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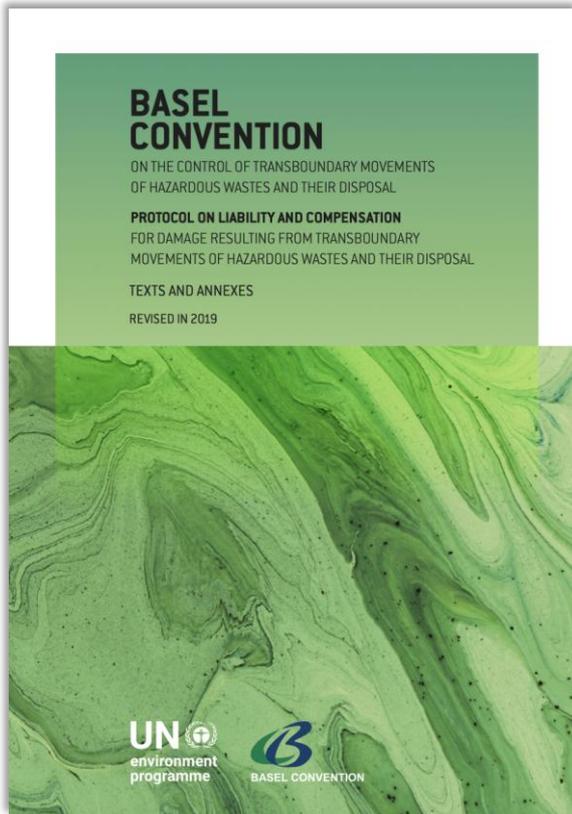
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NATIONAL IMPLEMENTATION OF THE BASEL CONVENTION



Accession

16 December 2002

National Focal Point

Department of
Environment, Parks and
Recreation (DEPR)

Competent Authority

Department of
Environment Parks and
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LEGAL REQUIREMENT

LAWS OF BRUNEI
CHAPTER 274
HAZARDOUS WASTE (CONTROL OF EXPORT,
IMPORT AND TRANSIT)

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**HAZARDOUS WASTE (CONTROL
OF EXPORT, IMPORT AND
TRANSIT) ORDER 2013**



**HAZARDOUS WASTE (CONTROL OF
EXPORT, IMPORT AND TRANSIT)
ACT, CHAPTER 274**



Legal Requirement

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Hazardous Waste (Control Of Export, Import And Transit) Act Chapter 274

To provide for the regulation of the export, import and transit of hazardous waste and other waste i.e. to implement the obligations of the Basel Convention

Hazardous waste is defined as:

- i. Waste has any of the characteristics mentioned in Annex III to the Basel Convention; or
- ii. Waste that belongs to any category contained in Annex I to the Basel Convention, unless it does not possess any of the characteristics contained in Annex III to the Convention

Other waste is defined as:

- i. Household waste; or
- ii. Residue arising from the incineration of household waste

Note:

In the process of being amended

Subsidiary legislation to further strengthen (in the process of review):

1. Hazardous Waste (Control of Export, Import and Transit) Regulations, 2023
2. Hazardous Waste (Control of Export, Import and Transit) (Composition of Offences) Regulations, 2023.



Amendments to HWA, Chapter 274

1 Amendment of Schedule

DEPR is still in the process of finalizing the amendment to the Hazardous Waste (Control of Export, Import and Transit) Act Chapter, 274:

- to include the requirements of the Basel Convention plastic waste amendments and E-waste amendment

2 Insertion of New Section 47A

Composition of Offences:

The Director or any person authorized in writing in that behalf, may, may compound any offences against this Order or any regulations made thereunder which is prescribed as a compoundable offence by collecting from a person reasonably suspected of having committed the offence a sum of money not exceeding one half of the maximum fine prescribed for that offence

3 Amendment to Definition

Other waste is defined as:

- i. Household waste; or
- ii. Residue arising from the incineration of household waste

Note:

In the process of being amended to...’ means waste that belongs to any category contained in Annex II to the Basel Convention,”

Challenges:

- Review and approval for any legal amendments is time consuming.



BASEL CONVENTION AND BRUNEI'S RESPONSE TO THE BC E-WASTE AMENDMENTS



Planned Efforts for E-Waste Amendments



Stakeholder Engagement/Consultation

DEPR has organized an inter-agency consultation among the relevant authorities to provide an overview of the E-waste amendments and discuss any actions to be taken and identify potential challenges and gaps in implementing them.



Amending existing legislations

DEPR plan to make amendments to the Hazardous Waste (Control of Export, Import and Transit) Act, 274:

- to include the requirements of the Basel Convention E-waste amendments



Developing guidelines on the TBM of E-wastes

To strengthen the domestic implementation of the BC E-waste amendments, DEPR will develop the necessary guidelines on the import and export of E-waste to assist the private sector.



