

Export / Import Application Procedures

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Legislation

- Waste Management Act
 - designated mainly for domestic control of hazardous wastes
- Act on the control of transboundary movements of hazardous wastes and their disposal (1992/1994/1997/1998/1999/2001)

Focal point

- Ministry of Environment (MoE)
- Korea Customs Service
- Korea Environment & Resources Corporation

Competent authorities

- MoE regional offices (8)
- Customs at (air)ports

Wastes under the control of Act on the control of transboundary movements of hazardous wastes and their disposal

- Wastes of the annex I/VIII of the Basel Convention
 - referred to when the wastes have hazardous characteristics defined in the annex III of the Basel Convention
- Wastes of the annex II of the Basel Convention
- Wastes reported to / from the Secretariat of the Basel Convention

Wastes not mentioned in the criteria of the Act

- Exporters and importers should notify competent authorities of the export and import of all kinds of waste, except for those already properly managed, such as paper and metal scrap
- Effective from August 2008 under the Waste Management Act

Imports and Exports Report System

- A new system introduced by the Waste Management Act (amended in August 2007)
- Wastes must be reported the competent authorities, even if they have been out of the control of the Act on the of the control transboundary movements of hazardous wastes and their disposal and thus have been free to import/export
- A online mandatory report on the undertaking and handover of imported wastes
- Imported wastes cannot be directly exported without any treatment

Expected outcome

- Enhancing sound management of wastes
- Preventing intermediate trades of wastes
- Improving the capacity of the monitoring on imported wastes

Conditions

- Competent authorities must be consulted regarding on items to be exported, whether or not they are under the control of the Act to control the transboundary movements of hazardous wastes and their disposal;
- Even though they are not the target of the Act, a report to competent authorities is still mandatory;
- Only authorized waste-handler can collect, transport, keep and treat the waste;
- The one who is not supposed to handle wastes can simply execute as proxy in the process of transactions

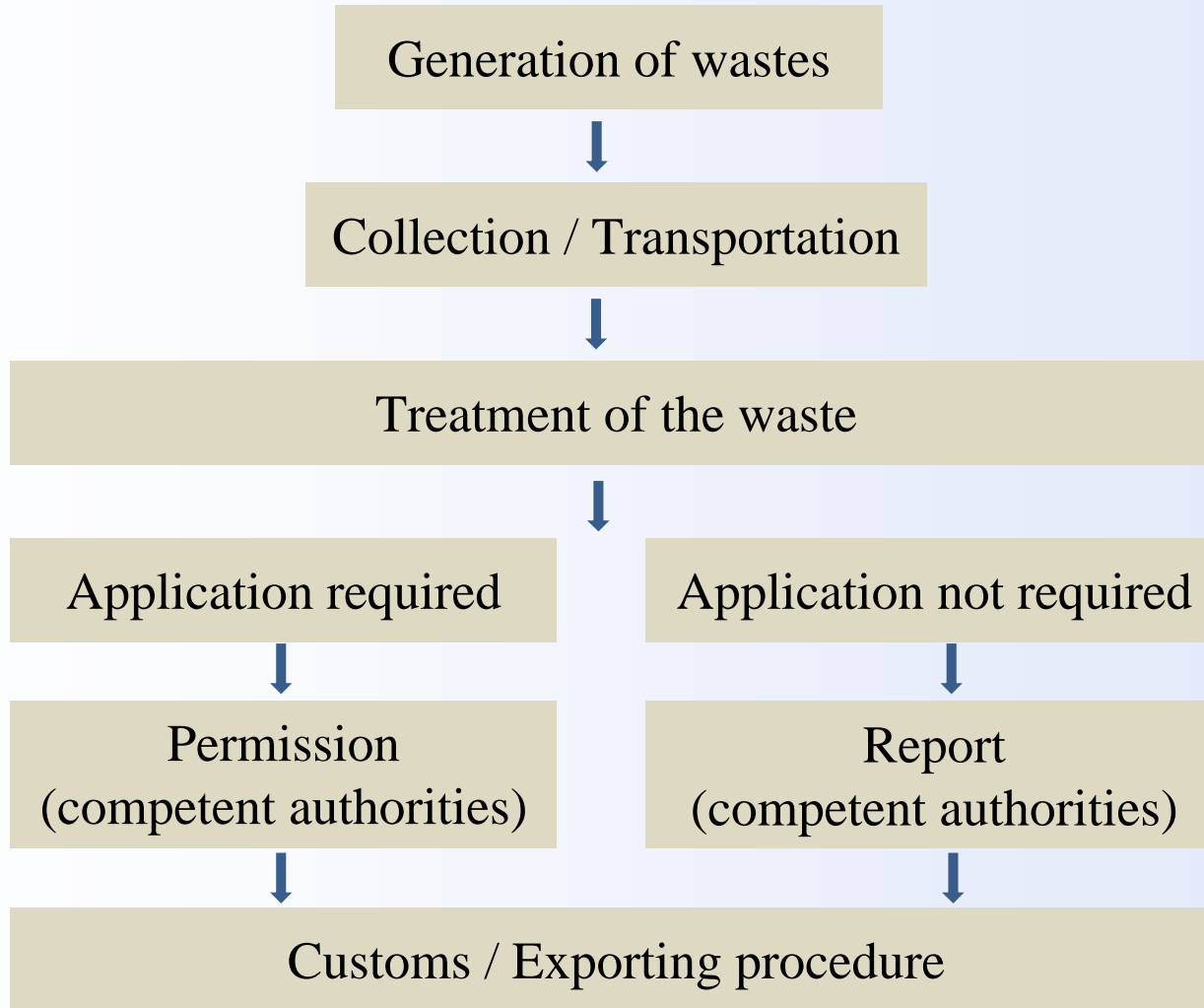
Export application

- Available only for the authorized/designated waste-handler;
- Wastes must be collected, transported, kept and treated under relevant regulations
- Application must be permitted by competent authorities;
- Approval must be obtained from importing country

