



## Changes to the way our fuel is sold and returned in preparation for new UK fuel duty legislation in April 2022

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From 1 April 2022, rebated (or 'red' diesel and 'red' HVO) fuel will only be available with certain limited exemptions. This is a HMRC legislation change outside of our control, disallowing the use of red fuels for power generation in most applications. As a result – we must reduce our stock levels of red fuels to aid the transition away from rebated fuels. We have therefore made some changes to our hire agreements over the next few months during the transition period. Please refer to the HMRC guidance for more information about the legislation:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/reform-of-red-diesel-entitlements/reform-of-red-diesel-and-other-rebated-fuels-entitlement>

### If you are returning hired equipment from 1-31 March 2022

- All equipment should be completely emptied of 'red' fuel and you will be charged in full for all fuel originally supplied as per our quotation.
- If you return red fuel in March, it will be disposed of and you will be charged in full, e.g, if a tank is returned half full of 'red' fuel, this will be disposed of and you will be charged in full for the fuel originally supplied as per our quotation.
- For the avoidance of doubt, we will not be operating a sale or return (or refund) policy for red fuels after 1 March 2022.
- If you wish to retain any fuel remaining in your hire equipment for use on your site and need assistance with this, please get in touch with us.





**For equipment remaining on hire through the 1 April 2022 deadline:**

- From 1 April 2022, all equipment must be refuelled with white diesel/white HVO only.
- Fuel tanks cannot be exchanged and instead will operate with a mix of red and white diesel until the end of hire.
- **Woodlands will issue an invoice dated 31 March 2022 for all red fuel still within hired equipment to be paid within our agreed terms.**
- All fuel tanks and generators should be returned empty at the end of the hire period.
- Any remaining fuel returned will be deemed as contaminated, disposed of and charged for as all returning tanks must be purged and cleaned.

**If you are hiring equipment from 1 April 2022:**

- All new hire equipment will be supplied with white diesel/white HVO.
- It is your responsibility to ensure white fuel is used to fill hire equipment and Woodlands will continue to provide a fuel management service to provide best value and supply continuity should you wish.
- We will then revert to a sale-or-return basis for fuel top-ups as previously offered as long as there are no contamination issues related to red fuel mixing.

**Our team is always available to answer your queries. If you have a question, please get in touch with your Woodlands contact.**

