

The following exclusion and exemption lists summarise guidance from European Union (EU) Directive 2015/2193 on Medium Combustion Plant and should be read in conjunction with the GHD 'Medium Combustion Plant Directive' Factsheet.

MCP Excluded List

- MCP covered by Chapter III or Chapter IV of Directive 2010/75/EU
- MCP covered by Directive 97/68/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council
- On-farm combustion plants with a total rated thermal input less than or equal to 5 MW, that exclusively use unprocessed poultry manure, as referred to in Article 9(a) of Regulation (EC) No 1069/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council (13), as a fuel
- MCP in which the gaseous products of combustion are used for the direct heating, drying or any other treatment of objects or materials
- MCP in which the gaseous products of combustion are used for direct gas-fired heating used to heat indoor spaces for the purpose of improving workplace conditions
- Post-combustion plants designed to purify the waste gases from industrial processes by combustion, and which are not operated as independent combustion plants
- Any technical apparatus used in the propulsion of a vehicle, ship or aircraft
- Gas turbines and gas and diesel engines, when used on offshore platforms
- Facilities for the regeneration of catalytic cracking catalysts
- Facilities for the conversion of hydrogen sulphide into sulphur
- Reactors used in the chemical industry
- Coke battery furnaces
- Cowpers
- Crematoria
- MCP firing refinery fuels alone or with other fuels for the production of energy within mineral oil and gas refineries
- Recovery boilers within installations for the production of pulp
- Research activities, development activities or testing activities relating to medium combustion plants

MCP Exempted List

Exempted from compliance with emission limit values for SO₂ and/or NO_x

- Existing MCP which do not operate more than 500 operating hours per year, as a rolling average over a period of five years
- Existing MCP with a rated thermal input greater than 5 MW where at least 50% of the useful heat production of the plant, as a rolling average over a period of five years, is delivered in the form of steam or hot water to a public network for district heating
- MCP firing solid biomass as the main fuel, which conform to assessments under Directive 2008/50/EC
- Existing MCP with a rated thermal input greater than 5 MW and which are used to drive gas compressor stations required to ensure the safety and security of a national gas transmission system

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