



## History/Foundation

Fotokiklosi S.A. is a nonprofit Collective Scheme founded in December 2005 for Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment (WEEE) management in Greece.

The goal of FOTOKIKLOSI S.A. is to:

- Improve the country's performance in terms of waste recycling indicators
- Widely inform the professional and consumer public about the feasible way and the benefits of recycling in the context of the value of environmental protection
- Implement the Legislation regarding the management - collection - processing - recycling of WEEE.

## Legal Background

Fotokiklosi S.A. operates in compliance with the Hellenic legislative framework and the European Directives as it is listed below:

- Directive 2002/96/EU
- Directive 2003/108/EU
- Directive 2012/19/EU
- Law 2939/2001 as modified by the Law 4496/2017
- Presidential Decree 117/2004 as modified by Law 3854/2010
- JMD 112145/24.12.2004 about the mandatory invoicing of the recycling fee in a separate line.
- Presidential Decree 15/2006 (Transposition of EU Directive 2003/108/EU into National Law)
- Decision 133480/2011 (Rules, terms, and conditions for the Management of Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment (WEEE))
- JMD 23615/651/E.103 in compliance with the provisions of Directive 2012/19/EC
- JMD 181504/2016 National Producers' Registry of Hellenic Recycling Agency
- Law 4819/2021 (Integrated framework for managing waste)

## **Start of operations**

January 1st, 2006: Perception of a visible fee.

February 20th, 2009: FOTOKIKLOSI S.A. is approved by the Ministry of Environment and Climate Change for the management of WEEE Category 5 (Luminaires & lamps).

February 20th, 2009: Development of network-wide collection points.

February 20th, 2009: Collection and treatment of WEEE.

June 11<sup>th</sup>, 2012: approval by the Hellenic Recycling Agency for the management of WEEE Category 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 & 9.

July 16<sup>th</sup>, 2020: approval by the Hellenic Recycling Agency for the management of all 6 WEEE categories including Photovoltaic Panel.

**WEEE Product category 1:** Fully Covered

**WEEE Product category 2:** Fully Covered

**WEEE Product category 3:** Fully Covered

**WEEE Product category 4:** Fully Covered (Including PV Panel)

**WEEE Product category 5:** Fully Covered

**WEEE Product category 6:** Fully Covered

## **Financing**

Fotokiklosi S.A. is financed by a fee levied on producers in respect to their annual quantities put on the market. This fee is used to cover the costs of collection, recovery/treatment of the products at their end of life (WEEE).

A visible fee is charged to the end user while purchasing a new Electric & Electronic Equipment. Therefore, retailers and wholesalers transfer this fee to the producers and finally producers transfer the fee to the WEEE scheme participating.

Fotokiklosi S.A. represents more than 450 producers putting on market each year more than 5.000 tons of EEE.

## **Collection system**

Fotokiklosi S.A. is continuously improving its operation structure and is continuously searching for partners and local operators in respect to its commitments and the main aim to protect the environment and inform citizens about properly WEEE treatment. More than 8.500 collection points nationwide, including the islands, our network includes local authorities, municipalities, military, retailers, supermarkets, banks, schools and universities and other selected points. In order to track all waste from pick up to final treatment, the system has developed a fully dedicated information system.

Fotokiklosi S.A. has developed educational programs for schools and local communities about the importance of proper treatment of waste, environmental protection, and circular economy.

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