

Waste means any substance or object which the holder disposes of or is required to dispose of pursuant to the provisions of national law in force.

Disposal of waste means:

- the collection, sorting, transport and treatment of waste as well as its storage and tipping above or under ground;
- the transformation operations necessary for its [re-use](#) , [recovery](#) or [recycling](#) .

Related concepts

- [Incineration](#)
- [Landfill](#)
- [Recovery of waste](#)
- [Recycling](#)
- [Wastewater](#)

Statistical data

- [Waste statistics](#)

Source

- [Directive 75/442/EEC](#) of 15 July 1975 on waste
- [Directive 98/2008/EC](#) of the European Parliament and of the Council of 19 November 2008 on waste and repealing certain Directives (Text with EEA relevance)