

#### **4. Technical guidelines on the environmentally sound management of wastes consisting of, containing or contaminated with persistent organic pollutants**

1. As is mentioned in the note by the Secretariat on technical guidelines (UNEP/CHW.15/6), the following technical guidelines have been prepared by the Secretariat, in consultation with the small intersessional working group established by paragraph 9 of decision OEWG-I/4, for the consideration and possible adoption by the Conference of the Parties at its fifteenth meeting:
  - (a) General technical guidelines on the environmentally sound management of wastes consisting of, containing or contaminated with persistent organic pollutants (draft updated version of 4 March 2021) (UNEP/CHW.15/6/Add.1);
  - (b) Technical guidelines on the environmentally sound management of wastes consisting of, containing or contaminated with perfluorooctane sulfonic acid (PFOS), its salts and perfluorooctane sulfonyl fluoride (PFOSF) and perfluorooctanoic acid (PFOA), its salts and PFOA-related compounds (draft updated version of 5 March 2021) (UNEP/CHW.15/6/Add.2);
  - (c) Technical guidelines on the environmentally sound management of wastes consisting of, containing or contaminated with the pesticides aldrin, alpha hexachlorocyclohexane, beta hexachlorocyclohexane, chlordane, chlordecone, dicofol, dieldrin, endrin, heptachlor, hexachlorobenzene, hexachlorobutadiene, lindane, mirex, pentachlorobenzene, pentachlorophenol and its salts, perfluorooctane sulfonic acid, its salts and perfluorooctane sulfonyl fluoride, technical endosulfan and its related isomers or toxaphene or with hexachlorobenzene as an industrial chemical (draft updated version of 12 March 2021) (UNEP/CHW.15/6/Add.3).
2. Given that the issue related to the technical guidelines is to be considered by the Conference of the Parties during the face-to-face segment of its fifteenth meeting in 2022, Parties and observers are invited to provide comments on the above-mentioned technical guidelines by **15 November 2021**. The comments received by those deadlines will be made available on the Convention's website for consideration by the Conference of the Parties at its face-to-face segment.
3. The invitations for comments in relation to the above-mentioned technical guidelines are summarized below:

<b>Topic</b>	<b>Document symbol</b>	<b>Respondents</b>	<b>Initial deadline</b>	<b>Extended/new deadline</b>
Technical guidelines on the environmentally sound management of wastes consisting of, containing or contaminated with persistent organic pollutants	UNEP/CHW.15/6/Add.1	Parties Observers	N/A	<b>15 November 2021</b>
Technical guidelines on the environmentally sound management of wastes consisting of, containing or contaminated with perfluorooctane sulfonic acid (PFOS), its salts and perfluorooctane sulfonyl fluoride (PFOSF) and perfluorooctanoic acid (PFOA), its salts and PFOA-related compounds	UNEP/CHW.15/6/Add.2	Parties Observers	N/A	<b>15 November 2021</b>

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Technical guidelines on the environmentally sound management of wastes consisting of, containing or contaminated with the pesticides aldrin, alpha hexachlorocyclohexane, beta hexachlorocyclohexane, chlordane, chlordane, chlordecone, dicofol, dieldrin, endrin, heptachlor, hexachlorobenzene, hexachlorobutadiene, lindane, mirex, pentachlorobenzene, pentachlorophenol and its salts, perfluorooctane sulfonic acid, its salts and perfluorooctane sulfonyl fluoride, technical endosulfan and its related isomers or toxaphene or with hexachlorobenzene as an industrial chemical	UNEP/CHW.15/6/Add.3	Parties Observers	N/A	<b>15 November 2021</b>

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