

Quality, Health, Safety & Environmental Manual:

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UK Battery Compliance

Toyota Material Handling UK Ltd complies with the **Waste Batteries and Accumulators Regulations 2009** and the **Batteries and Accumulators (Placing on the Market) Regulations 2008**, which regulate the placing on the market, collection, treatment, and recycling of batteries in the UK.

Regulations

- 1.0 Make collection/take-back and recycling compulsory
- 1.1 Prohibit the disposal of batteries via landfill or incineration
- 1.2 As part of the **Producer Responsibilities (Batteries Placed on the Market)**, TMHUK registers all batteries placed onto market, including the chemistry of such batteries. These regulations require that all batteries placed on the market comply with all legislation and best practice including chemical content, substance restriction and labelling requirements.
- 1.3 TMHUK also undertakes its responsibilities under the **Mandatory Take-Back of Batteries We Have Placed on the Market** legislation. This states:
 - Under UK law, producers are responsible for ensuring the **collection, treatment, and recycling of any batteries they have placed on the UK market**. This duty includes a requirement to **finance and organise the take-back of waste batteries**.

Portable Batteries

- 2.0 If the organisation places **more than 1 tonne of portable batteries per year** on the market, we must join a **Battery Compliance Scheme (BCS)**, which carries out take-back, collection, and recycling on our behalf.

Automotive & Industrial Batteries

- 3.0 Producers must take back waste industrial and automotive batteries from end users regardless of the quantity sold, at no cost, and ensure they are sent for approved treatment and recycling.
- 3.1 It is the end users responsibility to return the batteries to TMHUK at their own cost, TMHUK will then cover the cost of the end of life processing.

This establishes the organisational obligation to accept back, without charge, any industrial or automotive batteries we originally supplied or placed on the market.

- 4.0 In line with UK law, TMHUK will never place any batteries into landfill or via incineration and ensure that only fully licenced and approved carriers and treatment facilities are used in the handling, transport and processing of these batteries.
- 4.1 All quantities of batteries placed onto and removed from the market are reported annually to the National Packaging Waste Database.

This document will be reviewed periodically to ensure alignment with any amendments to UK battery legislation.