

# **Waste management: landfill**

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In general the Commission was satisfied as the common position had received the unanimous support of all the Member States. The Commission considers that the common position provides for a number of safeguards with respect to both existing and new landfills. In order to prevent and reduce waste disposal the common position includes specific measures concerning the type of waste which is disposed of in landfills. It includes provisions for controlling the opening, management, closure and monitoring of landfill sites together with provisions for acceptability of waste in landfills. However, the common position introduces more exemptions than were in the Commission proposal.