### SOPs for E-Waste Refurbisher [Information Required for Registration of E-Waste refurbisher on the Portal under E- Waste (Management) Rules, 2022]



# **Central Pollution Control Board**

Waste Management Division-III (Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change, Government of India) 'Parivesh Bhawan', East Arjun Nagar

## 1.0 Background:

MoEF&CC has notified E-Waste (Management) Rules, 2022 vide notification No. GSR 801(E) dated November 02, 2022. The rules are effective from April 01, 2023 and have superseded existing E-Waste (M) Rules 2016. The rules intend to manage e-waste in an environmentally sound manner(ESM) and also promote Circular Economy through the regime of Extended Producer Responsibility(EPR).

## 1.1 Entities under Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) Framework:

The E-Waste (M) Rules,2022 stipulate EPR framework [Rule 4 (1)] for implementation of these Rules. The EPR frame work provides for the following four types of entities namely:

- (a) manufacturer;
- (b) producer;
- (c) refurbisher; and
- (d) recycler

The above entities are required to register on the portal which is defined vide Rule 3 (1)(s) as an online system developed by the Central Pollution Control Board for the purposes of these rules. In case any entity falls in more than one categories as above then the entity has to register under those categories separately. No entity will carry out any business without registration. The entities registered on the portal shall not deal with any unregistered manufacturer, producer, recycler and refurbisher.

## **1.2 Refurbisher as defined in the E-Waste (Management) Rules, 2022:**

Any person or entity repairing or assembling used electrical and electronic equipment as listed in Schedule-I for extending its working life over its originally intended life and for same use as originally intended, and selling the same in the market.

# 2.0 Registration of refurbisher on the Portal;

- a) All the application for registration has to be made on-line through the designated portal available at the URL: <u>https://eprewastecpcb.in</u>
- b) The validity of registration will be of five (05) Years from the date of grant of Registration on the EPR Portal.
- c) In case of incomplete application, all the shortcomings will be communicated through the portal to the **refurbisher** within 30 working days of receiving of the application on the portal. **refurbisher** has to reply within 07 working days on the portal. On receiving of the reply on the portal the application will be processed.

### Part A

### Section 1: Basic Information

For Registration under above the said Rules, the **refurbisher** have to submit on the portal following basic information and documents/declaration/affidavits:

- i. Name of the company
- ii. Details of the recycling facility
  - a. Address
  - b. Geo coordinates
  - c. Email id
  - d. Contact number: (Mobile & landline)
  - e. Year of establishment
  - f. CTE under air and water act (number and date of issue)
  - g. CTO under air and water act (number and date of issue)
  - Authorization under Hazardous and Other Waste (Management and Transboundary Movement) Rules, 2016 (number and date of issue) (Optional)
  - i. PAN Number
  - j. GST Number
  - k. CIN Number (optional)
- iii. Details of authorized person
  - a. Name, Designation, Email & Mobile Number of authorized person
  - b. Aadhar number of authorized person(optional)

## Section 2. Documents in support of basic information

Following documents to be uploaded:

- i. Copy of CTE under water and air act issued by concerned SPCB/PCC
- ii. Copy of the CTO under water and air act issued by concerned SPCB/PCC
- iii. Copy of Authorization under Hazardous and Other Waste (Management and Transboundary Movement) Rules, 2016 issued by concerned SPCB/PCC (Optional)
- iv. PAN Card
- v. GST Certificate
- vi. Incorporation Certificate if available (optional)
- vii. Aadhar Card of authorized person (optional)

## Section 3: Details of refurbishing

- 1. Details of E-Waste The refurbisher have to provide details of Waste EEE items for which it wishes to have Registration:
- Refurbishing Capacity in Tonnes per Year: (As per CTO)

   Documents to be attached.
  - a. Refurbishing capacity in terms of EEE
  - b. Geotagged Video of the unit with all plant and machinery (to ensure operational /active Video link- Inactive Video Link after grant of registration will be considered as willful concealment of information)
  - c. Self-Declaration on submission of authentic data (as per template given at Annexure-I). The self-declaration will also include confirmation that adequate occupational safety/Health and fire safety measures have been taken in the plant. (On the company's letter head with signature of authorized person & company seal)

The refurbisher will be provided registration on the EPR Portal on the basis of information/document/ geo tagged Video provided by the applicant refurbisher on the EPR Portal within 30 working days. Physical/virtual inspection of the refurbishing unit for verification of documents and facilities and their claims will be carried out by CPCB/SPCBs/PCCs after grant of registration on the EPR Portal.

