

SPECIAL WASTE REGULATIONS 1996 SPECIAL WASTE ADVISORY NOTE

EXTENDED CARRIER'S ROUNDS

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Background

The Special Waste Regulations 1996 in Regulation 14(2) provide for a series of movements of special waste on carrier's rounds over 7 days where a fee is payable only for the first round. The conditions that apply to 'extended' carrier's rounds are outlined here.

Guidance

Definition of a Round

A 'carrier's round' is a collection of waste over more than one pick up, by one carrier on a single journey. A round ends at the site where the waste is disposed or recovered, or is broken if the vehicle returns to a central collection point before resuming another journey. The carrier must transport all consignments collected to the same consignee specified in the consignment note.

Consignment Procedure

A normal carrier's round should be completed within 24 hours. There are circumstances where collections can be extended over a 7 day period. If there is a series, or succession of such rounds, the first round must be pre-notified to SEPA with 72 hours notice on a **SA** note. Any subsequent rounds within the week are consigned on **SC** notes free of charge.

The requirements that must be met for extended carrier's rounds are:

- No more than one consignment can be collected from any consignor during a succession, i.e. a carrier cannot return the same pick-up more than once in the week, otherwise a fee is payable
- The final consignment on a round must have been delivered within one week of the first collection on that, or any other round
- No more than one round (one set of consignment notes) can be collected on any one same vehicle
- The weight of waste collected on any round (i.e. including the first) shall not exceed 400kg;

If the vehicle sets down or returns to its base mid-round, it has in effect completed its run and any further movement will require either a new SA or SC note. If the next destination is to the final consignee then a new **SA** notes will be required, if the run is to be resumed as normal a new **SC** note will be required.

Annual Successions

If a weekly succession of rounds is repeated over a year, SEPA will accept just one pre-notification for the whole succession. However, the first round of each week must still use a **SA** note as Regulation 14(2)(a) clearly refers to weekly successions.

In line with Regulation 8(1), a separate schedule of all the pick-ups is required, as consignors should sign for each collection. SEPA will accept one list with each pre-notification. In the case of movements of batteries on **SB** notes (which don't need pre-notifying) SEPA will accept one carrier's schedule per 12 month period of Regulation 14(2) rounds.

Where there are additional consignors on a round, SEPA will require (in the case of pre-notified rounds) 72 hours notice of these new collections being made and an amended schedule to be supplied.

Cross Border Movements

Collections on carrier's rounds can only be made within Scotland, although the round can be delivered to any waste management site. Regulation 8(1)(b) refers to consignor's premises within the same Agency area, therefore rounds which collect both sides of the border are not allowed.