

Waste management fee batteries and accumulators 2026

The waste management contribution applies to portable and industrial batteries and accumulators, including battery packs, as defined in the Battery Directive. Stichting OPEN reserves the right to make interim adjustments as deemed necessary.

Category	Types	Waste management fee Per battery, excluding VAT				
		Lithium/ lithium-ion	Lithium TCL ¹	Lead	NiMh	Others
I	Portable and industrial batteries Single-use (non-rechargeable) and rechargeable up to 50 gram, excl. button cells	€ 0.038	€ 0.306	€ 0.021	€ 0.016	€ 0.027
II	Portable and industrial batteries Single-use (non-rechargeable) and rechargeable 51 to 150 gram, excl. button cells	€ 0.184	€ 1.507	€ 0.111	€ 0.079	€ 0.143
III	Portable and industrial batteries Single-use (non-rechargeable) and rechargeable 151 to 250 gram	€ 0.368	€ 2.999	€ 0.197	€ 0.141	€ 0.252
	251 to 500 gram	€ 0.661	€ 5.397	€ 0.249	€ 0.289	€ 0.523
	501 to 750 gram	€ 1.103	€ 9.010	€ 0.302	€ 0.394	€ 0.712
	751 to 1000 gram	€ 1.690	€ 13.810	€ 0.354	€ 0.560	€ 1.011
V	Portable and industrial batteries Coin/button cells	€ 0.009	€ 0.076	€ 0.003	€ 0.003	€ 0.004
VI	Portable batteries single-use (non-rechargeable) and rechargeable heavier than 1000 gram²	€ 4.356	€ 35.582	€ 0.406	€ 1.073	€ 1.943
VII E-Bike	Industrial batteries (lithium-ion) used to power electric bicycles ³	€ 1.268 per kg				

¹ Lithium Thionyl Chloride (Li-SoCl₂) non-rechargeable

² As of 18 August 2025, in accordance with regulatory requirements, a battery weighing between 0 and 5,000 grams may be classified as portable.

³ This concerns the weight of the entire E-Bike battery (= see Battery pack)

Battery pack: batteries or groups of cells that are connected and/or encapsulated within an outer casing so as to form a complete unit ready for use that the end-user is not intended to split up or open (definition following the Battery Regulation). Please note; there is a difference between battery packs with or without a shock-resistant casing. If no shock-resistant casing, but visible cells in a shrink tube, this is considered a composed battery of which the number of cells and chemical system and weight per cell (and not the total weight of the pack) must be stated.