

# Food Waste In The UK

## The Impact on Manufacturers & Wholesalers



THE UK GENERATES MILLIONS OF TONNES OF FOOD WASTE ANNUALLY. HERE'S HOW IT AFFECTS BUSINESSES LIKE YOURS AND WHY COMPLIANCE WITH DEFRA'S NEW REGULATIONS IS ESSENTIAL.

### CATEGORY



**Industry Waste**



**Retail Food waste**



**Landfill Crisis**



**Air pollution**



**Food Recovery**

### STATISTICS

**3 million tonnes** of food waste come from manufacturers, wholesalers, hospitality, and retail sectors annually

Supermarkets alone waste **100,000 tonnes** of edible food per year.

**2.3 million tonnes** of food waste from businesses end up in landfills every year.

Each tonne of food waste in landfills generates **4.2 tonnes** of greenhouse gases.

**700,000 tonnes** of surplus food is currently redistributed to charities or repurposed for animal feed.

## THE BUSINESS IMPACT (WHY IT MATTERS)

**01.**

#### **Financial loss:**

The UK food industry loses billions annually due to wasted food.

**02.**

#### **Compliance risks:**

From March 31, 2025, businesses generating 5kg+ of food waste weekly must separate food waste or face penalties.

**03.**

#### **Consumer expectations:**

Customers demand sustainable practices—non-compliance risks brand reputation.

## THE SOLUTION (SAP BUSINESS ONE & COMPLIANCE)

### **TRACK & MINIMISE WASTE**

Automated inventory tracking & batch management reduce overproduction.

### **ENSURE COMPLIANCE**

Waste tracking & reporting helps meet DEFRA's new regulations

### **BOOST EFFICIENCY & PROFITABILITY**

Smart supply chain planning reduces unnecessary waste.

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