



## EXPORT AND IMPORT OF HAZARDOUS WASTES REGULATIONS

Fact Sheet for  
Customs Brokers  
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*The Export and Import of Hazardous Wastes Regulations (EIHWR)* were introduced in 1992 and exist under the *Canadian Environmental Protection Act, 1999*. They set out the conditions to be followed prior to, during and after any export or import of hazardous wastes shipped across the Canadian border.

### What are the goals of the EIHWR?

- Promote environmental responsibility among all of those concerned before, during, and after the international movement of hazardous waste from the site of generation to the site of final disposal or recycling.
- Allow governments of the countries of import, export, and transit to control which wastes enter or leave their respective countries.
- Ensure that any transportation accident involving the international movement of hazardous waste will be cleaned up by requiring liability insurance coverage for exporters, importers and carriers.

### EIHWR requirements

1. The EIHWR requires that importers and exporters of hazardous wastes send Environment Canada (Transboundary Movement Division [TMD]) a completed and signed notice form indicating their intention to export or import hazardous wastes.
2. The notice forms must be sent by courier, registered mail or facsimile to:

**Chief, Transboundary Movement Division  
Environment Canada  
Place Vincent Massey,  
351 Saint Joseph Blvd., 12th Floor  
Hull, Quebec K1A 0H3  
Fax: (819) 953-0508**

3. No export, import or transit can be carried out without first obtaining written confirmation from Environment Canada.
4. All wastes must be classified, manifested, packaged, placarded and labelled according to both the *Transportation of Dangerous Goods Regulations* (TDGR) and the EIHWR.
5. A copy of the notice form, the Canadian waste manifest (parts A and B completed) and the written confirmation letter must accompany each shipment.
6. A copy of each of these *three documents* must be deposited at Canada Customs at the time the goods are declared.
7. The foreign receiver or importer must complete Part C of the Canadian manifest and send copies of the completed Canadian manifest to Environment Canada, to provincial authorities and, if applicable, to foreign authorities.
8. Written confirmation must be submitted to Environment Canada indicating that the waste has been disposed of or recycled.

### The EIHW Regulations process has not been properly followed when:

- shipments are made without a notice form (prior notification necessary before export or import);
- shipments are returned or redirected without documents (notice form, written confirmation letter and Canadian waste manifest);
- the required documentation is incomplete;
- the required documents/attachments are not submitted;
- the required information contained in the documents is incorrect; or
- the amendments are not properly documented.

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For further information, please contact Environment Canada Regional offices.

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This fact sheet provides general information and is not meant to be the definitive interpretation of these regulations. Compliance must be based on the Regulations themselves. Should you have specific legal question, please consult your legal advisor.

#### Environment Canada

The Green Lane - Web site of Environment Canada  
<http://www.ec.gc.ca>

Source of public information on activities under CEPA  
<http://www.ec.gc.ca/CEPARRegistry/default.cfm>

Registry of all existing regulations under CEPA  
<http://www.ec.gc.ca/CEPARRegistry/regulations>

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<http://www.ec.gc.ca/CEPARRegistry/regulations/default.cfm>

Transboundary Movement Division  
Responsible for administering the regulations of transboundary movement of hazardous waste  
<http://www.ec.gc.ca/tmd/tmdhp.htm>

Newsletter on hazardous waste across Canada  
<http://www.ec.gc.ca/resilog>

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