

Trade Effluent Guidance

Supplemental Note regarding Scotland

Although the general principals and guidelines apply in Scotland the legal and regulatory regime is different.

Operation of Scheme of Control

The Scottish Environment Protection Agency is the Scottish equivalent of the Environment Agency. There is no formal dual regulation of special category effluent and the 1989 Regulations do not apply in Scotland.

Directions

The relevant legislation is the Sewerage (Scotland) Act 1968.

Charging for Trade Effluents

Competition for water and waste water services, including trade effluent, was introduced for business customers in Scotland in April 2008. This set up a system of retail suppliers that contracted directly with business customers. Retailers in turn contract with the wholesaler to provide the waste water service. Wholesale trade effluent charges in Scotland follow the principles and guidelines set out in this section. Retailers may base their charge on other criteria.

Trade effluent consents regulating discharges to sewer continue to be administered and monitored by the sewerage undertaker. However traders need to involve their retailers in all new applications, changes and terminations.