# 3.0 Digital Checklist for evaluation of application for refurbisher

The following digital check list on the portal will be used for evaluation of applications for registration. CPCB will specify short-comings if any in remarks column and digital copy of the check list will be forward through the portal to applicant refurbisher The applicant refurbisher can see the check list using his log in credentials on the portal after CPCB sends it.

# Digital Checklist for evaluation of Application for Refurbisher Registration

S.No	Details of information required	Provide d (Yes / No)	Remarks
1.	Name and full address along with telephone, GST and PAN number, e-mail and other contact details of refurbisher (Address of the refurbishing facility location – Also in GST Certificate the address should be the address of refurbishing facility location).		
2.	Name of the Authorized Person and full address with e-mail, telephone, PAN & Aadhar number)		

S.No	Details of information required	Provide d (Yes / No)	Remarks
3.	List of documents to be uploaded: i. Copy of CTE & CTO ii. Copy of Authorisation under HOW(M&TM) Rules, 2016 (Optional) iii. Geo coordinates iv. PAN (Company and Authorized person) v. GST vi. Aadhar (Optional) vii. Geo tag Video of the refurbishing facility		
4.	<ul> <li>Basic details</li> <li>List of EEE to be refurbished</li> <li>Annual refurbishing capacity (As per CTO)</li> </ul>		
i 5.	Self-Declaration on submission of authentic data. The self-declaration will also include confirmation that adequate occupational safety/Health and fire safety measures have been taken in the plant. (On the company's letter head with signature of authorized person & company seal)		

# 4.0 Guidance to applicant refurbisher seeking Registration under E-Waste (Management) Rules, 2022 for filling on line application on the Portal [URL: <u>https://eprewastecpcb.in]</u> for grant of Registration and issue of Registration certificates

The following table will provide guidance to applicant **refurbisher** in filling up Application on the portal for Registration and EPR Targets/Obligation

S. No	Information sought	Guidance for providing information
1.	Name and full address of the refurbisher along with telephone, GST and PAN number, e-mail and other contact details of Refurbisher (Address of the refurbishing facility location – Also in GST Certificate the address should be the address of refurbishing facility location).	<ul> <li>i) The address should be the place where the refurbishing facility is located. Do note that address given by the applicant in its supporting documents i.e., CTE, CTO and Authorisation, GST Certificate, should be same as the address given in sign up form</li> <li>ii) The contact information i. e. phone number, mobile number, e-mail provided should be functional and readily accessible by the applicant.</li> </ul>
2.	Name of the Authorized Person and full address with e-mail, telephone, PAN & Aadhar number)	<ul> <li>i. Provide name of authorized person along with its full postal address, e-mail id, mobile number, landline number.</li> <li>ii. It is always better to have alternate authorized persons and his/her required details.</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>iii. The authorized person can be the person who will be managing /handling the refurbishing operation and facility.</li> <li>iv. In case of change of authorized person, the refurbisher has to inform CPCB about the same immediately.</li> <li>Note: Any communication regarding status/processing of the application will be done only with the authorized person of the company. CPCB will not interact with any other person other than authorized person (s).</li> </ul>
3.	List of documents to be uploaded: i. Copy of CTE & CTO ii. Copy of Authorisation HOW(M&TM) Rules, 2016 (Optional) iii. Geo coordinates iv. PAN (Company and Authorized person) v. GST vi. Aadhar (Optional) vii. Geo tagged Video of the recycling facility	<ul> <li>i. Refurbisher have to upload on the portal, scan copy of their CTE, CTO, Authorisation, geo coordinates, PAN, GST Aadhar and Video of refurbishing facility</li> <li>ii. (Address in GST/ CTO, Authorisation should be as per address given in sign up form.)</li> <li>(The Refurbisher is also required to ensure that the address in above documents should be the place where refurbishing facility is located).</li> </ul>

4.	Basic Details	Refurbishers are required to select EEE which can
		be refurbished at their facility

S. No	Information sought	Guidance for providing information
		Annual refurbishing capacity as per CTO
5.	Self-declaration	Self-Declaration on submission of authentic data (as per template given at Annexure-I). The self- declaration will also include confirmation that adequate occupational safety/Health and fire safety measures have been taken in the plant. (On the company's letter head with signature of authorized person & company seal)

