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Notifying function on
www.producentansvar.dk

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DPA is short for Dansk Producentansvar (Danish Producer Responsibility). DPA oversees administrative tasks associated with the rules on producer responsibility under the Danish environmental law regarding waste from electrical and electronic equipment, end-of-life batteries and accumulators, and end-of-life vehicles.

The producer responsibility for these waste types has authority in the Danish Environmental Protection Act. This Act translates into three Statutory Orders for the different waste types: the WEEE Order, the Battery Order, and the End-of-life Vehicles Order (the current statutory texts can be found on www.producentansvar.dk).

The Danish Statutory Orders take offset in three EU directives for the same waste types: the so-called WEEE Directive, the Batteries Directive, and the ELV Directive. Also, these directives with exact titles and dates can be found on www.producentansvar.dk.

Producer responsibility rests on the principle that each producer or importer assumes responsibility for collection and management of WEEE, waste batteries, and end-of-life vehicles to the effect that products becoming waste are managed in an environmentally correct manner, with the highest possible utilisation of resources contained in such products.

Producers and importers are in the following referred to as producers as the rules applying to both types are the same.

In general, the following abbreviations are used: WEEE for waste electrical and electronic equipment, BAT for batteries and accumulators, and ELV for end-of-life vehicles.

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Background and purpose

The Danish legislation on producer responsibility requires that producers are registered in a national register to be allowed to sell the affected products on the Danish market. Businesses selling such products without being registered are called free-riders; they escape their obligations while other businesses contribute to the producer responsibility scheme.

To overcome this distortion of competition, it is of common interest to combat free-riders. In view of this, DPA receives information from third parties about businesses that should have registered, but have failed to do so. Thus, a so-called notification function has been established on the DPA website. With this function, law-abiding companies can notify about businesses failing to comply with legislation.

Seek out approved businesses

One of the purposes of a national register is to have a search function allowing anyone to seek out businesses approved for selling electronics, batteries and vehicles in Denmark.

[Go to search function](#)

Generally, the notification scheme is a function for anyone, who wish to inform the relevant authorities about unlawful acts or other inexpedient issues under the producer responsibility system - a system that comprises scrapping of cars in addition to the management of electronics and batteries. Thus, the notification function can be used to report other issues than free-riders. All information is submitted to the environmental authority.

In this case, the authority is the Danish Environmental Protection Agency.

