

WASTE POLICIES AND LAWS

HAZARDOUS WASTE

Waste is hazardous when it contains substances or has properties that might make it harmful to human health or the environment.



Hazardous waste is defined in the Hazardous Waste List which is incorporated in the European Waste Catalogue [link](#)

Typical hazardous wastes include organic sludges (human and animal), contaminated soils, infectious clinical / surgical wastes, heavy metals, and industrial wastes

New regulations came into force on 16th July 2005; failure to comply with the regulatory requirements to dispose of hazardous waste is a criminal offence.

For further information on hazardous waste visit

www.environment-agency.gov.uk