### 5.0 Target Time and modality of granting registration

- i. CPCB shall examine the applications for registration of refurbisher so received on the portal and respond with digital check-list through the portal within **30 working days** in case of incomplete applications. A digital check list of short comings will be issued through the portal by the concerned Division of the CPCB. The applicant refurbisher can see the digital checklist of short comings by logging on the portal using their login credentials.
- ii. CPCB **shall grant Registration** to refurbisher after evaluation of refurbisher's application submitted with respect to the required information as per this SOP within **30 working days after ensuring that application is complete in all respect**.
- iii. CPCB shall conduct verification of the refurbishing facility within 120 working days from granting the registration on the EPR Portal either through physical or video conferencing mode. The physical verification will be for confirming the information provided by the applicant refurbisher.
- iv. In case of non-confirmation, the registration will be suspended after issuing notices and seeking explanation from the refurbisher and after giving opportunity for hearing to the refurbisher before the Approving Authority, CPCB
- v. The grant of refurbisher registration will be in the form of a digital certificate through the portal based on information/documents provided by the refurbisher and will be issued after verification.

### 6.0 Grant of Registration on the portal and issue of registration certificates

- i. Divisional Head, WM-III Division CPCB shall be the Approving Authority for grant of refurbisher registration and for amendments in the refurbisher registration.
- ii. The concerned Division of CPCB shall evaluate the application on the portal as per this SOP. Once the application found complete as per the SOP, the Divisional Head will approve the application.

## 7.0 Revocation of Registration

As per Rule 4(5) of the E-Waste (M) Rules, 2022, registration of registered entity (refurbisher) will be revoked, by the Central Pollution Control Board if it is found that the registered entity has furnished false information or willfully concealed information for getting registration or return or report or information required to be provided or furnished under these rules or in case of any irregularity found, for a period up to three-years after giving an opportunity to be heard and in addition, environmental compensation charges

may be levied as per rule 22 of the above said rules.

## 8.0 Appeal

- i. As per Rule 21 E-Waste (M) Rules, 2022 any person aggrieved by an order of revocation of registration passed by the Central Pollution Control Board, within a period of thirty days from the date on which the order is communicated to him, prefer an appeal to the Additional Secretary or Joint Secretary, Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change duly nominated by the Central Government in this regard.
- **ii.** The Appellate Authority may entertain the appeal after expiry of the said period of thirty days if it is satisfied that the appellant was prevented by sufficient cause from filing the appeal in time.

## 9.0 Verification and Audit

The Central Pollution Control Board by itself or through SPCB or through a designated agency shall verify compliance of refurbisher through inspection and periodic audit, as deemed appropriate and the actions against violations and for non-fulfilment of extended producer responsibility target, obligations and responsibilities shall be in accordance with the rule 24 of the E-Waste (Management) Rules, 2022.

## 9.0 Registration Fee:

Registration fee will be charged from the refurbisher as per the fee structure given at Annexure II

### Annexure-I

### **Self-Declaration**

Dated:

We, M/s \_\_\_\_\_\_ hereby declare that information provided for registration as a refurbisher on the EPR E-Waste portal under E-Waste (Management) Rules, 2022 are true to the best of our knowledge and belief and that it conceals nothing and that no part of it is false.

We, M/s ------ also hereby declare and confirm that adequate occupational safety/Health and fire safety measures have been taken in the refurbishing.

We also hereby undertake that all the responsibilities of correctness of information as provided will be ours. In case of any data and information found false or misleading at any stage, actions as per the rules may be initiated against us.

(Name and Signature of the Authorized Person) Designation:

**Company Seal** 

(Hint: On the company's letter head with signature of authorized person & company seal)

# Annexure-II

The fee structure for registration of Refurbisher and Annual Maintenance Charges for all stakeholders for registration on EPR Portal under E-Waste (Management) Rules, 2022

S. No	User Type	Activity	Registration fee/charges (Rs.)
2	Refurbisher	New Refurbusher (1 <sup>st</sup> time registration- valid for five years)	15,000/-
		Renewal of registration- (after five years)	7,500/- + 0.625/MT for quantity of Refurbishing certificate transaction in the preceding five years
		In case of any amendments/addendum	3,000/-
4	Annual Maintenance charges for all stake holders	Annual Maintenance charges for Producers, Recycler, Refurbisher and Manufacturer	5,000/-