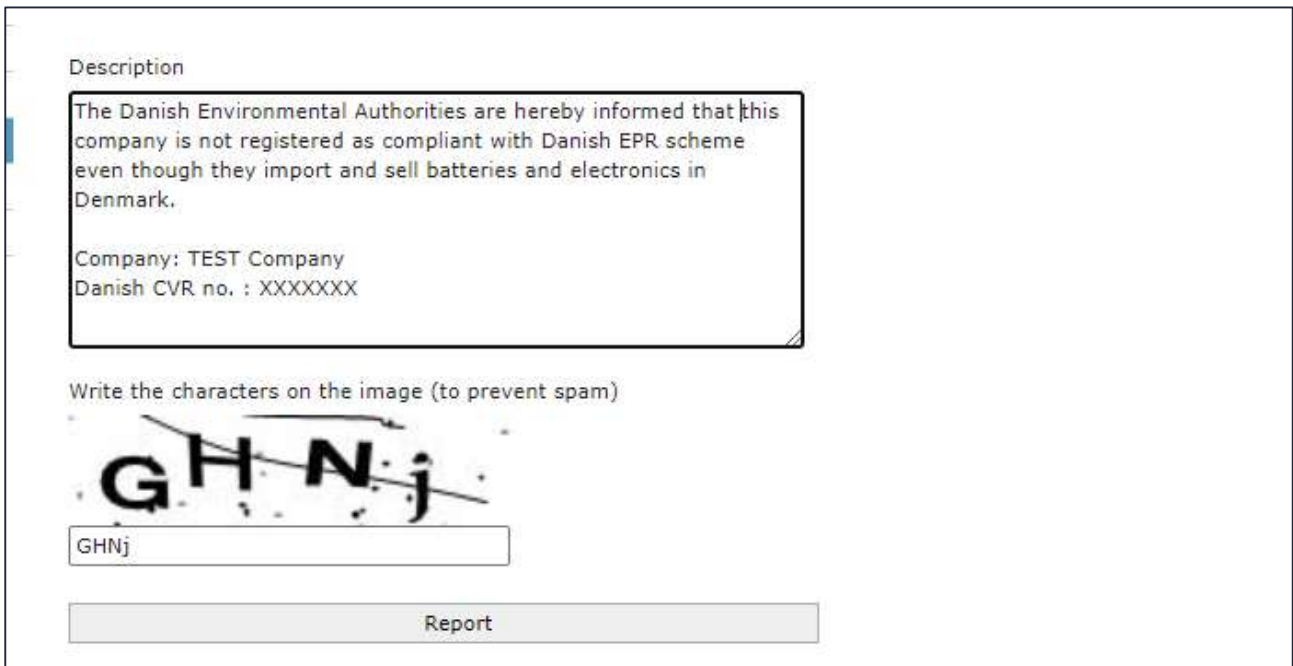
How to notify

To start your notification, go to the website www.producentansvar.dk. The function is available in both Danish and English.

The screenshot displays the DPA website interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with a back arrow and the text "Frontpage". The main heading reads "Notify on www.producentansvar.dk". Below this, a paragraph explains the notification process: "If you know about businesses that do not comply with their producer responsibility: illegal or irresponsible management of end-of-life electronics, batteries, or vehicles; unethical matters, etc., you can notify anonymously the supervisory authority - the Danish Environmental Protection Agency - about such issues by sending a message with the below function." Two buttons are present: a yellow button labeled "Notify anonymously here" and a grey button labeled "> Read about the function".

The footer section contains the DPA logo (DANSK PRODUCENT ANSVAR) and contact details: "Dansk Producentansvar (DPA), Vesterbrogade 6D, 4th floor, DK-1620 Copenhagen V, Denmark", "CVR: 29028842", and "EAN: 5780002305924". A red arrow points to the "> Contact us" link. To the right, a text block states: "DPA is an independent not-for-profit organisation established under the Danish Environmental Protection Act with the purpose to administer the national register and Danish legislation on producer responsibility. DPA collects, treats, and disseminates data and knowledge to all players involved in the circular economy." At the bottom, there are links for "> Notify", "> Cookie policy", "> Privacy Policy", and "> Accessibility statement".

Describe the subject of notification and fill in a captcha field (thus avoiding spam) whereafter the text is sent. The below figure shows the function on the website.



Description

The Danish Environmental Authorities are hereby informed that this company is not registered as compliant with Danish EPR scheme even though they import and sell batteries and electronics in Denmark.

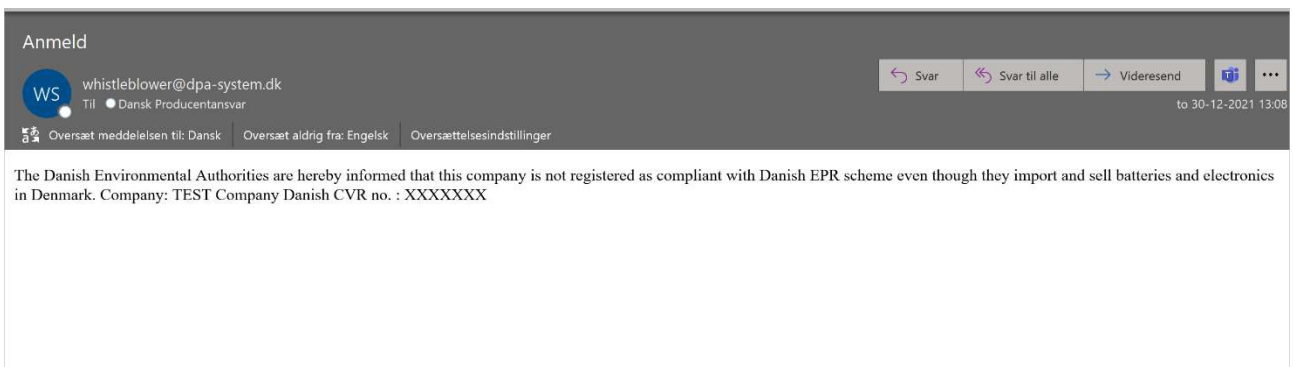
Company: TEST Company
Danish CVR no. : XXXXXXX

Write the characters on the image (to prevent spam)

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Report

A mail is sent in an encrypted connection to the DPA mailbox where the note is placed automatically in a special authority file. In the sender field, it will only appear that the mail comes from anmeld@DPA.dk, so the notifier is completely anonymous. See the following example.



Handling of notifications

According to directions from the Danish Environmental Protection Agency, DPA submits notifications to the authority (the Danish Environmental Protection Agency) monthly or when more than 10 mails have been received. Depending on the type of notification, the Danish Environmental Protection Agency assesses the notification after which supervisory measures are taken as needed.

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