

INFORMATION SHEET

GARDEN CONTRACTORS GREEN WASTE DISPOSAL

Under the Waste and Contaminated Land (Northern Ireland) Order 1997, you are required to register as a waste carrier if you transport controlled waste as part of your business or for profit.

Garden waste from a domestic property is controlled waste. Mid and East Antrim Borough Council will accept this type of waste from garden contractors within the Mid and East Antrim Council area only. Green waste from commercial premises will not be accepted.

Garden contractors need to apply for an Upper Tier Waste Carriers Licence from the Northern Ireland Environment Agency (NIEA). The licence application fee is payable to the NIEA and covers a 3 year registration and certificate. After 3 years, a registration renewal must be applied for.

For an overview of the waste carrier licence and application, details go to: https://www.gov.uk/register-renew-waste-carrier-broker-dealer-england

Phone enquiries regarding waste carrier licences can be directed to the NIEA Waste Division on **028-9056-9360**.

Once registered, please present your Waste Carrier Licence to staff at your local Household Recycling Centre (HRC) and you will be issued you with an annual site pass. Organisations which continue to use the site and refuse to obtain a carriers licence will be referred to the NIEA environment crime section.

It is a criminal offence to carry controlled waste without being registered with a maximum fine of £5000.