

# **Waste Facility Permit Holders obligations under the European Union (End-of-Life Vehicles) Regulations 2014, as amended.**







The information contained within this guidance document does not purport to provide, and should not be relied upon as, a legal interpretation of the Regulations.

### What is an ELV?

An ELV (End of Life Vehicle) means a passenger car or light commercial van which is discarded or is to be discarded by its registered owner as waste.

As an ATF (Authorised Treatment Facility) that has a Waste Facility Permit issued by a local authority you are permitted to accept End-of-Life Vehicles.

As well as being in compliance with the conditions of your Waste Facility Permit you also have obligations under the ELV Regulations.

The ELV Regulations ensure that when a car is scrapped, as much material as possible is recovered and recycled. This takes place in a way that does not harm the environment.



### An ATF is required to:

1. **Accept ELVs free of charge** from the registered owners or when instructed to do so by an authorised person of a local authority or a member of An Garda Síochána. If you purchase ELVs, or other related wastes you must comply with Condition 5.2 of your Waste Facility Permit.
2. Issue **Certificates of Destruction (CoD)**. The full requirements of a CoD are outlined in the Third Schedule of the ELV Regulations and you must also record the details as set out in Condition 3.1 of your Waste Facility Permit.

CoDs can be issued manually or electronically. Information on issuing electronic CoDs can be found at the following link: [www.motorelv.ie](http://www.motorelv.ie)  
Alternatively, manual CoD books can be obtained free of charge from your local authority.

3. Ensure **site infrastructure** complies with the requirements to protect the environment, Condition 4 of your Waste Facility Permit sets out your requirements which include:
  - o **An impermeable surface** (a surface area that does not leak and any run off is collected in a controlled manner) for the storage of ELVs, oil, contaminated parts etc.
  - o **Containers** for batteries, filters and PCB / PCT-containing condensers so that oil, battery acids, mercury or other fluids cannot escape from them and so rainwater cannot enter them.
  - o **Bunded storage tanks/containers** for the separate storage of ELV fluids e.g. oil, brake fluid. Different ELV fluids must not be mixed.
  - o **Tyre storage**, to prevent fires and stockpiling.
  - o A petrol interceptor, with a **high level alarm** and service records provided by an authorised collector.



4. The following steps must be carried out to **depollute an ELV**-
- removal of the battery or batteries;
  - removal of the liquefied gas tank;
  - removal or neutralisation of airbags;
  - removal, if possible of all components identified as containing mercury;
  - removal and the separate collection and storage of all –

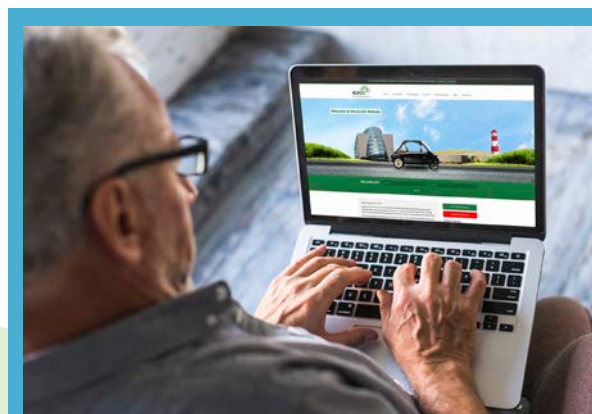
Fuel	Motor oil	Transmission oil
Gearbox oil	Hydraulic oil	Cooling liquids
Antifreeze	Brake fluids	Air-conditioning system fluids

5. De-pollution must be carried out in such a way as to allow the removal and **recycling** of:

Catalyst(s)	All metal parts containing Copper, Aluminium or magnesium	Glass
Tyres	All large plastic parts	

6. De-pollute an ELV no later than **10 days** after accepting it.
7. Achieve reuse, recovery and recycling **targets** for ELVs (the targets of 95% reuse and recovery of ELVs, with a minimum of 85% reuse and recycling)
8. Keep **records** as per Condition 3 , Tables B1, B2 and B3 of your Waste Facility Permit.

9. Under Condition 3.3 of Waste Facility Permit you must report waste/ELVs accepted at the facility and waste and ELV materials sent for reuse, recycling, recovery and disposal removed from the facility to the NWCPO as part of your Annual Report.



### What is ELVES?

ELVES is the approved End-of-Life-Vehicle (ELV) compliance scheme for Ireland. You are only obliged to join ELVES if you are involved in the importation of new and/or used vehicles to sell them in Ireland.

**See the website:**  
**[www.elves.ie/](http://www.elves.ie/) for more details.**

**Should you have any further queries  
please contact the Environment Section  
of your Local Authority.**

