

WEEE Policy

Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment (WEEE) Returns

In the European Union (EU), waste from electrical and electronic equipment (WEEE) is now subject to legislation designed to prevent the disposal of such waste and to encourage proper treatment measures to minimize the amount of waste ultimately disposed to landfill. The objective of the EU WEEE Directive is to preserve, protect and improve the quality of the environment. In particular, the EU WEEE Directive 2002/96/EC (the WEEE Directive) requires that 'Producers' of electronic equipment be responsible for the collection, reuse, recycling and treatment of WEEE which the Producer places on the EU market after August 13, 2005. Audiophilia, as an electronics retailer, endeavours to meet these environmental responsibilities for managing WEEE. In so doing, Audiophilia is providing the following information for its customers about Audiophilia's WEEE collection process.

Take back Policy (UK)

To comply with the EU WEEE Directive, the UK government has implemented the Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment Regulations 2006 (Statutory Instrument 2006 No. 3289). Audiophilia is providing a product take back process to cover, treatment, recovery and disposal of all electrical and electronic equipment sold to our business customers (B2B) in the UK on and after August 13, 2005. Audiophilia will also provide a take back process for 'like for like' electrical and electronic equipment as part of any new sale. ('Like for Like' is defined as any brand of equipment being replaced by new Audiophilia equipment providing the same basic function). For example, a customer purchasing a new slit lamp from Audiophilia will be able to have their old slit lamp disposed of by Audiophilia.

Audiophilia WEEE Take back Process

Labelled WEEE

If you have purchased electrical or electronic products from Audiophilia in the UK on and after August 13, 2005, and are intending to discard these products at the end of their useful life, please do not dispose of them with your other household or municipal waste. To remind you that old electrical equipment can be recycled, it is now labelled with the WEEE label (crossed out wheellie bin) to alert our customers that products bearing this label should not be disposed of in a landfill or with municipal or household waste. Instead, please be aware that Audiophilia is providing a goods return and treatment facility available to you

for recycling these products. Audiophilia will take back the labelled electrical product and its associated cables.

To help in the proper handling of electronic products at the end of their useful life, Audiophilia requests you return those products using the instructions provided here, so that the products can be delivered, or collected, dismantled for reuse and recycling, and properly treated. To return these products to Audiophilia, please phone +44 (0) 131 221 9753.

Note: Only authorised WEEE returns will be accepted. You will be requested to ensure the items are sufficiently packaged – correctly labelled and limited in overall weight, before delivery or collection will be accepted. If you are unable to deliver the EEE to our facility or have no shipping facilities of your own, Audiophilia can provide a competitively priced collection.

Historical WEEE:

Historical waste is defined as WEEE purchased before August 13,2005.

End of life historical WEEE supplied by Audiophilia:

The WEEE Directive does not legislate that Audiophilia, as a ‘producer’, shall collect ‘end of life’ historical WEEE unless it is being replaced by new Audiophilia equipment on a like for like basis. This ‘end of life’ WEEE should be recycled appropriately by the owner who should use proper treatment and recycling measures. It should not be disposed to landfill. If you would like Audiophilia to help you with its disposal, Audiophilia will consider making arrangements for your ‘end of life’ product and a WEEE management fee will apply.

Like for like replacement historical WEEE:

Under the WEEE Directive Audiophilia is obliged to provide a take back process for ‘any brand’ purchased before August 13, 2005 on a ‘like for like’ basis (like for like – is defined as any brand of equipment being replaced by a new Audiophilia purchase of equipment providing the same basic function.). For example, a customer purchasing a new amplifier from Audiophilia will be able to have their old amplifier disposed of by Audiophilia.