

Actionpoint – PPWR Manufacturer Readiness Guide

The EU Packaging & Packaging Waste Regulation (PPWR) comes into force from 12 August 2026 and will affect UK manufacturers selling packaged goods into the EU or Northern Ireland.

Use this checklist to assess your readiness.

PPWR Compliance Checklist

- ☐ Identify all products and packaging placed on the EU market
- ☐ Confirm who is the Responsible Operator
- ☐ Create an inventory of every packaging specification (SKU)
- ☐ Record the material composition and weight of every packaging component
- ☐ Review packaging to eliminate unnecessary material
- ☐ Assess whether packaging has been designed for recyclability
- ☐ Obtain supplier material declarations and technical data
- ☐ Request supplier Declarations of Conformity
- ☐ Build and maintain technical documentation
- ☐ Prepare your own Declaration of Conformity where required
- ☐ Review packaging artwork and labelling
- ☐ Ensure packaging can be traced through the supply chain
- ☐ Implement a packaging change-control process
- ☐ Review packaging regularly

PPWR Readiness Self-Assessment

Use this checklist to assess your current readiness status for each key area.

Assessment Area	Yes ✓	No ✗
Do you know every packaging format you place on the EU market?		
Can your suppliers provide the technical data needed to demonstrate compliance?		
Do you know the material composition and weight of every packaging component?		
Have you reviewed your packaging within the last 24 months?		
Could you provide technical documentation if requested by a regulator?		
Are Procurement, Operations, Sustainability and Quality working from the same packaging data?		

Your Score

5–6 Yes – You're well on the way.

3–4 Yes – There are likely to be gaps in your packaging data or documentation.

0–2 Yes – Start preparing now to avoid supplier delays and rushed changes.

How Actionpoint can help

Preparing for PPWR is about more than changing packaging materials. We help manufacturers review packaging against PPWR requirements, reduce unnecessary packaging and costs, improve operational efficiency, gather the packaging data needed to support compliance, and identify opportunities to reduce waste.