

Scrap Metal Dealers Act 2013

The new Scrap Metal Dealers Act will be implemented across England and Wales on 1 October 2013 and will be enforced from 1 December 2013. If you are a Scrap Metal Dealer, Motor Salvage Operator or Vehicle Dismantler and you run a business, a site or you are a mobile/itinerant collector you will be subject to the changes in the new Act and will require a licence to trade

You need to;

- Apply for a basic criminal record checks from Disclosure Scotland for all your site managers, directors, company secretaries, shadow directors and partners, or for yourself if you are a collector.
- Submit the completed application accompanied with the correct licence fee and the Basic Disclosure certificate to your local authority for a site or collector's* licence, from 1 October and before the 15 October deadline.
- If you are already registered with the council as a Scrap Metal Dealer, Motor Salvage Operator or Itinerant Collector and you apply between these dates you will then be issued automatically with a temporary licence. This temporary licence will be valid until 1 December while the council processes your application.

If you operate without a new licence after 1 December 2013, you may be subject to prosecution under the new Act and face a fine or be subject of a Closure Order.

* If you are a mobile collector, you will need licences for every local authority area in which you operate.

Licence and fee guidance can be found at
www.gov.uk and www.disclosurescotland.co.uk/apply

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