EPR Overview for Germany

Germany has comprehensive EPR schemes in place, governed by national laws and EU directives.

Mattresses: Germany does not have a mandatory EPR for mattresses yet, but there are growing efforts toward a circular economy, especially in the furniture and textile sectors.

Furniture: The EPR system is not fully mandatory for furniture, but voluntary take-back schemes and circular design initiatives are growing, particularly under the Circular Economy Act.

Electric Appliances: Germany strictly adheres to the WEEE Directive, ensuring producers finance the collection, treatment, and recycling of e-waste through organizations like EAR Foundation (Stiftung Elektro-Altgeräte Register).