

4.9.11 Installations: Paper, Pulp and Textile Sector

The proposed permit categories and baseline charges for the paper, pulp and textile sector can be found in the tables of charges in the schedule to the charging scheme. Charges relating to permitting applications are in Part 1.9 of the application charges table; annual compliance charges are found in Part 2.9 of the subsistence charges table.

The sectors are mature, good performing and we are looking to maintain current levels of regulatory effort.

Individual charge changes are highly variable, as we shift away from current calculations to charges reflecting our regulatory activity. In future, sites that get the same regulatory scrutiny from us will pay the same charge – previously their charges would have varied due to the way we calculated charges based on attributes such as complexity and emissions.

For this very diverse sector we have proposed a 'component approach' with additional components that can apply as well as the base level subsistence. These are needed to cover the additional activities on site that require additional regulatory effort by us, whilst avoiding the need to produce numerous additional charge activity references for these sectors. Please see the charges scheme subsistence tables for further details.