

Technical Amendments (TAs) for Waste/Industrial Emission Waste licences

Proposals from licensees for licence alterations via Technical Amendments (TAs) to Waste/Industrial Emission Waste licences that likely cannot be accommodated under a TA include:

- Regularisation of an on-going breach of a licence condition;
- Increases in the total waste acceptance capacity of a facility/installation;
- Acceptance of new waste types not in keeping with the waste types already specified or envisaged under the licence;
- A change in operation which involves incineration of hazardous waste at a non-hazardous waste incineration or co-incineration plant (refer to Article 54 of IED/Article 4(8) of WID);
- Acceptance of hazardous waste at facilities/installations licensed to accept non-hazardous waste;
- Boundary reductions which would result in insufficient storage/processing space for licensed waste acceptance capacity;
- Changes requiring a new class of activity;
- Changes resulting in new or increased process emissions (not including new storm water emission points);
- An extension of operating hours for an installation/facility which is not consistent with planning permission;
- Proposals requiring the preparation of a Natura Impact Statement (NIS) for consideration by any planning/public authority;
- Proposals requiring planning permission which may be subject to EIA by the Planning Authority or An Bord Pleanála; and
- Proposals which constitute a 'Substantial change' in the case of Industrial Emission licences. Substantial change meaning a change in the nature or functioning, or an extension, of an installation which may have significant adverse effects on human health or the environment and includes if the change in itself reaches the capacity thresholds of the relevant Industrial Emission activity (refer Section 98A(5) of the EPA Act 1992 as amended).

If any of the above scenarios occur, then a licence review, or a new licence application is likely to be required.