



**PUBLIC NOTICE**

**ATTENTION MANUFACTURER, IMPORTERS, ASSEMBLERS, RE-CONDITIONERS DEALERS,  
RECYCLER, AUCTIONEER, CONSUMER AND BULK CONSUMER**

Ministry of Environment and Forests(MoEF) Govt. of India has notified The Batteries (Management & Handling) Amendment Rules, 2010. These rules shall apply to every manufacturer, Importers, Assemblers, Dealers, Re-cyclers, Auctioneer, Consumer and Bulk-consumer involved in manufacture, processing, sale, purchase and use of batteries or components thereof with the following responsibilities.

**Responsibilities of manufacturer, importer, assembler and re-conditioner**

- i. Ensure that the used batteries are collected back as per the Schedule against new batteries sold excluding those sold to original equipment manufacturer and bulk consumer(s);
- ii. Ensure that used batteries collected back are of similar type and specifications as that of new batteries sold;
- iii. File half yearly returns of their sales and buy back to the CPCC in Form I latest by 30<sup>th</sup> June and 31<sup>st</sup> December of every year;
- iv. Set up collection centers either individually or jointly at various places for collection of used batteries from consumers or dealers;
- v. Ensure that used batteries collected are sold only to the registered recyclers;
- vi. Ensure that necessary arrangement are made with dealers for safe transportation from collection centers to premises to registered recyclers;
- vii. Ensure that no damage to the environment occurs during transportation;
- viii. Create public awareness through advertisements, publications, posters or by other means with regard to the following:- a) hazards of lead; b) Responsibility of consumers to return their used batteries only to dealers or deliver at designated collection centers; c) addresses of dealers and designated collection centers;
- ix. Use of international sign on the batteries;
- x. Buy recycled lead only from registered recyclers;
- xi. Bring to the notice of the CPCC or the Ministry of Environment and Forest any violation by the dealers; and
- xii. Ensure that the new batteries shall be sold to the **registered dealers**.

**Note:** Assemblers and Re-conditioners are excluded from the purview of responsibilities as specified in clause (iv), (vii), (ix), (xii).

**Responsibilities of dealers**

- i. Ensure that the used batteries are collected back as per the Schedule against new batteries sold;
- ii. Give appropriate discount for every used batteries returned by the consumer;
- iii. Ensure that used batteries collected back are of similar type and specifications as that of the new batteries sold;
- iv. File half-yearly returns of the sale of new batteries and buy-back of old batteries to the manufacturer in Form-V by 31<sup>st</sup> May and 30<sup>th</sup> November of every year;
- v. Ensure safe transportation of collected batteries to the designated collection centers or to registered recyclers ; and
- vi. Ensure that no damage is caused to the environment during storage and transportation of used batteries.
- vii. Get themselves registered with CPCC by submitting details as per Form IV (as per amended rules).

**Responsibilities of recycler**

- i. Apply for the registration to the Ministry of Environment and Forest or an agency designated by it if not applied already, by submitting information in Form VI;
- ii. Ensure strict compliance of the terms and conditions of registration; however, those already registered with the Ministry of Environment and Forests or agency designated by it for reprocessing used batteries would be bound by the terms and conditions of such registration.
- iii. Submit annual returns as per Form VII to State Board;
- iv. Make available all records relating to receipt of used batteries, sources, quantities and metal yield to be submitted to the State Board for inspection;
- v. Recyclers shall mark 'Recycled' on lead recovered by reprocessing;
- vi. Mark 'Recycled' on lead recovered by reprocessing;
- vii. Create public awareness through advertisements, public posters or others with regard to the following:
  - a hazards of lead;
  - b obligation of consumers to return used batteries only to the registered dealers or deliver at the designated collection centres; and
- viii get registered with CPCC by applying in Form IV

**Responsibilities of bulk consumers/consumers: -**

**Definition: - ("Bulk consumers means a consumer such as department of Central Govt. like Railways, Defence, Telecom, Posts and Telegraph, the department of State Government, The Undertakings, Boards and other agencies or companies who purchase hundred or more than hundred batteries per annum").**

- i. Ensure that used batteries are not disposed in any manner other than by depositing with dealer/ manufacturer/ registered recycler/ importer/ reconditioner or at the designated collection centers,
- ii. Ensure that used batteries are not disposed of in any manner other than by depositing with the dealer/manufacturer/registered recycler/importer/reconditioner or at the designated collection centres; and
- iii. File half yearly return in **Form VIII** to CPCC.
- iv. May auction used batteries to registered recyclers only, and

**Responsibilities of auctioneer**

- i. Ensure that used batteries are auctioned to the registered recyclers only;
- ii. File half yearly returns of their auctions to the State Boards in Form IX; and
- iii. Maintain a record of such auctions and make these records available to CPCC for inspection.

It is requested that necessary action may be taken by the above, for better compliance of The Battery (Management & Handling) Rules, 2001, as amended by The Batteries (Management and Handling) Rules, 2010 and various provisions of Environment (Protection) Act 1986, to avoid any legal/ penal action.

*Please help us to keep Chandigarh clean & green.*

**Member Secretary**