

Impact of COVID-19 on WSR documents

Due to the impacts of COVID-19 and subsequent social distancing measures, we are having to adapt to flexible ways of working in this unprecedented time. As a result, European competent authorities are implementing temporary changes to our processes to limit the impact on the movement of waste shipments. We will continue to review these processes regularly as the situation progresses and we will seek to keep you updated.

Green Listed waste

- To prevent unnecessary physical interaction we will allow the required paperwork, which should accompany waste shipments, to be shown electronically. For example, on iPads or on mobile phones. It is the person who arranges the shipment's responsibility to ensure that all carriers on the route have access to the required documents.
- Competent authorities, who require signed Annex VIIs to be sent to them, will accept electronic versions. Annex VIIs can be signed electronically.

Amber Listed waste (notification controls)

- All new TFS applications and supporting documents can be sent electronically, with electronic signatures. Documents can also be signed, scanned and emailed. We do not require the original documents with original signatures to be sent to competent authority offices.
- Competent authorities will accept electronic movement forms (Annex IBs). Movement forms can be signed electronically.

The following countries/regions are in agreement with these new conditions:

Austria	Saxony, Germany	Portugal
Belgium	Iceland	Republic of Ireland
Cyprus	Latvia	Scotland
Czech Republic	Luxembourg	Slovenia
Denmark	Netherlands	Spain
England	Northern Ireland	Sweden
Estonia	Norway	Wales
Finland	Poland	

Please be aware, it is the Notifier's responsibility to ensure that these processes are acceptable in the destination country and all countries in which the waste shipment will transit.

If you find that a transboundary movement is restricted or disrupted due to the impacts of COVID-19, please contact the relevant competent authorities.

The EU Commission has also published [a document](#) to ensure a common approach to securing the continuation of waste shipments across the EU during the COVID-19 outbreak.