Packaging and packaging waste consultation: EU national registers of producers

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Draft Commission Implementing Regulation laying down rules as regards the format for registration in and reporting to the register of producers and the information to be provided in that context [scroll down to download]

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What is changing and why?

New European Union (EU) rules on packaging and packaging waste (PPWR, Regulation 2025/40) require each EU Member State to establish a national register of packaging producers. The registers will monitor producers' compliance with Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) obligations, under which producers are financially responsible for managing their packaging waste. Registers potentially may include non-EU producers of packaged food products, at the discretion of the individual Member State.

The draft proposal includes standardised registration and reporting formats to make EPR requirements more consistent and reduce the administrative burden. Information about packaging producers, how they meet their EPR obligations, and, where relevant, their authorised representative or producer responsibility organisation will have to be registered.

Producers will also have to report the type and quantity of packaging they place on the market each year. For composite or multi-material packaging, the weight of each material must be reported. Where packaging has a digital product passport, this information can be used for reporting.

The proposed formats also incorporate EPR reporting requirements for certain single-use plastic products, such as food containers, wrappers, beverage containers, cups, and lightweight plastic carrier bags.

Actions

The consultation via the European Commission's Have Your Say platform closed on 10 September 2026.

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Timeline

The Regulation is expected to be published in the fourth quarter of 2026, and will enter into force 20 days after publication. From that date, EU Member States will have 18 months to establish a national register of producers.

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