Required documents

- contract which pledges the sound management of wastes
- contract on domestic transportation that describes methodology, paths and transporters of the transportation of wastes
- inspection transcript of waste which is issued by certain organization designated by the Minister of Environment
- test transcript of the exporting waste which is issued by certain organization designated by the Minister of Environment
- receipt on the exporting waste commission
- if necessary, insurance or guarantee regulated by the Basel Convention

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Conditions

- Competent authorities must be consulted regarding on items to be imported, whether or not they are under the control of relevant regulations;
- If yes, a prior permission needs to be obtained from competent authorities;
- Even though they are not the target of the Act, a report to competent authorities is still mandatory;
- Only authorized waste-handler can transport, keep and treat the waste;
- The one who is not supposed to handle wastes can simply execute as proxy in the process of transactions

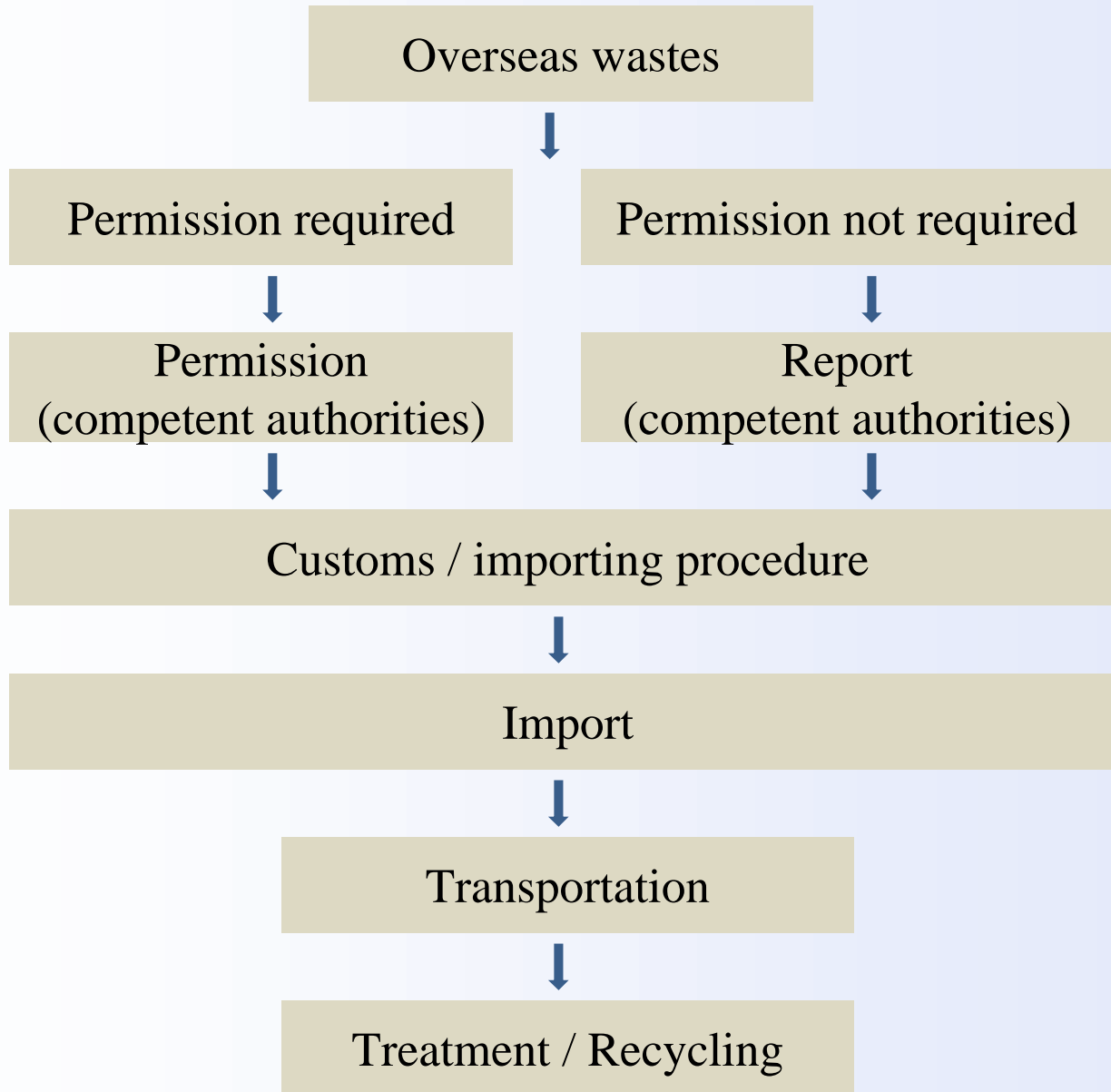
Import application

- Available only for the authorized/designated waste-handler
- Wastes must be transported, kept, treated and recycled under relevant regulations

Required documents

- contract which pledges the sound management of wastes
- reports on the characteristics and the use of wastes
- contract on domestic transportation that describes methodology, paths and transporters of the transportation of wastes
- receipt on the importing waste commission
- plans for treatment / recycling of wastes
- insurance or guarantee regulated by the Basel Convention

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Thank you