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Delivering
Compliance to the
Waste Electrical and
Electronic
Equipment (WEEE)
Regulations

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B2B Compliance is an Approved Compliance Scheme for Producers obligated under the Waste Electrical & Electronic Equipment Regulations and is operated by GAMBICA B2B Compliance Ltd – a not-for-profit company and an initiative of GAMBICA - the national Trade Association representing the interests of companies in the instrumentation, control, automation and laboratory technology industry in the UK.

B2B Compliance, now the longest established and largest WEEE Compliance scheme of its kind, was developed following consultation with GAMBICA members and a 30 company Taskforce. GAMBICA continues to work with Orgalime (the European federation of major trade associations) to develop industry's position on WEEE legislation.

BACKGROUND TO THE LEGISLATION

The primary purpose of the WEEE Regulations is the prevention of waste electrical and electronic equipment (WEEE) and the re-use, recycling and recovery of such waste so as to reduce its disposal to landfill or incineration. For a full copy of the legislation please go to www.b2bcompliance.org.uk

The Regulations implement the 'Extended Producer Responsibility' requirements under the WEEE Directive. This means that Producers of EEE are encouraged to consider the environment during the initial stages of design and manufacture as well as being required to take responsibility for the impact on the environment when their products become waste.

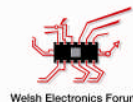
Key legal requirements placed upon producers:

- Register with an Approved Compliance Scheme, such as B2B Compliance
- Finance the costs of treatment and recycling of WEEE
- Label all EEE products
- Submit EEE data to the Environment Agency

B2B Compliance is approved for both household (B2C) and non-household (B2B) WEEE, however Producers should be aware that requirements under the legislation for those supplying to non-household end users ("B-to-B") are significantly different from those of Producers of household products ("B-to-C").

TRADE ASSOCIATION SUPPORT

B2B Compliance is supported by the following key Trade Associations; supporting both the ethos and strategy adopted by the Scheme:



As a Producer-led initiative from the electrical and electronic industry, B2B Compliance was created by Producers to protect Producers' interests in the WEEE compliance market place.

USEFUL CONTACTS

BIS www.bis.gov.uk

GAMBICA www.gambica.org.uk

DEFRA www.defra.gov.uk

EA www.environment-agency.gov.uk

SEPA www.sepa.org.uk

DOE www.doeni.gov.uk

B2B Compliance is ethical, well founded and equipped to meet Producers' needs for best value WEEE compliance.

MEETING YOUR COMPANY'S NEEDS UNDER THE UK WEEE REGULATIONS

Through our industry-led and not-for-profit approach B2B Compliance provides Producers with a professional, hassle-free solution to meeting their obligations. As well as delivering full compliance with the UK WEEE Regulations we provide expert advice and support on all WEEE issues ensuring that our Members receive an exceptional service.

JOIN B2B COMPLIANCE

B2B Compliance ensures **Legal Compliance** by:

- Taking on Members' legal obligations as assigned within the WEEE Regulations
- Registering Members with the Environment Agency and assisting with EEE data submissions via an easy to use online data registration site
- Interfacing with regulators and government departments

B2B Compliance provides **Support & Advice** through:

- Regular News Updates via a bi-monthly Bulletin
- Expert advice and support on all WEEE issues via a telephone and email helpline
- Up-to-date information and guidance via the Online Member Area
- Online Member Account for individual account tracking

B2B Compliance Operates **Ethically and Responsibly** - we:

- Liaise with the end user and provide full recycling services
- Run through an audit system to ensure that members only pay for WEEE that they are legally obligated to finance
- Ensure the collection, pre-treatment, and treatment of WEEE is ethical and efficient
- Pass the recycling costs on, at cost, with no mark up.

B2B Compliance **Protects its Members' Interests** by:

- Constantly and successfully lobbying for improvements and practical approaches
- Participating in advisory groups, industry working groups and procurement bodies in order to ensure appropriate consideration of Members' interests
- Directly represent our Members' interests to BERR, DEFRA and the regulatory authorities
- Providing strategic guidance to Members to protect Members' interests in the WEEE compliance market place and the waste and recycling marketplace
- Assisting Members to protect their interests in their marketplace by identifying strategies and areas of added value

"The experienced, industry focused experts at B2B Compliance have a straight talking, open and honest approach that helps simplify matters for their members. Not only are they able to offer expert guidance, they add value by providing in-depth insights into how compliance markets and environmental legislation works", Gary Nevison Head of Legislation at Premier Farnell.

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"B2B Compliance truly are a best-in-class, professional organization that Premier Farnell is happy to place its trust in".

For a list of Members and to find out why our Members are as committed to us as we are to them, please go to www.b2bcompliance.org.uk/b2b_members