

Q3 Newsletter | September 2023

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In our last newsletter I welcomed the postponement of Deposit Return Scheme Scotland in terms of keeping open the possibility of a single approach to DRS – whilst lamenting the impact of last-minute changes in plans on the confidence of companies with regards to future product-related legislation change.

I also described the Packaging EPR reforms as 'a tricky one to call' and on 25th July they joined the list of policies delayed / revised at the last minute. After years of questioning the order and timetable for the reforms - and months of raising our frustrations at the delays to and errors in systems and guidance for schemes and producers – ERP acknowledge the benefits of the delayed roll out for payments and reporting. However, the delay does heighten our concern over the UK's ability to plan, consult on and successfully implement significant policies to accelerate the development of a more circular economy.

However, within our control are the systems and software we use to help simplify producer compliance for hundreds of ERP members who will be used to reporting data using our online portal 'Prodex'. Over the last year we have been working hard with colleagues in Landbell Group to configure their innovative and user-friendly 'Circul8' platform for your Packaging EPR reporting in summer 2023 – and Batteries and WEEE reporting in due course.

The platform was configured, tested and launched ready for the start of Packaging EPR – an exciting milestone rather undermined 11 days later by government's announcement of the delays!

As a result, we will be using two systems for the next 6 months: Circul8 is where packaging members will report their 2023 EPR packaging data under the 2023 Packaging EPR Data requirements. Prodex will remain in use for reporting of 2023 packaging data under the 2007 Packaging Regulations as well as for 2023 WEEE and Batteries.

Thank you to the colleagues in ERP UK and Landbell for the significant amount of work involved in this project and to the members who volunteered to test it for us. User feedback on Circul8 so far is excellent - so we look forward to introducing all our members to the platform over the next 6 months.

The WEEE Consultation is, we are told in the process of final sign off – so should be out before the end of the year. The Batteries Consultation is next in the queue after WEEE – we are still being advised to expect it in 2023 – but looks increasingly more like 2024.

One last confusion was the Prime Minister's announcement on 20th September "The proposal that we should force you to have seven different bins? I've scrapped it." 'Consistency in Recycling' was an important reform

expected to run in parallel with Packaging EPR; although government have not yet released their response to the consultation, stakeholders know there were never plans to require seven bins. Defra have subsequently confirmed they will be launching a scheme called 'Simpler Recycling'

John Redmayne
Managing Director, ERP UK



04 | Member news



Data Rounds - WEEE & Battery

Q3 2023 B2C EEE and battery placed on the market data will be due by 13th October 2023.

We would like to kindly ask Members to:

- Have submissions approved by a legal signatory of the company or delegated authority who has prior written consent for 2023, and
- Account for any fluctuations in data by including a brief explanation within the data submission (if prompted when inputting the data). Please note that comparisons are made against the data from the same period of the previous year.
- Ensure that all EEE and batteries made available to the UK market is reported in the relevant reporting periods (see table below);

Reporting Periods	Reporting Deadlines
Q1: 1st January to 31st March	<i>Friday 14th April 2023</i>
Q2: 1st April to 30th June	Friday 14th July 2023
Q3: 1st July to 30th September	Friday 13th October 2023
Q4: 1st October to 31st October	Monday 15th January 2023
2023 B2B EEE: 1st Jan to 31st December	Monday 15th January 2023



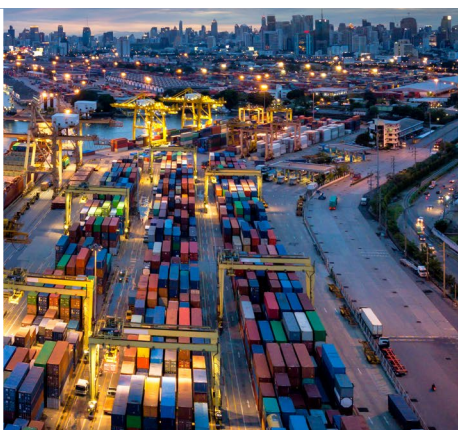
WEEE and Battery Annual Registrations for 2024

WEEE and Battery scheme members must register for 2024 by the end of October for batteries and end of November for WEEE.

As such, the ERP UK Compliance Team will be working hard over the next few months to ensure members are registered by the legal deadlines.