Raising awareness among traders

Efforts to raise awareness among recyclers, exporters and forwarders and make them well informed include:

- Organising information sharing and Q&A sessions
- Making information related to E-waste amendments and export/import procedures available on website and other media platforms.



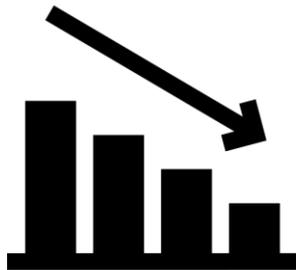
EFFORTS FOR E-WASTE AMENDMENT



DEPR organize an inter-agency consultation on the 27th November 2025, with Royal Customs and Excise Department to provide an overview of the plastic waste amendments and E-waste amendments



Current Status of E-waste Import and Export



Have not received request for import of E-waste by companies.

Brunei Darussalam has sent out two notification in 2019 (6 MT) and 2023 (9.7 MT) for export of E-waste so far identified under A1 I80 of the Basel Annex. There were one application for export of e-waste in 2024 identified under A1 I81.

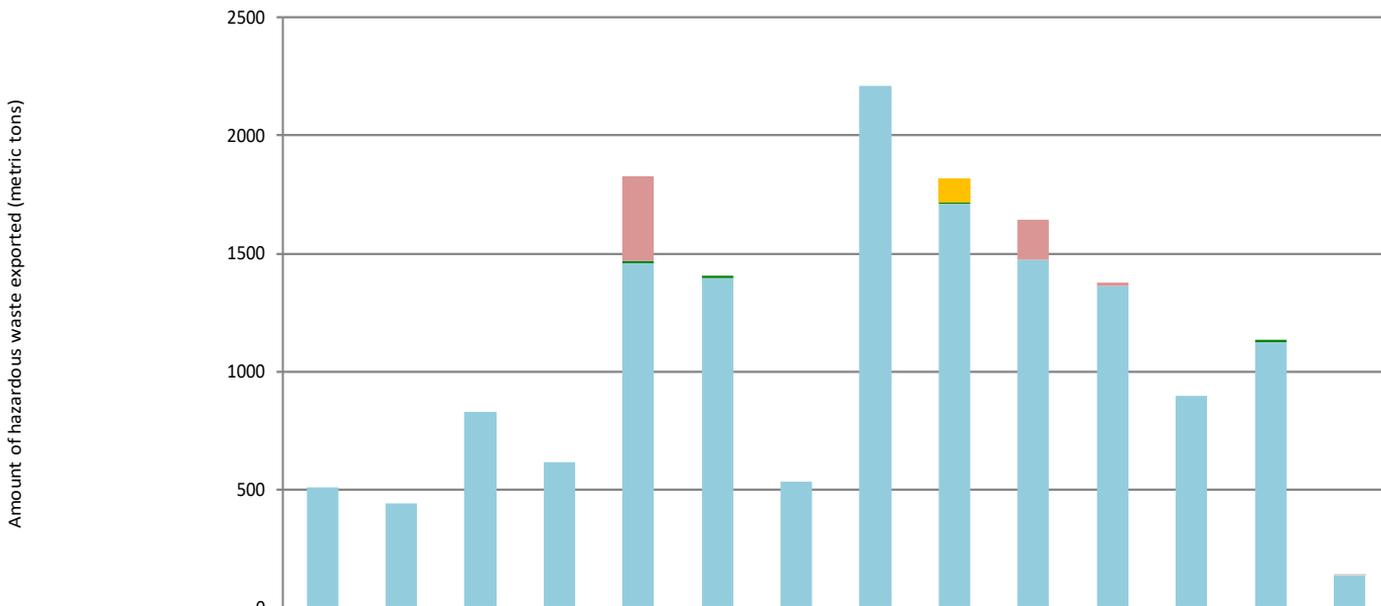


- Quarterly report of recycling companies registered under the Department on E-waste.
- Low collection and recycling rate of E-waste



RECENT IMPORT/EXPORT STATISTICS AND TREND

Amount of Hazardous Wastes Exported in 2011 - 2024



	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Contaminated drum, bags & sacks														0.83
Waste Spent Hg Absorbent	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	102.175	0	0	0	0	0
Waste Catalysts	0	0	0	0	360	0	0	0	0	171.24	12.9517	0	0	0
E-Waste	0	0	0	0	6.45	9.6	0	0	6.01	0	0	0	9.715	0
Waste Batteries	508.117	442.931	828.925	616.176	1461.722	1398.216	531.878	2208.937	1709.507	1471.616	1362.473	896.111	1125.07	133.199

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