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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2009 No. 890**

**The Waste Batteries and Accumulators Regulations 2009**

**PART 4**

**PORTABLE BATTERIES: OBLIGATIONS AND RIGHTS OF  
DISTRIBUTORS AND OTHER ECONOMIC OPERATORS**

**Take back**

**31.**—(1) A distributor of portable batteries must, at any place it supplies such batteries to end-users,—

- (a) take back waste portable batteries at no charge; and
- (b) inform end-users about the possibility of such take back at the distributor's sales points.

(2) A distributor may not—

- (a) make any charge to end-users; or
- (b) oblige end-users to buy a new battery,

when accepting waste portable batteries under paragraph (1)(a).

(3) The duty in paragraph (1) does not apply where portable batteries are supplied by a small distributor.

(4) A distributor must not dispose of, or arrange for the disposal of, waste portable batteries accepted under paragraph (1)(a).

(5) In this regulation “small distributor” means a distributor who supplies less than 32 kg of portable batteries to end-users in a year.