

Extended Producer Responsibility for batteries in Norway.

The EU battery directive of 2006 has the heavy metals lead, cadmium and mercury in focus.

The directive places the responsibility for proper collection and recycling of scrapped batteries on the producers of batteries. In this context anyone who commercially puts a battery on the national market is a producer. The producer responsibility applies in full from the first battery on.

The producer/importer may outsource the task above to a third party, operating on behalf of the producer/importer. Enterprises acting on behalf of the producers/importers are called Compliance Organizations. The parties carrying the extended producer responsibility in the Norwegian market have established two not for profit compliance organizations they control through ownership.

AS Batteriretur handles the extended producer responsibility for automotive and industrial batteries. The company was established in 1993 on the initiative of the Norwegian Ministry of Environment and operates on basis of a government contract of 1993.

Rebatt AS handles the extended producer responsibility for portable batteries.

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Both companies are ISO 9001:2008 and ISO 14001:2004 certificated.

Both companies are subject to comprehensive corporate governance rules set by the shareholders. Anyone carrying the extended producer responsibility for batteries has the right to become shareholder. Transparency rules.

The companies operate under joint management . Every importer listed on the Norwegian producer register for batteries is invited to join any one of the two compliance organizations at his will.

Both companies operate under the ISO certificated, trade mark registered logo



This registered logo is a guarantee to the carriers of the extended producer responsibility for proper tracking and recycling of the scrapped batteries. All batteries are recycled in compliance with Directive 2006/66/EC- The Batterydirective.

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