



Latest Updates for the CCS

- [CQP Revision Update](#)
- [Compostables Paper Published](#)
- [Plastic Contamination Paper Published](#)

CQP Revision Update

The Task and Finish Group held their first meetings on the 5th of September. The scope of the revision and evidence available to date were considered, with the focus on risk assessment. The group met again on the 7th of November, in which the timeline for this work was discussed in further detail. Further meetings will be arranged in due course to discuss specific subjects and in smaller focus groups.

REAL shared the recently published report on plastic contamination in compost and digestate with the members of the Task and Finish Group. The research will be considered when discussing plastic limits in the future end of waste framework. (See more information on paper below).

Compostables Paper Published

Last month, REAL published the paper "Composting compostables in the UK: Capacity for the composting of certified industrially compostable materials at certified industrial composting facilities in the UK." This paper has been produced to share data collected through CCS to date (as of September 2022), presenting a picture on the number of industrial composting processes in the UK that are both certified by CCS and accept independently certified compostable materials.

The paper shows that there are 24 CCS certified sites in the UK which confirmed they accept and feed compostables into their process. The paper further breaks this down by country and the type of compostables accepted. This paper can be read on the CCS website [here](#).

Plastic Contamination Paper Published

In addition, REAL have published a paper sharing recent data on plastic contamination in compost and digestate independently certified to end-of-waste criteria in England.

The paper presents that the plastic failure rate of samples sent for routine testing and retests, by certified operators, was 1.5% for compost and 1.9% for digestate. This covers all samples tested between 1st January 2021 and 30th June 2022. REAL considers this brings confidence that there is minimal plastic applied to land, or in the case of compost only, used for horticultural purposes.

The paper can be accessed [here](#).

Not interested in updates? [Unsubscribe](#).

Please [contact us](#) if any of your contact details have changed. You can read our privacy policy [here](#).

Follow us on Twitter [@CcsProducers](#) and [@CompostCert](#)

Compost Certification Scheme is part of Renewable Energy Assurance Limited.
Compost Certification Scheme, Brettenham House, 2-19 Lancaster Place, London WC2E 7EN
Registered in England and Wales / Company Number 05720606