



Environmental Protection Act 1990

1990 CHAPTER 43

PART II

WASTE ON LAND

Collection, disposal or treatment of controlled waste

56 Powers for recycling waste: Scotland.

- (1) Without prejudice to the powers of waste disposal authorities apart from this section, a waste disposal authority may—
- (a) do such things as the authority considers appropriate for the purpose of—
 - (i) enabling waste belonging to the authority, or belonging to another person who requests the authority to deal with it under this section, to be recycled; or
 - (ii) enabling waste to be used for the purpose of producing from it heat or electricity or both;
 - (b) buy or otherwise acquire waste with a view to its being recycled;
 - (c) use, sell or otherwise dispose of waste belonging to the authority or anything produced from such waste.
- (2) This section applies to Scotland only.

Commencement Information

II S. 56 wholly in force at 1.4.1992 see s. 164(3) and [S.I. 1992/266, art. 3](#).

Changes to legislation:

Environmental Protection Act 1990, Section 56 is up to date with all changes known to be in force on or before 24 April 2024. There are changes that may be brought into force at a future date. Changes that have been made appear in the content and are referenced with annotations.

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Changes and effects yet to be applied to the whole Act associated Parts and Chapters:

Whole provisions yet to be inserted into this Act (including any effects on those provisions):

- s. 30(4A) inserted by [2021 c. 30 s. 57\(2\)](#)
- s. 33ZB(10A) inserted by [2021 c. 30 s. 69\(3\)\(b\)](#)
- s. 34ZB(8A) inserted by [2021 c. 30 s. 69\(5\)\(b\)](#)
- s. 45A-45AZG substituted for s. 45A by [2021 c. 30 s. 57\(4\)](#)
- s. 46(2)(a)(b) substituted for words by [2021 c. 30 s. 57\(5\)](#)
- s. 106A inserted by [2023 c. 6 s. 41\(2\)](#)
- s. 161(2AA)(2AB) inserted by [2016 anaw 3 s. 69\(4\)](#)