



## Preparing for the new EU Waste Shipment Regulation (EU) 2024/1157

### Overview

The new Waste Shipment Regulation (Regulation (EU) 2024/1157 on shipments of waste) will eventually replace the current Regulation (EC) No 1013/2006. Most of the new provisions will apply from 21 May 2026. Regulation (EU) 2024/1157 introduces significant changes for all stakeholders, particularly regarding waste traceability, digitalization, and stricter export controls.

### Key Changes

#### 1. Export Restrictions to non-OECD Countries

From 21 May 2026, the provisions of Regulation (EC) No 1013/2006 and Regulation (EC) No 1418/2007 will continue to apply to shipments of green-list waste to non-OECD countries i.e. shipments will need to be accompanied by a physical Annex VII document and be reported on Dublin City Council's WTMP system.

The exception to this is plastic waste covered by Basel code B3011. Shipments of B3011 to non-OECD countries will be permitted from 21 May 2026 – 21 November 2026, but only under the procedure of prior written notification and consent. The shipment of B3011 to non-OECD countries will be prohibited from 21 November 2026 – 21 May 2029, after which applications from destination countries may be considered.

From 21 May 2027, exports of non-hazardous waste for recovery to non-OECD countries will be prohibited, unless:

- The destination country successfully applied to the European Commission (EC) for inclusion on their list.
- The destination country demonstrates the capacity to manage the waste types it wishes to receive in an environmentally sound manner (Article 42).
- The notifier or person who arranges the shipment is able to provide evidence that the recovery facility has successfully completed an independent audit (Article 46 & Annex X, Part B).

## 2. Export Restrictions to (non-EU) OECD Countries

Exports to OECD countries, such as Great Britain and Turkiye, remain permitted but will be closely monitored (Article 45).

Exports of plastic waste (B3011) to OECD countries remain permitted but are required to be shipped under the procedure of prior written notification and consent from 21 May 2026. For Irish shippers, this has major implications as it will no longer be possible to ship B3011 waste to the likes of Great Britain or Turkiye as a green-list waste. Notifications will need to be applied for and consented to in advance of this date. Shipments of EU3011 as a green-list waste within the EU and to Northern Ireland are unaffected.

From 21 May 2027, the notifier or person who arranges the shipment must ensure that receiving facilities undergo independent audits ensuring that they can manage the waste in an environmentally sound manner (Article 46 & Annex X, Part B). This will apply for both amber and green-list waste shipments.

## 3. Digital Waste Shipment System

Under Article 27, the EC will implement a Digital Waste Shipment System (DIWASS) to streamline and monitor waste shipments across the EU. Its use will be mandatory for all waste shipped to, from and through an EU Member State. Irish waste operator users (brokers, waste producers, carriers, consignees, receiving facilities) will be granted access to DIWASS. It will enable real-time tracking of shipments, improving transparency and enforcement. DIWASS will be used to exchange data, information and documents concerning

- Shipments subject to the procedure of prior written notification and consent: Article 4 (1), (2) and (3) of Regulation (EU) 2024/1157 (amber-list waste). New timelines for the notification procedure will be introduced and will be visible through a series of automatic timers
- Shipments subject to the procedure of prior written notification and consent: Article 4 (4) and (5) of Regulation (EU) 2024/1157 (green-list waste)
- The pre-consent process in accordance with Article 14 of Regulation (EU) 2024/1157

Irish users will enter DIWASS through the Graphical User Interface (GUI) of the EC portal and not via Dublin City Council's (DCC) WTMP system. The EC will create user manuals and the NTFSO will provide training to Irish users on the use of DIWASS in January/February 2026.

Although DIWASS will track shipments from 21 May 2026, the following specific shipments will continue to be regulated under Regulation (EC) No 1013/2006:

- Existing notifications where consent has already been issued by all competent authorities. These notifications will expire on the date specified in the notification document, the latest of which must be 21 May 2027.

- Existing notifications to pre-consented facilities where consent has already been issued by all competent authorities. These notifications will expire on the date specified in the notification document, the latest of which must be 21 May 2029.
- Notifications that have been submitted and for which the competent authority of destination has given its acknowledgment before 21 May 2026.
- Green-list shipments to non-OECD countries up until 21 May 2027. This is also the date when Regulation 1418/2007 will no longer apply. From this date, the new rules regarding export restrictions to non-OECD countries take effect – see Section 1 of this notice.

As each of these specific shipments will continue to be regulated under Regulation (EC) No 1013/2006, Irish users will continue to interact with WTMP to record the relevant details i.e. pre-notifying movements on notifications and submitting green-list waste reports.

#### 4. Green-list shipments

The information contained within Annex VII for green-list shipments, subject to Regulation (EU) 2024/1157, will have to be input electronically into DIWASS at least two working days before the shipment starts, by the person who arranges the shipment. The exceptions to this are the *“actual quantity of the waste, the carrier or carriers and, where applicable, the container identification number may be submitted at the latest before the start of the shipment.”* In addition

- Any subsequent interim/non-interim recovery facilities and R-codes shall be indicated in the Annex VII document on DIWASS.
- The recovery facility shall, within two working days, confirm receipt of the waste (Block 14 of the Annex VII).
- The recovery facility shall, within 30 days after completion of the recovery operation, provide a certificate through DIWASS that the recovery operation has been completed (Block 15 of the Annex VII).
- If the receiving facility has no access to DIWASS to complete either Block 14 or 15 of the Annex VII e.g. if they are based outside the EU, the person who arranges the shipment will be responsible for updating DIWASS.

All green-list waste shipments will be regulated under Regulation (EU) 2024/1157 from 21 May 2026, except for those to non-OECD countries.

#### 5. Shipments for Disposal

In order to support targets to increase recycling and reduce disposal of waste set out in the Waste Framework Directive, Article 11 of Regulation (EU) 2024/1157 stipulates additional conditions that must be met for disposal notifications to proceed. These include the notifier demonstrating that the waste cannot be recovered in a technically feasible and economically viable manner.

The EC shall adopt an implementing act by 21 May 2027 on this topic. DCC are working with other competent authorities to ensure that notifiers understand the documentation requirements they need to supply for disposal notifications submitted in advance of this date.

As noted in Section 3 above, disposal notifications that have been submitted, and for which the competent authority of destination has given its acknowledgment before 21 May 2026, will continue to be regulated under Regulation (EC) No 1013/2006.

Dublin City Council will provide further updates in advance of May 2026, particularly regarding the use of DIWASS. For further information or any other questions about this notice, please contact our office at [nationaltfs@dublincity.ie](mailto:nationaltfs@dublincity.ie).