Electrical and Electronic Equipment Act
control of the disposal of electrical and electronic equipment in Germany


Implementation of Directive 2012/19/EU (WEEE) in national law

Ecological goals:
- Avoidance of waste from waste of electrical and electronic equipment (WEEE)
- Strengthening preparation for reuse of WEEE
- Environment-friendly disposal of EAG
- Resource protection through more efficient use and recovery
- Circulation of electrical and electronic equipment on the basis of the responsibility of the Manufacturer (product responsibility) and thus increase in resource efficiency

Act of loaning:
- Notice of 24 October 2015
- Lender: German Environmental Agency as competent authority
- Recipient of loan: clearing house → foundation elektro-altgeräte register (ear foundation)
- Goal: Deregulation through the transfer of sovereign tasks to the responsibility of the private sector

Tasks of the recipients:
- registration of manufacturers and the quantity of EEE placed on the market by each manufacturer
- Examination of disposal guarantees
- Issuing of provision orders for empty and collection orders for full collection containers

Tasks of legal and technical supervision:
- Supervised intervention against unlawful and/or inappropriate actions of the ear foundation in the area of the sovereign tasks assigned by the loan
- Examination of legal complaints by third parties
- Ensuring compliance with procedural and data protection regulations
- Budgetary audit of the fee-financed areas of the ear foundation
- Processing and deciding on appeals against administrative acts of the ear foundation

Stand: 19.07.2019