

Waste Classification Schemes

Country: SPAIN

Reporting Year: 2009

Waste Class Matrix: **IAEA Def.**

This country does use the IAEA Scheme: No

Description: The Agency's standard matrix

Waste Class Name	Distribution %			
	VLLW	LLW	ILW	HLW
VLLW	100.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
LLW	0.0	100.0	0.0	0.0
ILW	0.0	0.0	100.0	0.0
HLW	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0

Comment **# 132: use of the IAEA Def matrix**

The CSN (see Regulators) is the only body in Spain responsible for radiation protection and nuclear safety, regardless of the type of radioactive material or waste. Thus, the CSN has competence over all type of waste (Matrix IAEA Def.- LILW-SL, LILW-LL, HLW).

The Ministry of Industry, Tourism and Trade is responsible for defining the policy and for establishing the regulations on radioactive waste, so it has competence over all type of waste (Matrix IAEA Def.- LILW-SL, LILW-LL, HLW).

Comment **# 349: explanation of classes used**

Although no explicit definition exists for LILW-SL in regulations currently in force, limits are defined according to the safety objectives set by safety authorities for El Cabril near surface disposal facility.

Other waste exceeding these limits can be associated as LILW-LL and should be managed in a different way.

Waste Class Matrix: **SPAIN**

Yes

Description: RBBA = "residuos de muy baja actividad"
 RBMA = "residuos de baja y media actividad"
 RAA = "residuos de alta actividad"

Waste Class Name	Distribution %			
	VLLW	LLW	ILW	HLW
RBBA	100.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
RBMA	0.0	95.0	5.0	0.0
RAA	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0

Definition of «unprocessed waste» and «processed waste»:

This country uses the IAEA standard definition:

	as-generated waste	processed for handling	processed for storage	processed for disposal
Unprocessed means:	x			
Processed means:		x	x	x