

Do You Need to Report Data for Extended Producer Responsibility for Packaging?

This article applies to all four nations of the UK.

Who?

Organisations that are obligated under the new Extended Producer Responsibility regulations must report their 2023 packaging data to the regulator no later than 31st May 2024.

It's important to do this as quickly and accurately as you can, as this data will be used to help inform illustrative producer fees.

To check if your organisation needs to report packaging data, please visit [EPR: who is affected and what to do](#).

What?

Organisations should report their packaging data and organisation data for Jan-Jun and Jul-Dec 2023 (this requirement has some national variations; more details on collecting and submitting 2023 data [can be found here](#)). You may need to report additional data depending on the type of packaging activity you carry out. If you are a member of a compliance scheme, your compliance scheme is able to submit this data on your behalf.

Why?

For EPR for packaging to be effective, all obligated organisations must submit their data as accurately as possible and by the required deadline. For the system to work everyone must submit their data accurately and in a timely manner. Submission does not necessarily mean that you will have to pay fees, but it will be used to make sure fees are distributed fairly. Failure to submit your data is an offence and could result in enforcement and loss of reputation.

How and When?

If your organisation needs to report data under the new Extended Producer Responsibility for packaging (EPR) scheme, the deadline for submitting your 2023 data was 1 April 2024. Where applicable, no enforcement action will be taken on late submission if your 2023 EPR data is submitted by 31 May 2024.

To do this, you must [create an account on the new Report Packaging Data service](#). Do not leave this to the last minute, as the regulator needs to check if you are the right person to report data for your organisation. This can take up to 28 days. Please note, if you are a member of a compliance scheme, your scheme can submit data on your behalf, however you must still enrol.

You or your compliance scheme won't be able to submit your data until the regulator has confirmed you are the right person to do this.