## Simpler Recycling & Food Waste Collections Non-Domestic Premises

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Implementation, Extensions and Classifications

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## Agenda & Discussion Items

- 1. New Regulations & Changes to Waste Categories V's The Separation of Waste Regulations 2024, Sct 2.
- 2. The Environment Act 2021 (Commencement No.9 & Transition Provisions) Regulations 2024
- 3. The Puzzle:
  - 1. Schedule 1 premises with 10 or more employees, what actually applies?
  - 2. Local authority extensions for the 2026 regulations and impact for schedule 1 premises?
  - 3. Are there penalties for LA's to go earlier than the extensions granted?
  - 4. What is the impact of 'Competition Rules' where the regulations are silent?



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### New Regulations & Changes to Waste Categories.

In drafting the new regulations DEFRA/Government altered the categories slightly differently than the current Schedule 1 wastes, what would have been better is if they'd have replaced the EPA altogether, but what we've wound up with is a bit patchy and complicated, our understanding / interpretation is as follows:

The new Section 45AZA of the EPA defines non domestic premises as;	The new The Separation of Waste (England) Regulations 2024 – Section 2 adds the following to non domestic premises;
(a)a residential home;	(a)a place of worship;
(b)premises forming part of a university or school or other educational establishment;	(b)a penal institution;
(c)premises forming part of a hospital or nursing home;	(c)a charity shop selling donated goods originating from domestic premises;
(d)premises of a description specified in regulations made by the Secretary of State.	(d)a residential hostel which provides accommodation only to persons with no other permanent address or who are unable to live at their permanent address; and
	(e)premises used wholly or mainly for public meetings.

# The Environment Act 2021 (Commencement No.9 & Transition Provisions) Regulations 2024

The Environment Act 2021 (Commencement No.9 and Transitional Provisions) Regulations 2024, bring all the premises identified above in line with your timescales for Household Waste.

So effectively; what does this mean for waste collection and disposal authorities in England?



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## The Puzzle

**Question 1** 

Does this mean:

All the identified premise types, Schools, public building (including all Council buildings) Charities, all the listed in the Reg's as organisations, who have 10 or more employees need to comply by April 2026 for separation of the waste and recycling including glass and food waste and not comply with the section of the regulations that talks about Organisations with 10 or more employees that have to comply by April 2025?



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## The Puzzle Cont

#### **Question 2**

And that where local authorities have extensions to the compliance with the 2026 date, say until 2027 or in some cases 2040, that those premises identified in commence No. 9 above, also have the same exemptions?



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## The Puzzle Cont

#### **Question 3**

Although the exemptions exist for local authorities, who applied at the time for market reasons, what are the penalties or incentives to go earlier for the above waste/property types? And should waste collection authorities consider this and in what circumstances?



# Finally

If the answer is yes to 1&2 above, then is there a consideration of 'competition rules' that needs to be addressed through the regulations?

Some of the identified premises, are currently serviced by private waste companies and may run the risk of being unfairly treated, with the potential loss of existing business?

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What of the impact upon different charity organisations, dependent on where they are located in England, Scotland and Wales?

For example, Prohibition CA98 rule on effecting competition between independent businesses?



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# Summary

• What Next?



