

NetRegs

Your guide to environmental law affecting your business

Welcome to the February issue of NetRegs Update - your monthly guide to environmental regulations for your business.

Battery recycling bins now in stores



You can now take back your used portable batteries to battery retailers for recycling. Battery sellers must have a recycling bin for customers to drop off their old batteries.

Need to carry waste? Register online now



If you want to transport or deal in waste, you can register online as a waste carrier or broker with the Environment Agency. Read more on what you must do before you carry or deal in waste.

UK's first water protection zone



Did you know that within the River Dee catchment in north Wales, Cheshire and Shropshire you need Environment Agency consent to use or store 500 litres or more of liquid food, drink and animal feedstuffs? It's the UK's only water protection zone (WPZ), but recent regulations will allow for future WPZs to

protect against pollution.

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

Not your update?

If you got this update from a friend, but would like your own free update on environmental regulations and NetRegs guidance straight to your inbox every month, you can subscribe here.

Do you work in the road or rail transport business?

We're updating our guidance and considering removing the guidance on transport by rail.

Would this concern you? Please email us with your views.

Meet the NetRegs team...

...in **England:**

Understanding **Site Waste Management Plans**, an event for the construction

Waste plasterboard now easier to recycle



You can now use gypsum from waste plasterboard to make new products. If you follow the quality protocol from the Environment Agency and WRAP your gypsum won't be a 'waste' so waste controls won't apply. [Find out what to do with gypsum](#) to keep it out of landfill, use fewer raw materials and save money.

New guidance for metal product businesses



If you work in the metal product industry, [check out our updated guidance](#) on what you must do with your equipment, coatings, solvents, scrap and more to comply with environmental regulations.



Ever wish you got more relevant updates from NetRegs?

If so, please [update your details](#) and we'll send you future updates that are relevant to your business. It will only take a minute and means you'll always hear about new regulations and changes to NetRegs that

affect your business.

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industry in Poundbury, **Dorset** on 8 February. For details and to book, visit [Envirowise](#)

Environment Agency **events on producer responsibility regulations** for packaging, electricals, and batteries manufacturers, in Wimborne on 18 March or Bridgwater on 25 March

...in **Northern Ireland:**

NIEA business seminars

on the CRC Energy Efficiency Scheme and Environmental Management Systems. [Email Keelin Hamill](#) or Tel 028 9046 0606

...in **Scotland:**

Free Scottish Enterprise workshops on Legislation and Management Systems **Bellshill** on 22 February **Kilmarnock** on 23 February **Braehead** on 24 February **Glasgow** on 25 February **Clydebank** on 25 February

To book, call Tarryn Robertson on 0141 331 2991

Term of the month

Biodiversity (*noun*) The variety and combinations of all forms of life - animals, plants and microorganisms - their habitats and surrounding environments, and the variations between and within ecosystems.

Did you know that 2010 is the **International Year of Biodiversity**? Read our [nature conservation](#)

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 news@netregs.gov.uk to share your story.

[guidance](#) to find out more about what your business has to do to protect biodiversity.

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