
5. The operator of a proposed scheme will
  - a. cooperate with the operators of other battery compliance schemes to ensure the collection of waste portable batteries from distributors under the distributor right of uplift
  - b. provide reasonably situated and accessible facilities to ensure that economic operators and waste collection authorities are able to exercise their right to participate in collection, treatment and recycling schemes
  - c. operate a scheme information campaign which will ensure that end users of portable batteries are fully informed of:
    - i. the desirability of not disposing of waste batteries as unsorted municipal waste and to participate in separate collection to help treatment and recycling
    - ii. collection and recycling facilities available to them
    - iii. their role in contributing to the recycling of waste batteries
    - iv. the meaning of the crossed out wheelie bin symbols and the chemical symbols Hg, Cd and Pb
  - d. have viable plans to collect a number of waste portable batteries that is neither significantly higher nor significantly lower than the quantity needed to satisfy the scheme's obligation to finance the net cost for which each scheme member is responsible under the Regulations (see Annex 4).

### Annex 3: Approved compliance scheme obligations

Once approved as the operator of a scheme, you will need to meet the following obligations. You will need to show in your application how you intend to meet these obligations.

We will provide a template for you to submit this information.

The text below is a summary of that printed in the Regulations. Please see Regulations 19, 22–27 and 29 of the Regulations for the precise wording and references for each obligation.

1. Financing: portable batteries (Regulation 19)
  - a. A scheme operator must finance, on behalf of each of its members, the net costs arising from the collection, treatment and recycling of its share of all waste portable batteries collected in the UK
  - b. A scheme operator must finance the net costs of collection, treatment and recycling of any waste portable batteries collected by the scheme in excess of those required for its members' share
  - c. The net cost of a scheme information campaign
2. Treatment and recycling (Regulation 21)

A scheme operator must ensure that all the waste batteries it collects are delivered to and accepted at a specified site of an approved batteries treatment operator (ABTO) or approved battery exporter (ABE)
3. Record keeping (Regulation 22)
  - a. A scheme operator must keep written records of the total tonnage and within that, the amount in tonnes per chemical type of all waste portable batteries which the scheme has been responsible for collecting and delivering to an ABTO or ABE
  - b. The scheme operator must keep records for four years and make these records available to the appropriate authority on demand

4. Reporting: batteries placed on the market (Regulation 23)
  - a. A scheme operator must provide to the appropriate authority information on the total tonnage of portable batteries that each of its members has placed on the market for the first time in the UK in 2009 (after the date the Regulations became law), and for each relevant compliance period
  - b. These reports must be in writing, specify the total tonnages and tonnages by reference to chemical type, and must be signed by the appropriate person and submitted in the format published by the appropriate authority
  - c. These reports must be provided for each quarter of a compliance period on or before the last day of the month following that quarter
5. Reporting: waste batteries (Regulation 24)
  - a. A scheme operator must provide information to the appropriate authority on the total tonnage of waste portable batteries the scheme has been responsible for collecting and delivering to an ABTO or ABE during a relevant compliance period
  - b. These reports must be in writing, specify the total tonnages and tonnages by reference to chemical type, and must be signed by the appropriate person and submitted in the format published by the appropriate authority
  - c. These reports must be provided for each quarter of a compliance period on or before the last day of the month following that quarter
6. Declaration of compliance by battery compliance scheme (Regulation 25)
  - a. A scheme operator must provide a declaration of compliance and copies of all batteries evidence notes acquired for the relevant compliance period to the appropriate authority on or before 31 May of the year following the end of the relevant compliance period
  - b. The declaration of compliance must be made in writing, be signed by the appropriate person and include the information set out in Part 2 of Schedule 1
  - c. For schemes which are providing batteries evidence notes which relate to the compliance period ending on 31 December 2010 or 2011, you must provide only the notes acquired for waste portable batteries that your particular scheme has collected
7. Registration of scheme members (Regulation 26)
  - a. The operator of a scheme must ensure that each scheme member is registered with the appropriate authority for each compliance period but you do not have to register any member who is also a producer of industrial and automotive batteries and is registered with the Secretary of State under Regulation 45
  - b. The scheme must make an application to register scheme members to the appropriate authority
    - i. for producers who are scheme members on 15 October 2009, on or before 31 October 2009
    - ii. for producers who become scheme members after 15 October 2009 and whose details are not on the producer register held by the appropriate authority, within 28 days of the date the producer becomes a scheme member
8. Form of an application to register scheme members (Regulation 27)
  - a. A scheme application to register scheme members must be made in writing, signed by the appropriate person and be submitted in the format published by the appropriate authority
  - b. It must contain the information set out in Schedule 2 of the Regulations and be accompanied by evidence that the scheme is fully approved by the appropriate authority

An application for registration of members shall be granted where the scheme meets the requirements in Regulation 27. The scheme member must not already be registered with the appropriate authority for the same compliance scheme. Where the scheme member appeared on the register kept by the appropriate authority during any of the last five compliance periods before the relevant compliance period, the scheme member will keep its most recently allocated producer registration number
9. Notification of changes to registration details (Regulation 29)
  - a. If a scheme member's details on the register kept by the appropriate authority change, or if the scheme member ceases to be a producer, the scheme operator must notify the authority within one month of the change
  - b. Notifications must be made in writing, be signed by the appropriate authority, be in the format published by the appropriate authority and be accompanied by evidence of the scheme's full approval by the appropriate authority
  - c. Notifications must contain:
    - i. specific details of the changes in details or circumstances of the relevant scheme member
    - ii. the relevant scheme member's name
    - iii. the relevant scheme member's registration number.

#### Annex 4: Scheme targets for collection, treatment and recycling

The Batteries Directive target is for 25% of batteries placed on the market to be collected by 26 September 2012, and 45% by 26 September 2016. To help meet these targets, the battery compliance scheme must collect at least 25% of their members' market share in 2012 and subsequent years, and from 2016 onwards to collect at least 45%. It is a condition of approval that schemes meet these targets, and the interim targets leading up to these key dates.

Schemes that fail to meet the interim targets will have their approval reviewed by the environment agencies. Schemes that are failing may have their approval withdrawn.

In 2010 and 2011, schemes will need to largely meet these targets on their own efforts and should not rely on trading evidence notes with other schemes, although trading will be allowed. The purpose of the collection targets in 2010 and 2011 are to help schemes, producers and the authorities improve their understanding of the best methods for collecting batteries, in order to meet the target in 2012.

Your Declaration of Compliance for 2010 and 2011 must be supported by evidence notes.

The BCS targets, as percentage of weight of batteries placed on the market, are as follows:

<b>Year</b>	<b>Directive targets</b>	<b>BCS targets</b>
2010		10%
2011		18%
<b>2012</b>	<b>25%</b>	<b>25%</b>
2013		30%
2014		35%
2015		40%
<b>2016 onwards</b>	<b>45%</b>	<b>45%</b>

Schemes that fail to meet the interim targets will have their approval reviewed by the appropriate authorities. Schemes that are failing may have their approval withdrawn, if the authorities consider that a scheme is unlikely to be able to meet its future obligations.