

# Approaches to Waste Regulation in Scotland

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# Key Values

- Protect and enhance the env. and human health
- Waste to resource management
- Risk based and proportionate
- Innovative and Ambitious
- Solutions orientated
- Inclusive

# Better Waste Regulation Action Programme

- Eliminate outdated or unnecessary provisions in legislation;
- Consolidate, streamline or merge regulatory regimes where possible;
- Base regulatory permitting, inspection and enforcement on sound risk principles;
- Ensure where companies break the law that enforcement can be swift and effective;
- Minimise the administrative burdens on companies and regulators wherever possible;
- Empower regulators to enforce regulations in a fair, consistent and proportionate manner;
- Promote best practice and advice to regulated companies wherever possible.

# Revised Waste Framework Directive

- Simplification by repealing the current Waste Framework Directive, Hazardous Waste Directive and part of the Waste Oils Directive;
- Waste management plans by December 2010
- Waste prevention plans by December 2013
- 5 step waste hierarchy (prevention, reuse, recycling, recovery (including energy recovery), and disposal);
- 50% target for household recycling and re-use by 2020;
- 70% target for non-hazardous construction and demolition waste recycling and reuse by 2020;
- Retains the discard test for determining whether a substance or object is waste but introduces new Articles on “By-Products” and “End of Waste”.

# Zero Waste

*“Zero Waste means reducing the unnecessary use of raw materials; re-using products where possible and recovering value from products when they reach the end of their lives either through recycling, composting or energy recovery.”*

# Waste to Resource Toolkit

- End of Waste Criteria
- By-Products
- Product Protocols
- SEPA/Industry Guidance
- Enforcement/Regulatory Positions
- Simpler Regulation

Thanks and any questions