We will request that members confirm their registration details by returning their confirmation of company details documents to their Compliance Account Manager. These documents will be sent out to members over the coming weeks.

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EPR (Extended Producer Responsibility) for Packaging

As we have been highlighting in our monthly webinars, a key change from the current UK packaging compliance system is reporting packaging data every 6 months (compared to the current annual reporting).

Even though the full implementation of EPR for Packaging has now been delayed until 2025, Producers are still required to report (starting this year) packaging data in the new format required by the EPR Data Reporting Regulations. The first legal deadline for Packaging Compliance Schemes to submit packaging data on behalf of its members is rapidly approaching. The first reporting window opened on 1st July 2023 with Packaging Compliance Schemes required to report Members' packaging data for the first 6 months of 2023, by the first regulatory deadline of 1st October 2023. ERP UK Packaging Members needed to submit the first half year of 2023 packaging data by the

end of August. Please speak with your Account Manager if you have yet to submit this packaging data.

Members that have met the ERP UK deadline can rest assured that we are working diligently to finalise their packaging data into the new CSV flat-file format, in order to submit their packaging data on time to DEFRA / the Environment Agencies.

*N.B. The definition of a Large Producer includes all companies (and UK Groups of Companies) handling over 50 tonnes of packaging per annum and with a turnover of £2m or greater. Visit our website for our EPR webinars.

Packaging EPR Data Reporting Webinars 2024

ERP UK has now concluded for 2023 the weekly and monthly EPR for Packaging workshops, in order to assist members with the packaging data reporting required under EPR. These packaging data reporting workshops will

commence again in 2024.

ERP UK Members can gain access to recordings of all previously held workshops and webinars, should they wish. Please email: ukcompliance@erp-recycling.org

H1 2023 Packaging Data Round

We are now well into the first data round for the new EPR packaging data for both our packaging members and ourselves!

We were very pleased to have our new online portal successfully launched and go live for our packaging members in July. This new portal was initially set up to manage the new EPR packaging data reporting as the format is rather different and has been designed in a user friendly way, providing guidance and validations to help ensure the reporting is as accurate as reasonably possible! Packaging members should have received an activation email, however if you have any difficulty accessing the new portal then please contact your Compliance Account Manager.

Recently, we sent out a communication to packaging members with an update on Defra's announcement to extend the EPR packaging data reporting deadline for H1 2023 and H2 2023 to 31st May 2024. Despite this extension, we request that members submit their H1 2023 packaging data as soon as possible over the coming months, by the end of November 2023 at the latest, due to the start of 2024 being a busy period of reporting.

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German Environmental Authority (Stadt Osnabruck) – Declaration of Completeness

As part of the German regulations, obligated, packaging producers, must submit a Declaration of Completeness (audit report) for Put-On-Market 2022 no later than the 15th May 2023.

Our Landbell colleagues have advised us that the German Environmental Authority has started infringement procedures against non-compliant producers.

If you are a UK producer that exports to Germany you may be affected if you exceed specific volume thresholds.

If you require support or any additional information, Landbell can help - please contact us at: vertriebausland@landbell.de

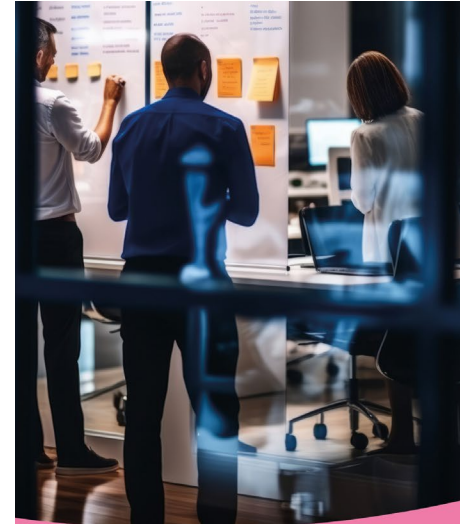


Upholstered Domestic Seating – Out of Scope

The Environment Agency has recently confirmed that any upholstered domestic seating which is electrical, for example electrical recliner chairs, are now considered out of scope of the Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment (WEEE) Regulations.

It has been identified that waste upholstered domestic seating contains Persistent Organic Pollutants (POPs) and therefore cannot be recycled.

