

**WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE MINISTER FOR INFRASTRUCTURE
BY DEPUTY I. GARDINER OF ST. HELIER NORTH
QUESTION SUBMITTED ON MONDAY 8th JULY 2024
ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON TUESDAY 16th JULY 2024**

Question

“In relation to single use lithium batteries, will the Minister advise what processes are in place for their safe disposal and whether any accidents or incidents have occurred at the Island’s recycling facilities, or energy from waste plant, due to these batteries being disposed of with general waste?”

Answer

Provision for the disposal of single use lithium batteries is facilitated through two established routes:

Drop off point at Household Recycling Centre (HRC);

Battery tube drop off points at various locations around the Island (currently 114 sites).

Lithium batteries are segregated from other chemistry types (Alkaline/Nickel Cadmium) when moved to the lower yard area of the HRC. Here they are packaged by chemistry type into ADR (International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Road) compliant containers and stored separately pending shipping to a treatment facility. The shipping and treatment of the batteries is carried out under EU Waste Shipment Regulations and a Transfrontier Shipment Notification (TFS) is required to cover these movements.

There have been no recorded accidents or incidents at the HRC or the Energy Recovery Facility due to single use lithium batteries