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Amendments to 181/13

Section	Change
	Editorial to align style with EIGA style manual
	Update to reflect current legislation
5.4	Added reference to REACH regulation

NOTE Technical changes from the previous edition are underlined

1 Introduction

This publication provides guidance to EIGA members on compliance of gas cylinders with Directive 94/62/EC on *packaging and packaging waste* (as amended) on the prevention of packaging waste [1].¹

2 Scope and purpose

2.1 Scope

This publication provides guidance on compliance with Directive 94/62/EC on the prevention of packaging waste for gas cylinders [1].

2.2 Purpose

The publication provides guidance to EIGA members on the consistent and practical implementation of the packaging waste directive and to help ensure that member states' implementation does not duplicate or conflict with existing regulations concerning the management of gas cylinders.

3 Definitions

For the purpose of this publication, the following definitions apply.

3.1 Publication terminology

3.1.1 Shall

Indicates that the procedure is mandatory. It is used wherever the criterion for conformance to specific recommendations allows no deviation.

3.1.2 Should

Indicates that a procedure is recommended.

3.1.3 May

Indicates that the procedure is optional.

3.1.4 Will

Is used only to indicate the future, not a degree of requirement.

3.1.5 Can

Indicates a possibility or ability.

3.2 Technical definitions

3.2.1 Packing waste

Article 3 (1) of Directive 94/62/EC defines packaging for purposes of this directive as [1]:

'Packaging' shall mean all products made of any materials of any nature to be used for the containment, protection, handling, delivery and presentation of goods, from raw materials to processed goods, from the producer to the user or the consumer. 'Non-returnable' items used for the same purposes shall also be considered to constitute packaging.

¹ References are shown by bracketed numbers and are listed in order of appearance in the reference section.