We are encouraging members to contact their account manager if you believe you are affected by this change.



GREEN ALLEY AWARD: THE STAGE FOR CIRCULAR ECONOMY STARTUPS

In order to connect like-minded people and help startups take their next step, in 2014 Landbell Group has established **Europe's first startup prize for the Circular Economy**.

The **Green Alley Award** offers a unique chance to network – and the most-promising startup takes home a **prize money of 25.000 €**.

Applications for 2024 are open!

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Vapes Update

We reported on the growing concerns around the environmental impacts of E-cigarettes, in particular single-use vapes, in the first issue of our newsletter this year. Since then, the number of 'disposable' single-use vapes being thrown away in the UK has continued to increase, and published statistics shared by [Material Focus](#) puts this number at around 1.3 million a week making it the fastest growing waste stream in the world. Waste e-cigarettes or vapes are classed as waste electrical and electronic equipment (WEEE). As well as electronic circuits, vapes contain small batteries – typically Lithium-ion. They may also contain residual vape liquids. Waste vapes are classed as Hazardous Waste. They need to be kept out of landfill, and are indeed recyclable, but need to be sent to a specialist WEEE recycling facility to ensure correct treatment and disposal.

We learned earlier this month that Scotland is considering a ban on disposal vapes. Other devolved administrations

may choose to follow suit; however, this would only take care of the disposable part of the waste stream. Other, refillable vapes would not be affected and would still need to be collected and recycled in the correct way.

UK government has indicated that vapes will feature in the upcoming WEEE review. What this means in practice is that changes to existing WEEE rules will be proposed to ensure the vaping sector plays its part in the financing of collection and treatment of this waste stream. This in turn should help facilitate development of the infrastructure needed for the efficient collection and treatment of all vapes.

Currently, all vapes are collected and recycled as part of the small mixed WEEE (SMW) stream from Household Waste Recycling Centres (HWRCs). In order to improve access to waste vapes recycling, and address issues such as littering and lack of suitable collection points, more needs to be done. This also includes enabling councils to provide vapes specific recycling bins at HWRCs.

ERP is working with other WEEE producer compliance schemes and through our industry association, the WEEE Schemes Forum (WSF), as well as with government, to develop an efficient and equitable system for waste vapes – both to ensure efficient collections and recycling of vapes from HWRCs and other collection points, and also to put in place a financing system which shares costs fairly between players in the vapes market.



Register for our 2024
weekly and monthly

Workshops & Webinars

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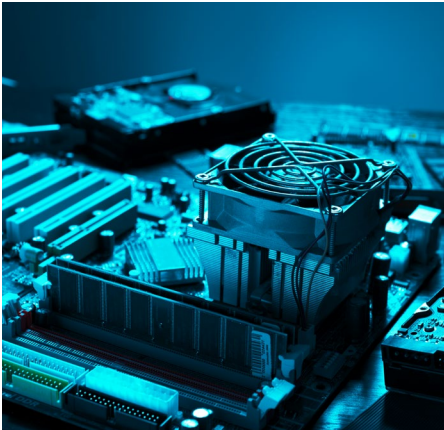
Extended Producer Responsibility Packaging Regulations

Receive the latest insight, guidance, and key updates relating to the brand-new Packaging Regulations that will come into force from the start of 2024.

To avoid disappointment, book your virtual seat at EPR discussion table and let ERP UK steer you through the new Packaging Compliance landscape.

[Visit our webpage](#)

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Hackneys Visit to SWEEEP & EMR

Hackney Council recently visited leading recycling facilities to learn how to enhance waste management strategies and promote sustainability. To gain insights into their operations and understand how they contribute to environmental conservation, Recycling Team representatives visited ERP suppliers SWEEEP, and EMR.

SWEEEP - Small Mixed WEEE Recyclers

Due to rapid technological advancements, electronic waste, also known as e-waste, is becoming a pressing concern. In order to manage this waste stream responsibly, SWEEEP has taken on the challenge.

Hackney Council's visit to SWEEEP provided an opportunity to witness innovative processes for recycling small mixed electronic waste. The facility demonstrated the intricate steps

involved in dismantling and recycling small electronic devices. Hackney's team appreciated SWEEEP's commitment to recovering valuable materials, such as precious metals and rare earth elements, thereby reducing the need for mining and lessening its environmental impact.

