

TO: ALL MEMBERS

**IMPLEMENTATION OF NEW GUIDELINES ON IMPORTATION AND INSPECTION
OF WASTE PLASTICS BY SIRIM**

We wish to inform you that **SIRIM QAS International has issued new guidelines** pertaining to the importation and inspection procedures of waste plastics into Malaysia. These guidelines are part of ongoing efforts to strengthen environmental safeguards, improve traceability, and enhance compliance throughout the plastics waste importation process. This move is aligned with Malaysia's obligations under the [**BASEL CONVENTION ON THE CONTROL OF TRANSBOUNDARY MOVEMENTS OF HAZARDOUS WASTES AND THEIR DISPOSAL**](#), particularly the amendments related to plastic waste, including the transboundary movement of specific categories such as Y46, Y48, and B3011.

Previously, the National Solid Waste Management Department (JPSPN) was responsible for managing the procedures and addressing concerns related to the importation of waste plastics. However, following a series of engagements and consultations, the importation of waste plastics into Malaysia is regulated by the Ministry of Investment, Trade and Industry (MITI) and now subject to the issuance of a Certificate of Approval (COA) by SIRIM, in accordance with the [**CUSTOMS \(PROHIBITION OF IMPORTS\) \(AMENDMENT\) ORDER 2025**](#) ("the Order").

To facilitate compliance with the Order, the [**GUIDELINES FOR THE IMPORTATION AND INSPECTION OF WASTE PLASTIC**](#) have been established. SIRIM will be implementing the inspection process and issuing COAs in accordance with these guidelines.

Please take note of the following key dates:

1. **Tuesday, 1 July 2025 – Start of interim period:** Under the amended customs act, all importers are expected to begin aligning with the new procedures.
2. **Wednesday, 1 October 2025 – Full enforcement of the new guidelines.**

We strongly encourage all members to review the guidelines thoroughly and ensure that all importation activities comply with the updated procedures to avoid any disruptions or non-compliance issues.

Should you require further clarification or support, please do not hesitate to contact MPMA at E: nurhanis@mpma.org.my or SIRIM QAS International at scrap@sirim.my.

Thank you.

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