



## **Why use BS EN 15713 –** *Compliant information destruction companies*

**With the wide range of products and services available within the Information Destruction industry, establishing whether a security provider complies to the relevant National and European standards should be an important part of the procurement process for companies of all sizes, to ensure the quality and reliability of the suppliers selected.**

### **What is BS EN 15713?**

BS EN 15713 is the British adoption of the European standard for the Information Destruction industry, which provides organisations with recommendations for the management and control of collection, transportation, destruction of confidential material and recycling to ensure such material is disposed of securely and safely.

### **Why is it important to employ BS EN 15713 – compliant companies?**

Putting your data destruction needs in the hands of a company that not only complies to BS EN 15713, but has it incorporated into their quality management system BS EN ISO 9001 and is inspected against it, is of critical importance to ensure the reliability of the services and products provided.

### ***Compliant companies:***

- Have demonstrated that their confidential destruction premises are secured and managed in the appropriate way, to avoid contamination or security breaches.
- Have a clear and accurate process in place to ensure all contracts with clients, suppliers and sub-contractors are up to standard.
- Will inform clients wherever sub contractors are used.
- Have undergone staff screening and vetting against British Standard BS 7858.
- Have in place tested, secure and appropriate processes for the collection, retention and destruction of confidential material.

### **How do I find a reliable Information Destruction company?**

All members of the British Security Industry Association's (BSIA) Information Destruction section work to BS EN 15713.

### ***Moreover, BSIA Information Destruction members:***

- Have solid industry experience and have been trading for at least two years.
- Are reliable, well-managed and financially sound companies.
- Meet the quality management standard BS EN ISO 9001.
- Adhere to a BSIA Code of Ethics as a further commitment to their customers.
- Are at the forefront of the industry setting standards and ensuring professionalism.

To find a reliable Information Destruction company near you, visit [www.bsia.co.uk](http://www.bsia.co.uk)





# About the **BSIA**

*The British Security Industry Association (BSIA) is the trade association for the professional security industry in the UK.*

*Our members are responsible for more than 70% of privately provided UK security products and services (by turnover) including the manufacture, distribution and installation of electronic and physical security equipment and the provision of security guarding and consultancy services.*

*Our members are industry professionals ranging in size from global companies to small and medium enterprises, offering quality products and services to a vast spectrum of end-users.*

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