

National Packaging Waste Database

Summary of Portable Batteries Data for the 2025 Compliance Period - as at 26 February 2026

Data Summary

The UK collection rate is calculated from the weight of waste portable batteries for which schemes supply battery evidence notes in 2025. Evidence can be issued by ABTOs and ABEs on all waste portable batteries received for treatment/export in 2025. Compliance schemes have until 31 May 2026 to obtain evidence to meet their members' obligations for the 2025 compliance period.

UK Collection Rate Target for 2025 - 45%

Number of UK Scheme Members in 2025 - 635

Portable Batteries Placed on the UK Market in 2025 to date - 47,347.262 tonnes

The UK target collection tonnage for 2025 is 45% of the average annual amount of portable batteries placed on the UK market by scheme members and small producers in 2023, 2024 and 2025

Average Amount of Portable Batteries Placed on the UK Market by Scheme Members and Small Producers in 2023, 2024 and 2025 - 44,666.859 tonnes

Indicative UK Obligation for 2025 - 20,100.086 tonnes

Tonnage of Waste Portable Batteries Collected in the UK in 2025 to 31 December - 20,200.226 tonnes

Tonnage of Waste Portable Batteries Delivered for Treatment in the UK in 2025 to 31 December - 20,200.226

Tonnage of Waste Portable Batteries Evidence Notes Accepted for 2025 to date of publication - 20,150.217 tonnes

UK Collection Rate for 2025 to date - 45.11%

Section 1 - Portable Batteries Placed on the Market Data

Table 1a - Portable Batteries Placed on the Market in 2025 by Compliance Scheme Members per Quarter (tonnes)

	Quarter 1	Quarter 2	Quarter 3	Quarter 4	Total
Pb / acid	417.176	329.682	418.194	427.074	1,592.126
Ni-Cd	19.070	42.484	21.883	23.342	106.779
Other	8,577.754	8,922.330	10,716.243	17,432.030	45,648.357
Total	9,014.000	9,294.496	11,156.320	17,882.446	47,347.262

Table 1b - Portable Batteries Placed on the Market in 2025 by Compliance Scheme Members and Small Producers (tonnes)

	2025 Market Data by Scheme Members	2025 Market Data by Small Producers	Total
Pb / acid	1,592.126	9.746	1,601.872
Ni-Cd	106.779	4.596	111.375
Other	45,648.357	155.053	45,803.410
Total	47,347.262	169.395	47,516.657

Table 2a - Portable Batteries Placed on the UK Market in 2024 by 2025 - Registered Scheme Members and Small Producers (tonnes)

	2024 Market Data by Scheme Members	2024 Market Data by Small Producers	Total
Pb / acid	1,752.498	13.653	1,766.151
Ni-Cd	180.084	5.503	185.587
Other	42,971.994	151.347	43,123.341
Total	44,904.576	170.503	45,075.079

Table 2b - Portable Batteries Placed on the UK Market in 2023 by 2025 - Registered Scheme Members and Small Producers (tonnes)

	2023 Market Data by Scheme Members	2023 Market Data by Small Producers	Total
Pb / acid	1,553.210	13.525	1,566.735
Ni-Cd	266.619	3.809	270.428
Other	39,433.701	137.977	39,571.678
Total	41,253.529	155.311	41,408.840

Notes:

Battery Compliance Schemes' obligations are based on the average amount of portable batteries placed on the UK market in 2023, 2024 and 2025 by their scheme members only, schemes were therefore obligated to obtain a set proportion of evidence in 2025. Previously reported data can change as a result of resubmitted data returns either for new scheme members or to correct errors.

Section 2 - Waste Portable Batteries Data

Table 3 - Waste Portable Batteries collected by Battery Compliance Schemes reported in 2025 (tonnes)

	Quarter 1	Quarter 2	Quarter 3	Quarter 4	Total
Pb / acid	4,436.083	2,746.190	1,938.877	1,011.014	10,132.164
Ni-Cd	180.819	104.056	291.414	212.414	788.703
Other	2,746.291	2,480.094	2,128.301	1,924.673	9,279.359
Total	7,363.193	5,330.340	4,358.592	3,148.101	20,200.226

Table 4 - Waste Portable Batteries Delivered by Battery Compliance Schemes to Approved Battery Treatment Operators and Approved Battery Exporters reported in 2025 (tonnes)

	Quarter 1	Quarter 2	Quarter 3	Quarter 4	Total
Pb / acid	4,436.083	2,746.190	1,938.877	1,011.014	10,132.164
Ni-Cd	180.819	104.056	291.414	212.414	788.703
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Table 5 - Waste Portable Batteries Received by Approved Battery Treatment Operators and Approved Battery Exporters from Battery Compliance Schemes reported in 2025 (tonnes)

	Quarter 1	Quarter 2	Quarter 3	Quarter 4	Total
Pb / acid	4,512.640	2,740.444	2,111.147	1,051.989	10,416.220
Ni-Cd	178.490	104.056	291.414	212.414	786.374
Other	2,740.024	2,480.093	2,128.301	1,924.673	9,273.091
Total	7,431.154	5,324.593	4,530.862	3,189.076	20,475.685

Notes:

We are aware that the data in Table 5 does not match the data in Tables 3 and 4, this is due to a data discrepancy with an ABTO, this is currently under review.