This visit encouraged Hackney Council to consider adopting similar practices and partnerships to manage electronic waste more efficiently within the borough to increase efficiency on the collections of Small Mixed WEEE.

EMR - Fridge Recyclers

Refrigerators and other cooling appliances are notorious for containing hazardous substances that can harm the environment if not properly managed. EMR Willesden as a Fridge Recycler has made it their mission to address this issue through responsible fridge recycling.

Hackney Council visited the EMR facility to witness firsthand the meticulous process of dismantling and recycling refrigeration units. The facility's commitment to safely removing harmful substances like chlorofluorocarbons (CFCs) and hydrochlorofluorocarbons (HCFCs) from cooling appliances left a lasting impression. EMR's use of advanced technologies to recover materials from old fridges, like plastics and metals, showcased the potential for reducing waste and promoting circular economy principles.

The visit to EMR inspired Hackney Council to consider implementing more

stringent regulations and collaborations to ensure the proper disposal and recycling of cooling appliances, contributing to a healthier environment for their community.

Hackney Council's visit to SWEEEP and EMR was an enlightening experience that shed light on the importance of efficient waste management and recycling practices. The knowledge gained from these visits has prompted the team to contemplate launching awareness campaigns to educate residents about responsible disposal methods for electronic waste and refrigeration units.

"Our team were delighted to have been able to visit the SWEEEP Kuusakoski small electrical recycling facility in Sittingbourne last week. Justin showed us the process from start to end and it was really interesting to experience firsthand what happens to our waste once it leaves our waste transfer facility. It was especially eye-opening to see the increasing numbers of disposable vapes and gas canisters being disposed of with small WEEE items and hear of the dangers it poses. A huge thank you to Henna from ERP for organising the visit and to Justin from SWEEEP Kuusakoski for the wonderful tour!"

09 | Compliance data

WEEE

The latest data (Q2 2023 UK national data from the EA)

Volumes of EEE placed on the market (POM)

The Environment Agency published the Q2 2023 UK data on 1st September 2023

The table below demonstrates that there was over 7,000 tonnes more EEE placed on the UK market when comparing against the same period last year (Q2 2022), although this was mostly due to the large increase (43%) in Photovoltaic Panels (Cat 14). There was a reduction in most categories of EEE, other than Small Household Appliances (Cat 2), Cooling Appliances (Cat 12) and Photovoltaic Panels (Cat 14).

Category		Q2 2023 UK B2C EEE placed on the UK Market (tonnes)	Variance (Q2 2023 vs Q2 2022)	% Variance
1	Large Household Appliances	127,364	-6,342	-5%
2	Small Household Appliances	42,924	-5,585	13%
3	IT and Telcomms Equipment	13,881	-2,579	-19%
4	Consumer Equipment	6,296	-732	-12%
5	Lighting Equipment	12,177	-2,613	-21%
6	Electrical and Electronic Tools	20,150	-1,877	-9%
7	Toys Leisure and Sports	10,600	-1,050	-10%
8	Medical Devices	662	-305	-46%
9	Monitor and Control Instruments	5,836	32	1%
10	Automatic Dispensers	73	3	4%
11	Display Equipment	16,400	-5,668	-35%
12	Cooling Appliances	53,048	3,953	7%
13	Gas Discharge Lamps/ LED	1,096	-273	-25%
14	Photovoltaic Panels	43,773	19,001	43%
Total		332,166	7,135	2%



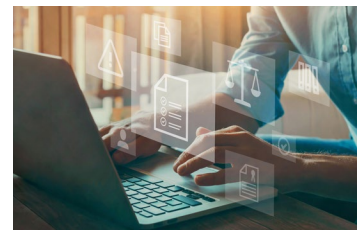
WEEE COMPLIANCE

Simplifying the recycling of waste electrical and electronic equipment

We take on your legal obligations, managing your registration and reporting, and securing WEEE evidence equal to your household recycling obligation.

We also provide registration and reporting for non-household EEE producers, as well as optional services for the take-back non-household products.

[Find out more here](#)



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Some categories, including IT and Telcomms Equipment (Cat 3), Consumer Equipment (Cat 4), Lighting Equipment (Cat 5) and Display Equipment (Cat 11), decreased significantly from the same period last year (Q2 2022).

