

# RECYCLING EFFICIENCY REPORTING RESPONSIBILITIES

## Current situation

Recyclers have to report on an annual basis to the Member States. All batteries and accumulators have to undergo treatment and recycling through schemes that comply, as a minimum, with EU legislation.



**Who is responsible for the reporting of the recycling efficiency?**



Clear answer from the European Commission: the First Recycler.



Eucobat position: the First Recycler



**To whom should recyclers report?**

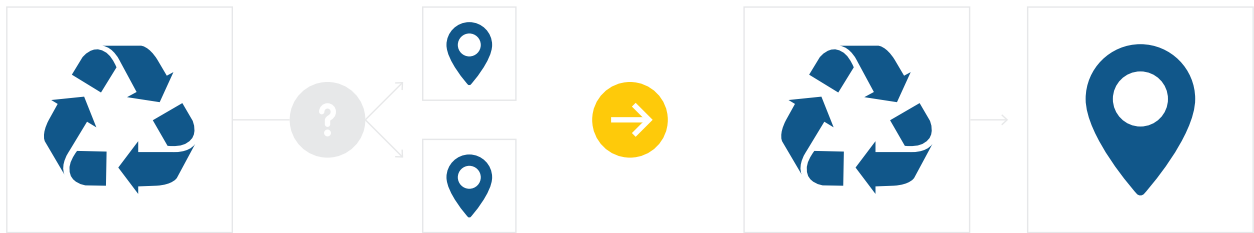


The European Commission is not clear;

- Country where the recycler is located, or;
- Country where the batteries are collected.



Eucobat position: The Member State where the First Recycler is located



## Issues

In all European countries, waste batteries are collected by one or more collective schemes, by individual producers of (mostly) industrial or automotive batteries and by private waste operators.

All these collective and individual collection schemes in the 27 member states work together with one or more recycler per battery chemistry. However, the total number of battery recyclers is very limited, except for the lead acid batteries, which have a positive residual value.

### EUCOBAT POSITION

Information should be made available by the reporting authority to all other Member States where these batteries were collected.

This requires however a harmonised approach by all the Member States, which should be of the highest concern.

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