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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION, ENGLAND AND WALES

The Producer Responsibility Obligations (Packaging Waste) (Amendment) (England and Wales) Regulations 2023

<i>Made</i>	- - - -	<i>21st November 2023</i>
<i>Laid before Parliament</i>		<i>22nd November 2023</i>
<i>Coming into force</i>	- -	<i>1st January 2024</i>

The Secretary of State makes these Regulations in exercise of the powers conferred by section 50 of, and paragraphs 1(1) and 2(2) of Schedule 4 to, the Environment Act 2021 (“the Act”)(a).

The Secretary of State has consulted in accordance with paragraph 8(1) of Schedule 4 to the Act and is satisfied as to the matters specified in paragraph 9(1) of that Schedule.

The Secretary of State has the consent of Welsh Ministers to make these Regulations in accordance with section 50(3) of the Act.

Citation, commencement, extent and application

1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Producer Responsibility Obligations (Packaging Waste) (Amendment) (England and Wales) Regulations 2023 and come into force on 1st January 2024.

(2) These Regulations extend to and apply in relation to England and Wales only.

Amendment of the Producer Responsibility Obligations (Packaging Waste) Regulations 2007

2.—(1) The Producer Responsibility Obligations (Packaging Waste) Regulations 2007(b) are amended as follows.

(2) In Schedule 2 (recycling obligations)—

(a) in paragraph 3(4), in the formula, for “72” substitute “75”;

(b) in paragraph 5—

(i) for “2023” substitute “2024”;

(ii) for “77%” substitute “80%”;

(c) in paragraph 6, in Table 2 (recycling targets)—

(i) in the heading to the second column, for “2023” substitute “2024”;

(a) 2021 c. 30. For the definition of “relevant national authority”, see section 50(2).

(b) S.I. 2007/871; relevant amending instruments are S.I. 2016/1146, 2020/1336, 2020/1390 (W. 308) and 2022/1222.

- (ii) in the entry for wood, for “35” substitute “42”;
- (d) in paragraph 8, for “2023” substitute “2024”.

21st November 2023

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EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations amend the Producer Responsibility Obligations (Packaging Waste) Regulations 2007 (S.I. 2007/871). Those Regulations impose on producers obligations to recycle packaging waste in order to attain overall recycling and material-specific recycling targets.

These Regulations set an overall recycling target as well as material-specific recycling targets for 2024 on obligated producers in England and Wales in relation to glass (including the proportion to be recycled by re-melt), plastic, aluminium, steel, paper/board and wood.

A full impact assessment of the effect that this instrument will have on the costs of business, the voluntary sector and the public sector is available from the Producer Responsibility Unit at the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, Seacole Building, 2 Marsham Street, London, SW1P 4DF and is published with the Explanatory Memorandum alongside this instrument on www.legislation.gov.uk.

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