

## WEEE Regulations

The Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment (WEEE) Regulations have been introduced by the UK government in order to reduce the amount of electrical items going to landfill and encourage recycling and re-use of these products using the best available means. Any residual WEEE should be disposed of in an environmentally sound manner.

Electrical goods are the fastest growing waste stream in the UK, growing by 5% each year. Each year in the UK we go through over 1.2 million tons of electrical waste.

Over 75% of waste electrical goods end up in landfill, where lead and other toxins contained in these items can cause soil and water contamination which, in turn, can have a very harmful effect on the environment and human health.

Many of the electrical items that we throw away can be repaired or recycled. Recycling items helps to save natural finite resources and also reduces the environmental and health risks associated with sending waste electrical goods to landfill.

### Look for this symbol

As part of the WEEE directive (Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment) that came into effect on the 1st July 2007, Datamars have what is known as a “consumer information obligation” (CIO). This means we must inform customers of the existence of WEEE collection facilities and importance of recycling.



If you see this symbol on any of our packaging and products it means the contents are not suitable for household waste, and you must dispose of them according to your local council guidelines.

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In order to protect the environment for future generations it is important that we are all aware of the consequences of our actions and learn what we can do to make a difference.

## **Recycle your old electrical devices**

Please ensure that your old Waste Electricals and Electronics are recycled in accordance with the regulations. Please do not throw them away with your domestic rubbish as they will not be recycled.

To find your nearest recycling point, businesses can visit [www.netregs.gov.uk/netregs/98247.aspx](http://www.netregs.gov.uk/netregs/98247.aspx) and householders can visit [www.recycle-more.co.uk/banklocator/banklocator.aspx](http://www.recycle-more.co.uk/banklocator/banklocator.aspx). Alternatively contact your Local Council for information.