

L.N. 384 of 2012

**ENVIRONMENT AND DEVELOPMENT PLANNING ACT
(CAP. 504)**

Waste (Amendment) Regulations, 2012

IN EXERCISE of the powers conferred by articles 61 and 62 of the Environment and Development Planning Act, the Minister for Tourism, Culture and the Environment, after consultation with the Malta Environment and Planning Authority, has made the following regulations:-

1. The title of these regulations is the Waste (Amendment) Regulations, 2012, and these regulations shall be read and construed as one with the Waste Regulations, hereinafter referred to as "the principal regulations".

Citation.

S.L. 504.37

2. Immediately after the definition "industrial waste" in regulation 4 of the principal regulations, there shall be added the following new definition:

Amends regulation 4 of the principal regulations.

" "inert waste" means waste that does not undergo any significant physical, chemical or biological transformations. Inert waste will not dissolve, burn or otherwise chemically react, biodegrade or adversely affect other matter with which it comes into contact in a way likely to give rise to environmental pollution or harm human health. The total leachability and pollutant content of the waste and the ecotoxicity of the leachate must be insignificant, and in particular not endanger the quality of surface water and, or groundwater;".

3. Immediately after sub-regulation (10) of regulation 14 of the principal regulations, there shall be added the following new sub-regulation:

Amends regulation 14 of the principal regulations.

"(11) The competent authority may allow deviations from the provisions of this regulation in cases where the competent authority deems that the waste needs to be managed without undue delay, in an effort to minimise potential threats to the environment, humans and other living organisms. In such cases, the competent authority shall require the producer or holder of the waste to ensure traceability from production to final destination."

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Amends
Schedule 4 to
the principal
regulations.

4. For paragraph 2 of Part 1 of Schedule 4 to the principal regulations, there shall be substituted the following:

"2. Preliminary storage of waste pending collection, at the place of production."

