

Guidance for CCS and BCS Participants to Understand each UK Nation’s EoW Positions and Requirements

This guidance will help compost producers and AD operators from across the UK understand which End-of-Waste positions they must comply with when producing certified compost and digestate.

Introduction

This guidance will outline the individual End-of-Waste positions for each UK nation to ensure that Scheme participants, no matter which country they operate in, continue to comply with the right requirements for producing certified compost and digestate.

England

The Environment Agency (EA) replaced the previously enforced Compost and AD Quality Protocols with the Interim Compost and Anaerobic Digestate Resource Frameworks (CRF and ADRF) for both waste derived compost and anaerobic digestate. These Frameworks were published alongside two Regulatory Position Statements (RPSs), one that provides Scheme participants two years to comply with the new tightened plastic limits and one to provide Scheme participants a 12-month ‘exemption’ period to get any environmental permits in place for their storage areas/infrastructure. You can find both Resource Frameworks and RPSs here:

- [Compost from waste: resource framework - GOV.UK](#)
- [Anaerobic digestate: resource framework - GOV.UK](#)
- [Using PAS 100 or PAS 110 compliant material outside resource frameworks: RPS 317 - GOV.UK](#) (expires 20th October 2027)
- [Storing PAS 100 or PAS 110 compliant material at site of production: RPS 358 - GOV.UK](#) (expires 20th October 2026)

Scheme participants in England must comply with the relevant Resource Framework, PAS and Scheme Rules, ensuring they are complying with any specific ‘EoW England’ requirements. It is important for English Scheme participants to regularly check all three documents to ensure they are up to date with any changes or updates.

The table below outlines the requirements for Scheme participants supplying to English markets:

CCS Producers	Compost Resource Framework	PAS 100	CCS Scheme Rules
BCS Operators	AD Resource Framework	PAS 110	BCS Scheme Rules

Scotland

The Scottish Environment Protection Agency (SEPA) has published updated guidance on its End-of-Waste positions for compost and digestate. The revised positions set out updated criteria for determining when compost and digestate achieve End-of-Waste status, along with an updated list of acceptable waste inputs. Compost producers and anaerobic digestion (AD) operators in Scotland who produce certified compost and digestate must comply with these new requirements, which can be found here:

- [WAS-G-DEF-06: End of Waste criteria for compost](#) (WAS-G-DEF-06)
- [WAS-G-DEF-07: End of Waste criteria for digestate](#) (WAS-G-DEF-07)

Scheme participants operating in Scotland must comply with the relevant SEPA EoW position above, PAS and Scheme Rules, ensuring they are complying with any SEPA specific requirements. It is important for Scottish Scheme participants to regularly check all three documents to ensure they are up to date with any changes or updates.

The table below outlines the requirements for Scheme participants supplying to Scottish markets:

CCS Producers	WAS-G-DEF-06	PAS 100	CCS Scheme Rules
BCS Operators	WAS-G-DEF-07	PAS 110	BCS Scheme Rules

Wales

Certified compost producers and AD operators in Wales must comply with the relevant NRW End of Waste position for compost and digestate. These positions were also published alongside Regulatory Statement 122 (RS 122), which provides Scheme participants 12 months to comply with the new tightened plastic limit/s. Linked below are the two End-of-Waste positions and RSS 122:

- [GN022: End of Waste compost produced from source-segregated biodegradable waste](#)
- [GN023: End of Waste Anaerobic Digestate produced from anaerobic digestion of source-segregated biodegradable waste](#)
- [Regulatory Statement 122: Implementation of additional plastics limits to PAS100/PAS110 materials](#) (expires December 2026)

Scheme participants operating in Wales must comply with the relevant Quality Protocol, PAS and Scheme Rules, ensuring they are complying with any specific Welsh EoW requirements. It is important for Welsh Scheme participants to regularly check all three documents to ensure they are up to date with any changes or updates.

The table below outlines the requirements for Scheme participants supplying to Welsh markets:

CCS Producers	GN022	PAS 100	CCS Scheme Rules
BCS Operators	GN023	PAS 110	BCS Scheme Rules

Northern Ireland

Certified Northern Irish compost producers and AD operators must remain compliant with either the Compost Quality Protocol or the AD Quality Protocol. They are linked below:

- [Compost Quality Protocol](#)
- [AD Quality Protocol](#)

Scheme participants operating in Northern Ireland (and the Republic of Ireland if supplying to Northern Ireland) must comply with the relevant Quality Protocol, PAS and Scheme Rules. Regarding the Scheme Rules, compost producers and AD operators in Northern Ireland must ensure they are complying with any specific Northern Irish EoW requirements. It is important for Northern Irish Scheme participants to regularly check all three documents to ensure they are up to date with any changes or updates.

The table below outlines the requirements for Scheme participants supplying to markets in Northern Ireland:

CCS Producers	Compost Quality Protocol	PAS 100	CCS Scheme Rules
BCS Operators	AD Quality Protocol	PAS 110	BCS Scheme Rules