

# NOWOS

## The circular solution for batteries and accumulators

More and more companies decide to make an active contribution to the conservation of raw materials and the realization of a circular economy for their products. NOWOS provides the solution for batteries and accumulators throughout Europe and you and your customers have the guarantee that all legal obligations are met and the raw materials are recovered in a sustainable and reliable way.

## The Extended Producers Responsibility in Europe

In the interest of conserving raw materials and limiting the amount of waste, the principle of Extended Producer Responsibility has been introduced in Europe. The extensive Producers Responsibility is laid down in a European directive and from that date applies in every member state.

The Extended Producer Responsibility (UPV) also applies to all batteries and accumulators that are marketed in Europe. The company that is the first to place batteries and accumulators on the market in a Member State is the holder of the UPV and is therefore called a producer. Possibly this UPV also applies to you?

## NOWOS service solutions

NOWOS has an approved report (read permit) in the Netherlands. With this, tailor-made solutions can be developed and offered on an individual as well as collective basis for the implementation of the UPV for batteries and accumulators.

NOWOS offers producers of batteries and accumulators four basic solutions with which you can comply with the UPV:

### 1. Collective Compliance service

NOWOS provides all the necessary registrations, monitoring, testing and the annual report to the government for the collective of producers. In addition, NOWOS advises and tests the interpretation of the legal information task of the collective.

### 2. Collective Compliance & Operational service

In addition to the compliance, NOWOS also takes care of all logistics and recycling activities for the batteries and accumulators of the collective in this solution.

For the collective basic solutions, NOWOS immediately charges all costs to the collective when placing the batteries and accumulators on the market. This immediately meets the financing obligation of the UPV of the collective.

### 3. Customization for the individual producer with direct financing

In this case, NOWOS provides tailor-made solutions for both compliance and all logistics and recycling activities for the individual producer. NOWOS immediately charges all costs for these services to the individual producer.

### 4. Customization for the individual producer with split financing

In this solution NOWOS also takes care of compliance and the logistical and recycling activities for the individual producer, however, the costs for the operational activities are only charged if the discarded batteries and accumulators are offered to the system (no pre-financing).

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## The responsibilities explained in more detail

Each producer of batteries and accumulators is responsible for organizing the following on the basis of the UPV:

- Organizing and realizing an appropriate intake system for its products;
- Achieving the legally established collection and recycling targets;
- Informing end users about the way in which their products should be handled in the waste phase;
- Realizing sufficient financing to be able to implement the UPV;
- Reporting and having approval approved of the way in which the UPV is implemented at the relevant authorities;
- Registering, monitoring and testing the necessary data for the implementation of the UPV;
- Annually reporting the progress to the relevant authorities.

Completing the UPV can be achieved on an individual basis (per producer) or on a collective basis (a group of producers).

## NOWOS 'European approach

In addition to the approved report (permit) in the Netherlands, NOWOS cooperates with European partners in order to be able to implement the UPV in all member states for producers active on the European market.

Does the UPV for batteries and accumulators apply to you?

We would be happy to discuss this with you.