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# The Producer Responsibility Obligations (Packaging Waste) Regulations 2005

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# Message

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No abre el plazo - Nezahajuje odklady - Fristerne indledes ikke - Kein Fristbeginn - Viivituste perioodi ei avata - Καμμία έναρξη προθεσμίας - Does not open the delays - N'ouvre pas de délais - Non fa decorrere la mora - Neietekmē atlikšanu - Atidėjimai nepradedami - Nem nyitja meg a késéseket - Ma' jiftaħx il-perijodi ta' dawmien - Geen termijnbegin - Nie otwiera opóźnień - Nao inicia o prazo - Neotvorí oneskorenia - Ne uvaja zamud - Määräaika ei ala tästä - Inleder ingen frist.

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# 1. Structured Information Line

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#### 2. Member State

United Kingdom

# 3. Department Responsible

Department of Trade and Industry: Standards and Technical Regulations Directorate

#### 3. Originating Department

Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs,

# 4. Notification Number

2005/0439/UK - S10E

## 5. Title

The Producer Responsibility Obligations (Packaging Waste) Regulations 2005

#### 6. Products Concerned

Packaging, packaging materials and packaging waste.

#### 7. Notification Under Another Act

Directive 94/62/EC as amended by Directive 2004/12/EC on Packaging and Packaging Waste only.

## 8. Main Content

Amendment of Regulations 1, 2, 4, 5, 7, 12, 13, 14, 16, 18, 20, 22, 24, 26, 27, 28, 31, 36, 38, Schedule 1, Schedule 2, Schedule 3, Schedule 7 and Schedule 9. The main changes include: consolidation of the 1997 Producer Responsibility Obligations (Packaging Waste) Regulations with all subsequent amendments, as well as amended provisions to apply certain legal obligations to businesses operating licensor, pub operating businesses (or similar arrangements); possible removal of the term "reasonable steps" (currently shown in square brackets); revised UK business targets for 2006 to 2008 (with indicative targets for 2009 and 2010); simplification and clarification of the packaging compliance scheme approval regime; a requirement for compliance schemes and large producers to send their operational plans to the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs/Scottish Executive as well as the appropriate Environment Agency (as at present).

#### 9. Brief Statement of Grounds

Existing UK business targets for 2006 – 2008 need to be revised since they no longer achieve the Directive targets in 2008, as a result of changes to the underlying data. The UK also needs to take account of the additional tonnages (when setting targets) that are expected to be brought within the scope of the Regulations from leased, licensor and pub operating companies. Changes are also being made to the compliance scheme approval regime, to not only simplify and clarify the current arrangements, but also to enable the UK Government to apply a greater level of scrutiny to compliance scheme (and large producer) operational plans to give the UK greater confidence that we will meet the Directive targets.

# 10. Reference Documents - Basic Texts

a) Consultation Paper on Meeting Directive Targets in 2008: this paper discusses the options in relation to each proposal.

#### 11. Invocation of the Emergency Procedure

Nc

# 12. Grounds for the Emergency

## 13. Confidentiality

No

# 14. Fiscal measures

No

### 15. Impact assessment

The impact assessment is attached.

# 16. TBT and SPS aspects

**TBT Aspect** 

No

The draft does not have a significant effect on international trade.

**SPS Aspect** 

No

The draft is not a sanitary or phytosanitary measure in the sense of Annex A of the SPS Agreement.

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