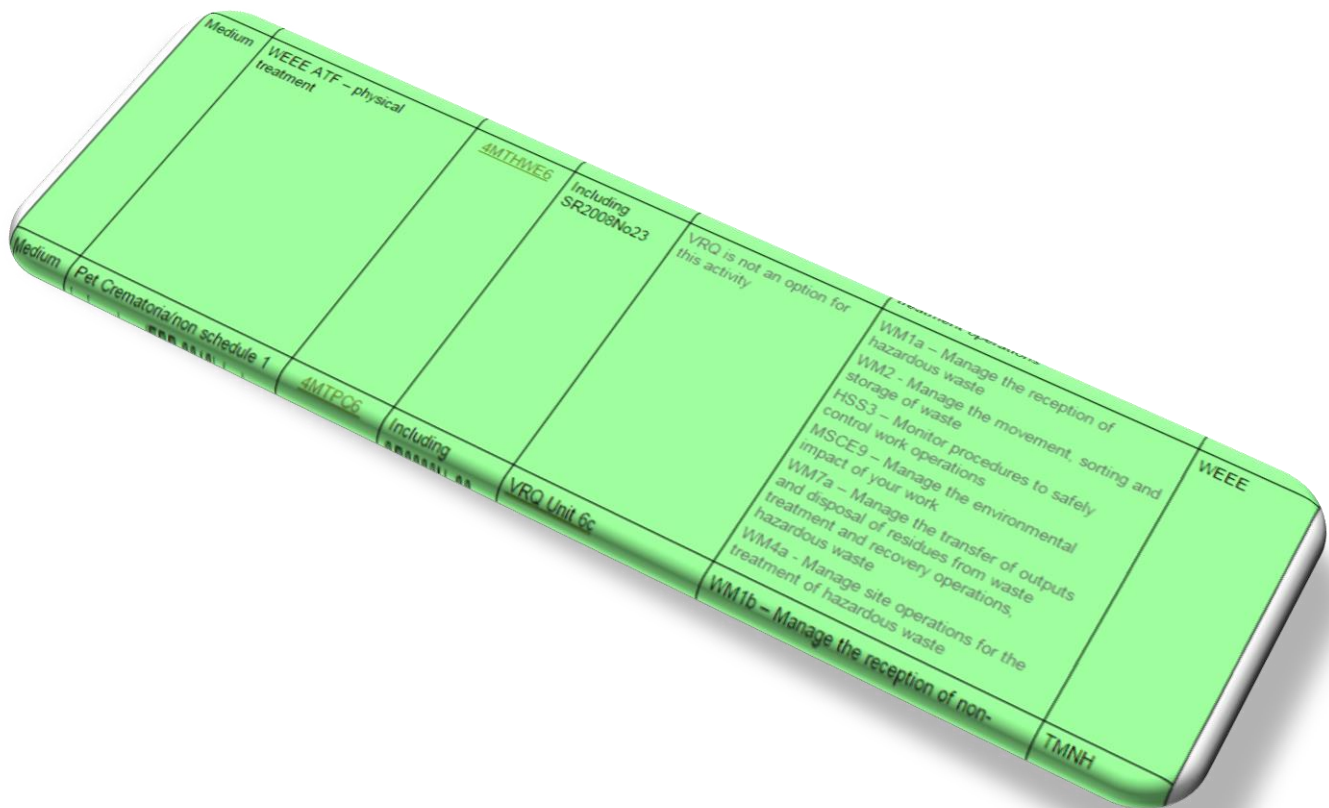


# CIWM/WAMITAB Continuing Competence



## Waste Electrical & Electronic Equipment

Revision Summary

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## Introduction

### About WAMITAB

WAMITAB is an awarding organisation and charity that develops qualifications for those working in cleaning; street cleansing; facilities management; resource management and recycling and parking from operative through to management level.

Since it was formed in 1989, WAMITAB has evolved in line with the convergence between the sectors with a clear focus on promoting and supporting environmental sustainability. With over 120 qualification pathways and 70 quality assured centres, WAMITAB offers an unrivalled specialist network to support staff development.

### What is Continuing Competence?

The CIWM/WAMITAB continuing competence scheme is designed to ensure that the technically competent person (holds a certificate of technical competence, units or a qualification that is part of the CIWM/WAMITAB Operator Competence Scheme) on a waste site has knowledge and skills that keep pace with changes made across the waste management industry, such as the introduction of new legislation, technologies and techniques.

