

Annual Report and Action Plan

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About APCO

Australian Packaging Covenant Organisation (APCO) is a co-regulatory not-for-profit organisation leading the development of a circular economy for packaging in Australia. APCO's vision is a packaging value chain that collaborates to keep packaging materials out of landfill and retains the maximum value of the materials, energy and labour within the local economy.

Each year, APCO Brand Owner Members are required to submit an APCO Annual Report and an APCO Action Plan. This document is the Annual Report and Action Plan output for the organisation listed above. This document provides the overall performance level of the organisation, as well as any commitments they have made to work towards on their packaging sustainability journey. This document may also include additional information provided by the Member in their report.

Overall Performance **Leading**

The chart below indicates the overall performance level of this organisation listed above in the 2024 APCO Annual Report. The organisation's reporting period was **January, 2023 - December, 2023**

1 Getting Started 2 Good Progress 3 Advanced 4 **Leading** 5 Beyond Best Practice

Understanding APCO Annual Reporting performance levels:

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| 1 | Getting Started: | You are at the start of your packaging sustainability journey. |
| 2 | Good Progress: | You have made some first steps on your packaging sustainability journey. |
| 3 | Advanced: | You have taken tangible action on your packaging sustainability journey. |
| 4 | Leading: | You have made significant progress on your packaging sustainability journey. |
| 5 | Beyond Best Practice: | You have received the highest performance level and have made significant progress on your packaging sustainability journey. |

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Additional Information

The information below indicates additional information that the organisation included in their APCO Annual Report.

Please tell us about any innovative packaging sustainability initiatives you have implemented during your chosen 12 month reporting period.

Commit to "Facilitating Compliance" for customers
Commit to "Returnable Reusable Recyclable & Closing the Loop"
Continuous development of "Technologically Innovative Packaging Solutions"
Implementing "Efficient Practice", reduce process steps/reduce packaging required
"Prioritise Health" - Non-hazardous/solvent free materials

Please tell us of any constraints you may have had during your chosen 12 month reporting period that has impacted on your packaging sustainability initiatives and Covenant obligations.

We experienced obstacles in the chosen 12 month reporting period to:

1. Secure recycling businesses (specifically in WA) with capability to recycle waste material.
2. Whilst we can collect waste onsite we haven't had capability to then recycle that collected waste to complete the closed loop.
3. This prevented us from offering 'labelling' for customers as we haven't had the option to advise customers of waste collection and recycling options.
4. Discussions have now commenced with Cleanaway to explore collection of waste and recycling of waste material.

APCO Action Plan Commitments

For each of the Packaging Sustainability Framework criteria listed below, a description is provided along with the commitments made by the organisation in their APCO Action Plan.

Criteria 1:

Governance & Strategy:

This criteria considers actions to integrate packaging sustainability into business strategies.

- Develop a strategy that includes goals for packaging sustainability that addresses the Sustainable Packaging Guidelines (SPGs) or equivalent.
- Include a commitment to the 2025 National Packaging Targets and aim to integrate it within business processes.
- Communicate and promote packaging sustainability objectives and targets within your organisation and to external stakeholders (suppliers, final consumers, community groups etc.).

Criteria 2:

Design & Procurement:

This criteria considers actions taken to ensure that sustainability principles are considered in the design or procurement of both new and existing packaging through use of the Sustainable Packaging Guidelines (SPGs).

- Use the Sustainable Packaging Guidelines to review our packaging to identify opportunities for improvement.
- Record the outcomes of reviews or packaging using the Sustainable Packaging Guidelines so that any team member can refer back to them in future and for auditing purposes.
- Conduct packaging reviews using the SPGs for **70%** of our packaging.

Criteria 3:

Recycled Content:

This criteria considers actions taken to increase or optimise the amount of recycled material used by your organisation.

- Develop a policy or procedure to buy products and/or packaging made from recycled materials.
- Aim to use recycled materials in any packaging where this is feasible, including:
 - Primary packaging

Criteria 4:

Recoverability:

This criteria considers actions taken to improve the recovery of packaging at end-of-life and increase use of reusable packaging.

- Investigate whether all of our packaging is recyclable at end-of-life and identify any gaps and opportunities for greater reuse or recycling.

Criteria 5:

Disposal Labelling:

This criteria considers the extent to which packaging has been labelled to help consumers determine what to do with packaging at end-of-life.

- As packaging is updated or refreshed, add on-pack information for consumers on recyclability or correct disposal.

Criteria 6:

On-site Waste:

This criteria considers progress in increasing the amount of on-site solid waste being diverted from landfill.

- Develop a system to collect and recycle used packaging generated at our facilities.

Criteria 7:

Problematic Materials:

This criteria considers the extent to which organisations are actively phasing out problematic and unnecessary single-use plastic packaging and preventing/reducing litter.

- Undertake the following to help reduce the impact of litter:
 - Conduct regular clean-ups on-site
 - Plan to participate in Business Clean-Up Day
 - Look for opportunities to redesign packaging to eliminate components that may have the propensity to become litter
 - 1. Conduct Regular Clean Ups; consistently/daily clean up via Cleanaway.
 2. Design of Packaging Materials to 'Eliminate Hazardous Materials' as per SPG Guidelines
 3. Communication has commenced with Cleanaway to provide alternative waste removal options for customers to reduce waste of packaging products which originate at Intercept Australia and further reduce litter originating at Intercept Australia.

Further commitments:

These commitments look at additional actions the organisation may take to improve reporting.

- Report against the full Packaging Sustainability Framework report next year.