Volumes of WEEE collected (see table opposite)

As the table below demonstrates, the overall collected tonnage in Q2 2023 was similar to that collected in Q2 2022, with just 2,374 tonnes difference across all streams, - a 2% increase when compared to the same period last year. Looking at individual collection streams: LDA (Cat 1), Gas Discharge Lamps (Cat 13) and Photovoltaic Panels (Cat 14) collections were lower than this time last year (-2%, -3% and -75% respectively), but all other streams show an increase, especially Small Mixed WEEE (Cats 2-10), by over 2,000 tonnes (6%).

Outlook for the compliance year

When looking at the Q2 2023 collection volumes against the collection targets for 2023, this demonstrates that most streams are either on target or exceeding their targets. The only exception is Cooling (Cat 12) which is slightly down. Worth noting that both Display (Cat 11) and Small Mixed WEEE (Cats 2-10) are performing much better than in previous years.

Category	Q2 2023 UK B2C WEEE Collected (tonnes)	Variance (Q2 2023 vs Q2 2022) (tonnes)	Variance (%)
Large Household Appliances	38,592	-819	-2%
Cooling Appliances	33,459	459	1%
Display Equipment	10,616	636	6%
Cats 2-10 Small Mixed WEEE	35,161	2,186	6%
Gas Discharge Lamps & LED Light Sources	1,044	-27	-3%
Photovoltaic Panels	82	-61	-75%
TOTAL	118,953	2,374	2%

Category	Q2 2023 UK B2C WEEE Collected (tonnes)	2023 DEFRA Targets (tonnes)	Progress to targets (%)
Large Household Appliances	82,867	164,250	50%
Cooling Appliances	65,653	135,393	48%
Display Equipment	21,668	41,237	53%
Cats 2-10 Small Mixed WEEE	67,042	126,615	53%
Gas Discharge Lamps & LED Light Sources	2,068	4,145	50%
Photovoltaic Panels	161	302	53%
TOTAL	239,458	471,942	51%



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Batteries

The latest data (Q2 2023 UK national data from the EA)

Volumes of Portable Batteries placed on the market (POM)

Q2 2023 saw a slight increase (150 tonnes, 2%) in the volume of portable batteries placed on the market from this time last year.

	Portable Batteries Placed on the Market		
	Q2 2022 (tonnes)	Q2 2023 (tonnes)	Variance (%)
Lead Acid	298	318	7%
NiCd	55	50	-9%
Others	7,316	7,459	2%
TOTAL	7,670	7,827	2%

Volumes of waste batteries collected

The Q2 2023 data shows a significant increase (5,169 tonnes, 17%) from this time last year (Q2 2022), especially in waste portable 'others' batteries (107%). 2023 saw the highest ever volume of waste portable batteries reported in Q2.

	Waste Portable Batteries Collected		
	Q2 2022 (tonnes)	Q2023 (tonnes)	Variance (%)
Lead Acid	3,367	3,169	-6%
NiCd	138	148	7%
Others	894	1,852	107%
TOTAL	4,399	5,169	17%

Outlook for the compliance year

Based on the Q2 2023 data, the UK collection rate for 2023 is 33.49%, which is 74.43% towards the 2023 target (45%). which is 41.70% towards the 2023 target (45%).



BATTERIES COMPLIANCE

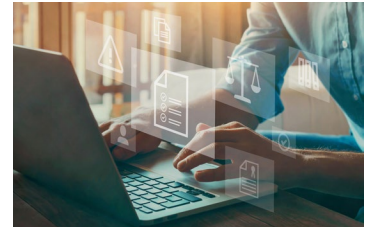
Simplifying the recycling of portable batteries

Our battery compliance scheme simplifies environmental compliance for companies making or importing batteries. We take care of all your legal obligations from registration and reporting to the collection and recycling of waste batteries. For small producers, we offer a simple 'all in' fixed cost.

Our solutions cover all aspects of battery recycling and can simplify processes for all businesses, small, medium, and large.

[Find out more here](#)

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Packaging Data

The verified Q2 recycling figures were published by the Environment Agency at the end of August.

The data shows that the UK has successfully processed more than 50% of its PRN requirement in all materials during the first two quarters. This achievement underscores the dedication of industry stakeholders to meet recycling targets and contribute to a sustainable future.

