

## Glossary

<b>Acute Trust</b>	Constituent parts of the <b>NHS</b> which manage hospitals.
<b>ADR</b>	European Agreement concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Road 2003.
<b>AT</b>	Alternative technology.
<b>Autoclave</b>	The industrial plant in which waste is treated by heating to over 100°C under high pressure.
<b>Autoclaving</b>	The process of treating waste using pressurized steam heated to over 100°C.
<b>Carriage Regulations</b>	The Carriage of Dangerous Goods and Use of Transportable Pressure Equipment Regulation (SI 2004 No 568 (as amended)).
<b>Clinical waste</b>	Defined in the Controlled Waste Regulations, (SI 1992 No 588) as: (a) any waste which consists wholly or partly of human or animal tissue, blood or other body fluids, excretions, drugs or other pharmaceutical products, swabs or dressings, or syringes, needles or other sharp instruments, being waste which unless rendered safe may prove hazardous to any person coming into contact with it; and (b) any other waste arising from medical, nursing, dental, veterinary, pharmaceutical or similar practice, investigation, treatment, care, teaching or research, or the collection of blood for transfusion, being waste which may cause infection to any person coming into contact with it. ie broadly, clinical waste is medically-related waste which, if not rendered safe, may prove hazardous or infectious to any person coming into contact with it.
<b>Collaborative Procurement Hubs</b>	Bodies set up to manage procurement on behalf of the <b>NHS</b> within the geographical limits of the 10 Strategic Health Authorities' boundaries.
<b>Cytostatic medicine and cytotoxic medicine</b>	Any medical product that exhibits one or more of certain hazardous properties, such as toxic and carcinogenic. Includes drugs from a number of medicinal classes.
<b>Cytostatic waste and cytotoxic waste</b>	Category of <b>clinical waste</b> containing or contaminated with a cytotoxic or cytostatic medicine; must be incinerated at 1,000°C.
<b>DEFRA</b>	Department of the Environment, Food and Rural Affairs.
<b>DoH</b>	Department of Health.
<b>DTB</b>	Difficult to Burn.
<b>EA</b>	Environment Agency.

<b>EHS</b>	The Environment and Heritage Service; advises on and implements environmental policy and strategy in Northern Ireland.
<b>EPA</b>	Environment Protection Act 1990.
<b>EWC</b>	European Waste Catalogue which classifies waste materials and categorizes them according to what they are and how they were produced. The EWC is referred to in a number of EU Directives.
<b>HASS Regulations</b>	High Activity Sealed Radioactive Sources and Orphan Sources Regulations 2005 (SI 2005 No 2686) which are aimed at preventing the exposure of workers and members of the public to inadequate control of high activity sealed sources (HASS), and ensuring the security of HASS and other sealed sources (which present a similar potential hazard) on civil non-nuclear sites.
<b>Hazardous waste</b>	<i>Defined in this report as</i> waste that requires treatment before disposal; more generally waste that exhibits one or more of the hazardous properties listed in the EU <b>Hazardous Waste Directive</b> .
<b>Hazardous Waste Directive</b>	EU Council Directive 91/689/EEC of 12 December 1991 on Hazardous Waste which contains provisions on the controlled management of hazardous waste.
<b>Hazardous Waste Regulations</b>	Hazardous Waste (England and Wales) Regulations 2005 (SI 2005 No 894) which implement the <b>Hazardous Waste Directive</b> in England and Wales.
<b>HDU</b>	Heat Disinfection Unit.
<b>Healthcare risk waste</b>	A category of <b>healthcare waste</b> defined in this report as <b>healthcare waste</b> requiring treatment prior to disposal.
<b>Healthcare risk waste services industry</b>	The provision of collection, transport, treatment and disposal services for <b>healthcare risk waste</b> .
<b>Healthcare waste</b>	Waste produced in healthcare and related settings.
<b>HGV</b>	Heavy goods vehicle.
<b>IPPC</b>	Integrated Pollution Prevention and Control.
<b>JWMB</b>	Joint Waste Management Board (All Ireland).
<b>List of Wastes (England) Regulations</b>	List of Wastes (England) Regulations 2005 (SI 2005 No 895) which implement in England a European Commission Decision adopting the European Waste Catalogue.
<b>LQG</b>	Large Quantity Generator.
<b>NHS</b>	National Health Service.

<b>NSI</b>	Needlestick Injury.
<b>Offensive waste</b>	A category of <b>healthcare waste</b> defined in this report as <b>healthcare waste</b> that does not require treatment prior to disposal, eg soiled nappies, sanitary waste, incontinence bags.
<b>OFT</b>	Office of Fair Trading.
<b>OGC</b>	Office of Government Commerce.
<b>PaSA</b>	NHS Purchasing and Supplies Agency (executive agency of the <b>DoH</b> ).
<b>PCT</b>	Primary Care Trust; a constituent part of the <b>NHS</b> responsible for the provision of general practitioner (GP), optical, dental and pharmaceutical services.
<b>PFI</b>	Public Finance Initiative.
<b>PPC</b>	Pollution, Prevention and Control (England and Wales) Regulations 2000 (SI 2000 No 1973) which implement the <b>WID</b> in the England and Wales.
<b>Pyrolysis</b>	Process of incineration in an oxygen-free environment.
<b>RSA</b>	Radioactive Substances Act 1993.
<b>SEPA</b>	Scottish Environmental Protection Act.
<b>SHA</b>	Strategic Health Authority; regional bodies set up in 2002.
<b>SHE</b>	Safety, Health and Environment.
<b>Special waste</b>	A category of waste used before the 2005 regulations ( <b>Hazardous Waste</b> (England) and List of Waste (England)) came into force.
<b>SQG</b>	Small Quantity Generator.
<b>TWM</b>	Total Waste Management.
<b>Waste Management Licensing Regulations</b>	Waste Management Licensing Regulations 1994 (SI 1994 No 1056) which make provision related to the bringing into force of the waste management licensing system under Part II of the <b>EPA</b> and for the purpose of implementing certain EU Directives relating to waste.
<b>WID</b>	Waste Incineration Directive. EU Directive 2000/76/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 4 December 2000 on the incineration of waste.
<b>WHO</b>	World Health Organization.