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In connection with the implementation of the revised WEEE2 directive and the coming into effect of the amendments in Denmark, DPA-System submits information to the affected parties about the practical implications of the amendments.

Subject:

Registration, reporting and management of printer cartridges and ionising smoke detectors.

Recipients:

(English version): RENE AG, Stiftung EAR, and individual producers on request.



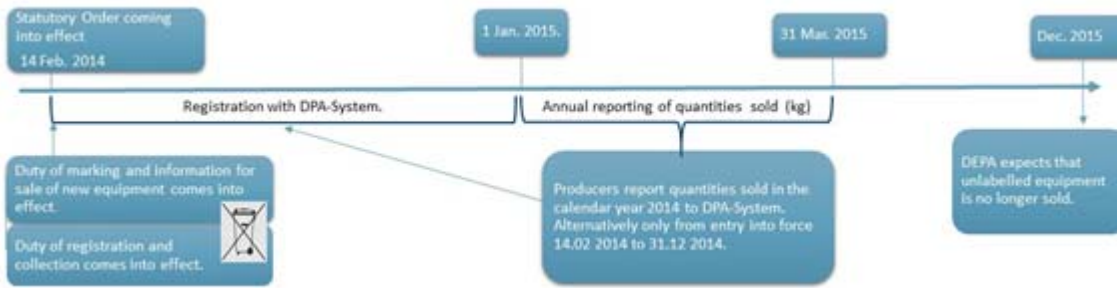
How are producers and importers affected?

The exemption for printer cartridges and smoke detectors containing radioactive sources has been repealed with the new Statutory Order. This means that producers and importers of this type of products are now covered by producer responsibility for electrical and electronic equipment.

Sale of new equipment

Businesses producing or importing such products are subject to a duty of registration and reporting to the national producer responsibility register. In addition, there is a duty of marking and information associated with new equipment and a take-back obligation for end-of-life products.

Questions have been raised as to when the different elements of the producer responsibility enter into force further to the implementation of the new Statutory Order. DPA-System has clarified these questions with the Danish Environmental Protection Agency. Below you can see how and when the amended regulations will take effect.



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From 14 feb2014 Marking	<p>Products must be marked with a crossed-out wheeled bin and be accompanied with a guideline for disposal in line with other equipment subject to producer responsibility for electrical and electronic equipment.</p> <p>Products in stock or on shelves not complying with the marking and information requirements can be sold until the end of 2015. The directive and the Commission's FAQ do not discuss products in stock. This guidance is based on a reply given by the Commission.</p>
From 14 feb2014 Registration	<p>Companies not already registered must register with the Danish register at DPA-System and select the relevant categories.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cat. 4: Consumer equipment ↔ Printer cartridges • Cat. 9: Monitoring and control instruments ↔ Smoke detectors
From 1 jan 2015 Reporting	<p>The first annual reporting of products sold must be made in the period 1 January - 31 March 2015, covering the period from the coming into effect to the end of the calendar year 2014.</p> <p>If it is not possible from the accounts to deduct quantities sold during the first six weeks of 2014 the report should cover the entire calendar year 2014.</p>

Collection of end-of-life equipment

Businesses subject to producer responsibility now also have a duty to take back and collect end-of-life equipment in line with other equipment subject to producer responsibility, including a duty to pick up equipment from municipal collection sites. The task of pickup from the municipal sites is normally solved with a membership of a collective scheme.

In practice this means that the collective schemes must pick up end-of-life printer cartridges and smoke detectors that the local authorities have collected since 14 February 2014.

Practical management

Under the Danish Waste Association and DPA-System recycling facilities, local authorities and the collective schemes have agreed to find a standardised approach to the practical collection of printer cartridges and ionising smoke detectors. In addition, discussions are ongoing with the National Institute of Radiation Protection to clarify requirements and future regulations.

However, it has been established that if the local authority already collects printer cartridges and smoke detectors separately, this service should be maintained since commingled collection of this type of products reduces the options for resource utilisation.

Further information:

Read about requirements for marking and registration on www.dpa.system.dk

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