

ENVIRONMENTAL & RECYCLING POLICY STATEMENT

Directa UK Ltd is aware of its responsibilities to the environment.

We are committed to ensure that the minimum risk to the environment is achieved by all our activities, and those activities include storage, manufacturing and distribution. Waste disposal is carried out by Green Recycling Ltd., with up to 98% now being recycled.

All packaging used complies with "Packaging and Waste regulations 1997" and WEEE directives.

What is WEEE?

The Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment (WEEE) directive requires countries to maximise separate collection and environmentally friendly processing of these items. In the UK, distributors (including retailers) must provide a system which allows all customers buying new equipment, the opportunity to recycle their old items free of charge. Those establishing their own take-back scheme must as a minimum, offer all customers buying new electrical equipment free take-back of their old electricals electrical on a like-for-like basis.

Many electrical items can be repaired or recycled, saving natural resources and the environment. If you do not recycle the electrical equipment will end up in landfill where hazardous substances will leak out and cause soil and water contamination – harming wildlife and human health.

Find more information on WEEE recycling, and locate your local recycling centre at: <u>www.recyclenow.com</u>

Under the Waste Batteries and Accumulators Regulations, Directa UK Ltd are now offering a take-back scheme for all portable batteries. You can return your waste batteries to our business premises in person. - Please note, they must not be posted.

Alternatively, you can find your local waste portable battery recycling facility at: <u>www.recolight.co.uk</u>

In addition, we offer a free take-back on your old electronic equipment (EEE). This is done on a like-for-like basis. So, when you purchase a new electrical item, you can return your old item to us within 28 days for recycling.

The offer of take-back is for consumers only and customers are responsible for the return.

We remind you that old electrical equipment can be recycled, it is now marked with a crossed out wheeled bin symbol. Please do not throw any electrical equipment (including those marked with the crossed out wheeled bin symbol) in your bin.

Our Procurement department will endeavour to purchase recycled materials and always observe Government Legislation on environmental issues.

All employees will be encouraged to reduce waste and make the best possible use of resources available.

M. V. Storey Managing Director.