### WasteDataFlow GN20: How to avoid double counting of toppage counting of tonnages

This fact sheet summarises areas within WasteDataFlow with the potential for double counting tonnages, both between WDA/WCA in two tier areas and within individual WDF returns.

Potential areas of double counting between two tier authorities				
Туре	Question	Notes		
Abandoned Vehicles	25	The authority who is responsible for disposal of abandoned vehicles should submit this data in their return. In two tier authorities this is usually the WDA, but often the WDA contracts this responsibility to the WCA. In this case the WCA should report the data.		
Civic Amenity and Bring Sites (WDA)	14	A WDA should not include data for a CA Site which is operated by their WCA. Bring sites provided by a WCA that are co-located at CA sites operated by the WDA should be reported by the WCA.		
Civic Amenity Sites (WCA)	16	A WCA should not include data for a CA Site which is operated by their WDA.		
Fridge/Freezers	26	Two tier authorities need to liaise to ensure that double counting does not occur. As the question relates to ultimate disposal, this will usually be completed by the WDA.		
Organic waste treatment	100	The method of treatment is recorded by the WCA in Qu100 under the appropriate treatment type:  • Anaerobic or Aerobic Digestion Segregated (Qu61),  • In-vessel Composting (Qu62), or  • Windrow or other Composting (Qu63).  The WDA does not record the composting activity of its WCAs and so should only record in Qu100 the tonnages relating to composting it has collected.		
Back-allocation of recyclates recovered from residual waste treatment	23/ 100	This occurs where WCAs collect waste and send it for treatment to the WDA which recovers some recyclates and allocates the recovered tonnages to the WCAs.  The WCAs record the total tonnage collected in the relevant category in Qu23 and then record the recyclates only in Qu100 using Material from WDA as the Facility/ Process Type (this allows the material to be identified as also being recorded in the WDA's Q100 tree – the only time this is expected to occur).  The WDA records the total tonnage collected by all their WCAs in the relevant category in Qu23 and then records the treatment/ disposal of all the material (waste and recyclates) in Qu100.		

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Potential areas of double counting within a single WasteDataFlow return					
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Rejects from recycling (collected)	All collection questions	If tonnages of materials are rejected at the point of collection, these should be reported as a reject in the collection questions. These should <u>not</u> be included in Qu100 under the MRF, reprocessor, landfill, incineration or any form of disposal or treatment nodes.			
Rejects from a MRF or Reprocessors	100	Material rejected from the MRF (either gate rejects or process rejects) should not be double counted in any further rejects which may occur at the gate of the reprocessor. In the example below the material rejected from the MRF (circled in red) is separate to the material rejected from the reprocessor (highlighted in yellow).  Materials recovery facility (qu58): 200 Tonnes Comingled recyclate: Armstrong Waste Management Ltd PPCIA/1025270  Reprocessor - recycling (qu19): 80 Tonnes Dry recyclate Biffa Leicester Ltd  Non-hazardous landfill: 20 Tonnes Contamination (gate rejects) Hills Waste Solutions Ltd  Reprocessor - recycling (qu19): 40 Tonnes Dry recyclate Glass Recycling (U K) Ltd  Final Destination: 40 Tonnes Dry recyclate Nottinghamshire Recycling Ltd  Final Destination: 50 Tonnes Dry recyclate Incineration with energy recovery: 20 Tonnes Contamination (process rejects) Lakeside Energy From Waste Limited  Reprocessor - recycling (qu19): 4 Tonnes Incinerator bottom ash Other/Exempt  Final Destination: 4 Tonnes Dry recyclate  16 Tonnes Process loss  Non-hazardous landfill: 10 Tonnes Contamination (process rejects) Barr Limited			
Rejects from organic waste treatment (WDA/UA)  (further guidance available in the Organic Waste guidance note GN16)	Collection questions/ 100	<ul> <li>Organic waste is reported as collected in the appropriate collection questions, and sent for composting/treatment in Qu100.</li> <li>Rejects at the point of collection should be reported in the collection questions.</li> <li>Rejects at the gate of the reprocessor, or which occur as a whole batch reject should be reported in Qu100 under the Contamination (gate rejects) Output Waste Type.</li> <li>You are not required to report rejections which occur after the organic material has been accepted into the treatment facility. Rejects from the pre-screening process can be reported in Qu100 under the Contamination (process rejects) Output Waste Type.</li> <li>Post composting screening rejects should not be reported in</li> </ul>			

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Landfill/ EfW tonnage	Collection questions/ 100	Any rejections to a disposal point e.g. to landfill or incineration occurring at the point of collection or as part of a treatment process (e.g. rejects from the MRF, MBT, organic waste treatment, other treatment method) should not be recorded as sent for disposal again under a primary landfill or incineration node.  Any rejects to landfill or incineration reported within a specific			
		collection question or node in Qu100, stay in that question / node and are not reported elsewhere in WDF.			
Residual waste treatment	100	Qu100 opens up question elements relating to the treatment of residual waste to WCAs which were previously not available, such as landfill options (previously Qu51-53), MBT (previously Qu59) etc. However, it is not expected that a WCA will now take over the responsibility for reporting these from the WDA. In fact doing so will likely lead to double-counting of these operations as the WDA will still be recording them.  Therefore as a general rule we ask that WCAs only report the following facility/process types at the root/primary level:  Material Reprocessing Facility (MRF) (Qu58)  Reprocessor – Recycling (Qu19)  Exporter – Recycling  Reuse (Qu35)  Exporter – Reuse  Anaerobic or Aerobic Digestion Segregated (Qu61)  In-vessel Composting (Qu62)  Windrow or other Composting (Qu63)  There are situations where a WCA has some responsibility for the treatment of their residual waste. If you believe this relates to your authority and wish to use additional elements of your waste			
		treatment of their residual waste. If you believe this relates to you			