The CIWM/WAMITAB continuing competence scheme requires technically competent people in England and Wales to pass an assessment that demonstrates individuals have kept their competence up to date.

Keeping competence up to date is becoming increasingly important across the UK as society starts to recognise the crucial role that waste and resource management industry professionals play in ensuring that the 434 million tonnes of waste generated every year can be treated, reused and recycled to produce a product that will contribute to further economic growth.

### About this Revision Summary

WAMITAB recognise the diverse needs of learners within the sectors we represent. To support those individuals undertaking their Continuing Competence test, we have developed this revision summary.

This revision summary is designed to support you preparation by linking the learning outcomes with the areas that may come up during the Continuing Competence test.

# 1. Site Infrastructure



## Learning Outcomes

- 1.1 Know the storage requirements for WEEE prior to treatment.
- 1.2 Know the technical requirements for sites undertaking WEEE treatment operations.
- 1.3 Know the characteristics of impermeable surfaces used in WEEE treatment facilities.
- 1.4 Know the circumstances in which weatherproof coverings are used by WEEE treatment facilities.



### Where do I find this information?

- [Defra - Guidance on Best Available Treatment Recovery and Recycling Techniques \(BATRRT\) and treatment of Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment \(WEEE\)](#)

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## 2. Managing Fluids in WEEE Materials



### Learning Outcomes

2.1 Know the requirements for treating and storing WEEE materials that contain fluids.



### Where do I find this information?

- [Defra - Guidance on Best Available Treatment Recovery and Recycling Techniques \(BATRRT\) and treatment of Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment \(WEEE\)](#)

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## 3. Handling Hazardous WEEE



### Learning Outcomes

- 3.1 Know the WEEE components classified as hazardous waste.
- 3.2 Know the consignment procedures for hazardous WEEE.

### Where do I find this information?



- [GOV.UK - Classify Different Types of Waste](#)
- [NRW - How to classify and assess waste](#)
- [Environment Agency Guidance - HWR05: Record Keeping](#)
- [GOV.UK - Hazardous Waste](#)
- [GOV.UK - WM3 v1.1 Technical Guidance and List of Wastes](#)

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## 4. WEEE Treatment



### Learning Outcomes

- 4.1 Know the items that must be removed from WEEE during treatment.
- 4.2 Know the items that must be safely removed as whole items from any separately collected WEEE.
- 4.3 Know the requirements for weighing WEEE prior to and after treatment.
- 4.4 Know good practice for maximising the quality of WEEE derived materials.
- 4.5 Know good practice for identifying and removing contaminated/non-conforming wastes from WEEE.
- 4.6 Know the requirements for disposal of waste containing persistent organic pollutants (POPs), such as flame retardant plastic.



### Where do I find this information?

- [Defra - Guidance on Best Available Treatment Recovery and Recycling Techniques \(BATRRRT\) and treatment of Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment \(WEEE\)](#)
- [BIS - WEEE Regulations 2013: Government Guidance Notes \(March 2014\)](#)
- [WRAP – 6.0 Treatment of WEEE](#)
- [GOV.UK - Dispose of waste containing persistent organic pollutants \(POPs\)](#)
- [NRW - Permits and permissions WEEE](#)

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## 5. WEEE Items for Reuse



### Learning Outcomes

- 5.1 Know the items which can be separated for reuse.
- 5.2 Know the quality standards for the reuse of WEEE.
- 5.3 Know good practice for the disassembly and storage of WEEE to increase potential for reuse.
- 5.4 Know good practice for testing WEEE items for reuse.



### Where do I find this information?

- [Environment Agency - WEEE: reuse and treatment](#)
- [WRAP - The benefits of PAS 141](#)
- [WRAP - Treatment for Reuse](#)

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## 6. Exporting WEEE



### Learning Outcomes

- 6.1 Know the circumstances where approval for exporting obligated WEEE is required.
- 6.2 Know the permits, approvals and information required to export WEEE.
- 6.3 Know legislation and regulations applicable to exporting WEEE.



### Where do I find this information?

- [GOV.UK - Guidance on WEEE exporting](#)
- [NRW - Permits and permissions WEEE](#)

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## 7. Handling WEEE Safely



### Learning Outcomes

7.1 Know the hazards associated with handling hazardous WEEE items.



### Where do I find this information?

- [Health and Safety Executive - Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment \(WEEE\) recycling](#)

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