

Foundation

The **ECOTIC Foundation** is a non-profit private organization, whose establishment has been promoted by the main Consumer Electronics companies.

It was founded on March 7th, 2005, to comply with the obligations imposed by the legislation. A great number of manufacturers, importers and distributors of electrical and electronic devices joined together to protect the environment and promote sustainable development. The result is the ECOTIC Foundation, a WEEE Compliance Scheme.

Ecotic total market share is around 36% and more than 650 members have joined the foundation since 2005.

Legal background

The WEEE Directive 2002/96/CE was transposed to the Spanish law by the Royal Decree 208/2005 (25th February 2005). ECOTIC got all the mandatory authorizations to be issued to any Compliance Scheme (B2C & B2B) by every Spanish autonomous Community (competent bodies regarding waste management). The update of the WEEE Directive in February 2012 has been transposed to the Spanish law into the RD 110/2015.

WEEE categories covered

ECOTIC covers all WEEE categories for B2C and B2B appliances. Moreover, ECOTIC signed an agreement with Ecopilas, a Spanish Compliance Scheme for batteries, in order producers joining the Scheme can also comply with the battery's legislation. This eases the declaration and contractual processes since there will only be one channel for both obligations.

Financing system

The WEEE system is entirely financed by producers. Producers pay quarterly based on products placed on the market and the price service of each category. The price service includes all costs derived from the producer obligations as the overhead costs of the foundation. Current treatment, logistics and communication budget represents 90% of the total budget.

Collection system

ECOTIC takes part in Ofirae, the Spanish clearing house. It is also a party in all the existing regional agreements signed with the Autonomous Communities governments. Furthermore, ECOTIC has signed agreements with the main retailers operating in the Spanish market.

ECOTIC provides a pick-up service to its collection partners on demand for a minimum quantity of products. The pick-up requests will have to be registered on the ECOTIC e-platform, accessible through the ECOTIC website.



Our collecting network operating in 2018 is constituted by more than 10.000 registered collection points including municipalities, retailers, storage/grouping facilities, technical services etc.

Treatment/logistic partners

ECOTIC has selected over 70 treatment and logistic operators to cover the national territory for the collection, transport and treatment of WEEE. ECOTIC has chosen its treatment/logistics providers based on their legal compliance, optimization of treatment and transport costs, technological capabilities and geographical location. Some of our providers are social initiatives dealing with the collection and re-use of WEEE.

Expected results

In 2018, 97.536 tons of WEEE were collected, 9% increase of the amount collected the previous year (2017). For B2C represented 90.909 tons, a 6% increase from 2017 and for B2C 6.627 tons this means an increase of 74%. We have to consider that 2016 was the first year there where collection targets for B2B products according the transposition of the WEEE Directive 2012/19/EU into the Spanish Royal Decree.

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