

WEEE Compliance

Collection and Recycling arrangements in the UK



Under the UK Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment (WEEE) Regulations, for old equipment that you have bought before August 2005 which is being replaced on a one-for-one, like-for-like basis by the purchase of new Black Box equipment, Black Box is required to provide arrangements for the collection, treatment, recycling and recovery of the old equipment. The old equipment that your new purchase from Black Box replaces is referred to as Historic WEEE.

Under the UK WEEE Regulations, Black Box is also required to provide arrangements for the collection, treatment, recycling and recovery of any new electrical and electronic equipment that you buy from Black Box after August 2005, when that new equipment eventually becomes waste. This is referred to as New WEEE.

Black Box products are very competitively priced. Any new increase in operating costs for manufacturers such as Black Box is normally reflected in a price increase in the product. However, instead of increasing the prices of our products Black Box has decided to share these new environmental costs directly with our customers. We believe in being transparent with you on any new environmental costs that our products need to address.

Our approach to sharing these new environmental costs are:

* You pay for transportation of your WEEE to Black Box's appointed recycler in the UK.

* Black Box pays for the costs of treatment, recycling and recovery of the WEEE to meet the targets set by the UK WEEE Regulations.

* Black Box pays for the costs of data management and reporting to the Environment Agency to demonstrate compliance with all administrative requirements of the UK WEEE Regulations.

Black Box has established a recycling contract with the European Advanced Recycling Network (EARN) and will cover any costs of treatment, recycling and recovery of the equipment on arrival at the EARN facility in the UK. All Historic and New WEEE that arises from the purchase of Black Box products is classed as non-hazardous waste**

***Black Box customers sending equipment for recycling are advised that you MUST remove all batteries PRIOR to collection to avoid the equipment being classed as hazardous waste.*

It is your responsibility to arrange and pay for costs of collection and transportation to EARN. In order to meet UK Duty of Care Regulations for waste disposal, you should use one of the following carriers (which hold a valid Waste Carriers License):

Waste Carrier Name	Telephone Number	Website
TNT UK Ltd	+44 (0) 800 100 600	www.tnt.co.uk
DHL Express (UK) Ltd	+44 (0) 844 248 0555	www.dhl.co.uk
Kuehne and Nagel Ltd	+44 (0) 1895 552 000	www.kn-portal.com

WEEE Reporting Recycling Data for Black Box equipment in the United Kingdom

Under Section 29 of the proposed WEEE Regulations, Black Box dealers must provide annual information of the quantities and categories of electrical and electronic equipment put on the market, reused, recycled and recovered within the UK.