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In the European Union (EU), waste from electrical and electronic equipment (WEEE) is now subject to legislation designed to prevent the disposal of such waste and to encourage proper treatment measures to minimize the amount of waste ultimately disposed to landfill. The objective of the EU WEEE Directive is to preserve, protect and improve the quality of the environment. In particular, the EU WEEE Directive 2002/96/EC (the WEEE Directive) requires that '**Producers**' of electronic equipment be responsible for the collection, reuse, recycling and treatment of WEEE which the Producer places on the EU market after August 13, 2005. AML, as an electronics producer, endeavours to meet these environmental responsibilities for managing WEEE. In so doing, AML is providing the following information for its customers about AML's WEEE collection process.

Take-back Policy (UK)

To comply with the EU WEEE Directive, the UK government has implemented the Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment Regulations 2006 (Statutory Instrument 2006 No. 3289). AML is providing a product take back process to cover, treatment, recovery and disposal of all electrical and electronic equipment sold to our business customers (B2B) in the UK on and after August 13, 2005. AML will also provide a take back process for ‘like for like’ electrical and electronic equipment as part of any new sale. (‘Like for Like’ is defined as any brand of equipment being replaced by new AML equipment providing the same basic function.

Take-back Policy (EU outside UK)

AML products sold in EU countries, other than the UK, are sold through distribution networks. Distributors outside the UK effectively become importers and as such are the **'Producers'** of AML products within the scope of the EU WEEE Directive. Our distributors will register in their own EU country for WEEE treatment. Please contact your local provider for information on their take-back policy.

Labelled WEEE

If you have purchased AML-branded electrical or electronic products in the UK **on and after** August 13, 2005, and are intending to discard these products at the end of their useful life, please do not dispose of them with your other household or municipal waste. AML has labelled its electronic products with the WEEE label (crossed out wheelie bin) to alert our customers that products bearing this label should not be disposed of in a landfill or with municipal or household waste. Instead, please be aware that AML is providing a goods return and treatment facility available to you for recycling these products. AML will take back the labelled electrical product and its associated cables.

When AML-branded EEE sold into the European Union on and after August 13, 2005 has reached the end of its useful life, AML's European distributors will make provision for treatment of such WEEE using authorised approved treatment facilities.

To help in the proper handling of electronic products at the end of their useful life, AML requests you return those products using the instructions provided here, so that the products can be delivered, or collected, dismantled for reuse and recycling, and properly treated. To return these products to AML, please phone **+44 (0)1903 884141**.

Note: Only authorised WEEE returns will be accepted. You will be requested to ensure the items are sufficiently packaged – correctly labelled and limited in overall weight, before delivery or collection will be accepted. If you are unable to deliver the EEE to our facility or have no shipping facilities of your own, AML can provide a competitively-priced collection.

Historical WEEE

Historical waste is defined as WEEE purchased before August 13, 2005.

End of life AML branded historical WEEE. The WEEE Directive does not legislate that AML, as a ‘producer’, shall collect ‘end of life’ historical WEEE of its own brand, unless it is being replaced by new AML equipment on a like for like basis. This ‘end of life’ WEEE should be recycled appropriately by the owner who should use proper treatment and recycling measures. It should not be disposed to landfill. Like for like replacement historical WEEE – Under the WEEE Directive AML are obliged to provide a take back process for ‘any brand’ purchased before August 13,2005 on a ‘like for like’ basis (like for like – is defined as any brand of equipment being replaced by a new AML purchase of equipment providing the same basic function.)