

Respondent Information Form

# Your response

Please complete this form if you are not responding to our Consultation on our Objective and Principles for Regulating Radioactive Substances consultation [via our online consultation hub.](https://consultation.sepa.org.uk/communications/easr_charging_scheme_2024)

Once complete, please submit this form to [radioactivesubstance@sepa.org.uk](mailto:radioactivesubstance@sepa.org.uk)

# Handling your response

By submitting your response to this consultation, you give SEPA permission to analyse and include your response in our results.

We would like to know if you are happy for your response to be made public. If you ask for your response not to be published, it will be regarded as confidential and treated in accordance with SEPA’s published [Privacy Policy](https://www.sepa.org.uk/help/privacy-policy/).

# About You

1. What is your name? (Optional)

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1. What is your email address? (Optional)

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1. (a) Are you responding to this consultation on behalf of yourself, or a business or organisation? (Required)

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(b) If you are responding on behalf of a business or organisation, please provide the name below:

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1. Are you happy for us to publish your response to this consultation?Please delete as appropriate: Yes / No
2. How easy do you find the guidance to read?
   1. Very easy
   2. Somewhat easy
   3. Neither easy nor difficult
   4. Somewhat difficult
   5. Very difficult

Do you have any suggestions to make the policy statement easier to read? If so, please describe below.

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1. How easy do you find the guidance to understand?
   1. Very easy
   2. Somewhat easy
   3. Neither easy nor difficult
   4. Somewhat difficult
   5. Very difficult

Do you have any suggestions to make the policy statement easier to understand? If so, please describe below.

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1. How much do you agree or disagree that the policy statement is internally consistent?
2. Strongly agree
3. Agree
4. Neither agree nor disagree
5. Disagree
6. Strongly disagree

Do you have any suggestions to make the guidance more consistent?

If so, please describe below.

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1. Do the requirements set out in the guidance cover all the areas that should be addressed?
   1. Yes
   2. No

If no, please can you tell us more?

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1. How much do you agree this guidance will support SEPA in fulfilling our statutory obligations regarding sustainable use of resources?
   1. Strongly agree
   2. Agree
   3. Neither agree nor disagree
   4. Disagree
   5. Strongly disagree

Do you have any suggestions to make the guidance more supportive of our statutory obligations regarding sustainable use of resources?

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1. To improve our alignment with international best practice and respond to recommendations provided by the International Atomic Energy Authority (IAEA) we have included specific requirements in our draft guidance on isolation and containment (requirements 8 and 9). Are these new requirements clear and is sufficient detail provided?
   1. Yes
   2. No

If no, please can you tell us more?

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1. To take account of developments over the last decade we have included a new requirement in our guidance on assessing natural disruptive processes (requirement 17). Is this new requirement clear and is sufficient detail provided?
   1. Yes
   2. No

If no, please can you tell us more

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1. Does the section titled ‘Guidance on modelling’ (in part 3) contain useful information at a suitable level of detail?
   1. Yes
   2. No

If no, please can you tell us more?

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1. Is the guidance on groundwater protection (part 4) clear and is it well enough integrated with the rest of the guidance?
   1. Yes
   2. No

If no, please can you tell us more?

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1. Do you want to say anything more about how the guidance presents or explains our requirements?

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1. Have you any suggestions for improving or expanding on our requirements, so that they are sufficient to help us meet our objectives for regulating radioactive substances activities?

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