Material	UK Requirement (tonnes)	Q1-2 Received for Recycling	% To Target
Paper	3, 443,406	2, 004,409	58%
Glass	1,726,732	920,996	53%
Aluminium	146,836	79,476	54%
Steel	361,658	213,169	59%
Plastic	1,117,920	580,800	52%
Wood	349,790	343,964	98%
Total	7, 146,342	4, 283,825	60%

As the compliance year continues the potential issue may not stem from the UK's recycling performance but instead from the increased obligation resulting from late submissions. Plastic in

particular looks tight and if recent trends continue, the material's availability could once again become constrained. A substantial increase in obligations could lead to a surge in PRN prices.

Overall, the UK is making good progress towards meeting its 2023 requirements. However, we need to maintain the current flow of packaging material through the system to ensure we are heading towards compliance and as hinted in the previous edition of The Circular, the ultimate outcome will rely on the final data and producer registrations which have yet to undergo processing.

Data Services - Extended Producer Responsibility update

Data Services Account Managers are currently contacting customers to discuss Extended Producer Responsibility and how the changes will affect your business and packaging reporting.

If you have any questions about Extended Producer Responsibility or your next submissions, please contact your account manager directly or the Data Services team at ukdataservices@erp-recycling.org

If there have been any changes to your business structure or activities recently please let us know as soon as possible as these may also affect your data and submissions.

For the latest guidance on Extended Producer Responsibility please read [here](#)



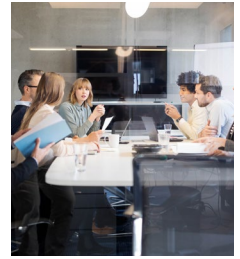
Plastic Packaging Tax update

The tax came into force on 1st April 2022 and is charged at a rate of £200 per tonne, increasing to £210.82 per tonne from 1 April 2023, this applies to plastic packaging produced in or imported into the UK that does not contain at least 30% recycled plastic, returns are due quarterly with the next return due on or before the 31st July 2023.

Businesses should also carry out their own due diligence checks in respect of Plastic Packaging Tax if you either manufacture plastic packaging components or import plastic packaging components.

If you have any questions about the plastic packaging tax, and how it will affect your company, please contact your account manager directly or the Data Services team at ukdataservices@erp-recycling.org

For the latest HMRC guidance on the tax please read [here](#)



13 | Featured article:

EPR Fees Delayed to 2025

At the end of July, Defra confirmed it was delaying important elements of the extended producer responsibility (EPR) for packaging reform programme. Whilst most companies welcomed this, it does further complicate the regulatory landscape for individual producers to navigate over the next 12 months.

Following extensive engagement with industry and considering the pressure facing consumers and businesses in the current economic context, new rules to ensure packaging producers pay for the cost of recycling their packaging will be delayed a year from October 2024 to 2025.

The Government will use the additional year to continue to discuss the scheme's design with industry and reduce the costs of implementation wherever possible. In preparation for EPR, producers have begun to use less packaging and adopt easier to recycle packaging formats. This trend will continue ensuring that costs are not then passed onto households later. This decision to delay producer payments has been taken jointly with the devolved administrations and will provide industry, local authorities, and waste management companies with more time to prepare to ensure the success of the scheme. Helping make sure it is best designed to deliver on long term recycling goals while supporting households with the immediate challenge of high prices caused by inflation.

Fees delayed

Defra has delayed some of the responsibilities till 2025, most notably the responsibility to pay new 'EPR fees' or waste management fees. These are intended to cover the net costs of local authority household waste management services. Producers were previously due to start paying this fee in October next year, to cover their obligations for the packaging they placed on the market across 2023. This has been postponed by 12 months. This means producers will begin paying EPR fees in October 2025 for packaging placed on the market in 2024.

EPR reporting

EPR reporting is a legal requirement, and the data you report must be as accurate as possible. There are penalties for failing to meet the requirements set. Additionally, the environment agencies are already notifying producers about EPR data reports. The government will be using the data submitted in 2023 and 2024 to produce estimates of the likely EPR fees for 2025.

Companies handling packaging in the UK will have two pieces of legislation to comply with for 2024:

1. The current Packaging Waste Regulations will remain in force for 2024 – they will continue to provide the basis for packaging compliance by all obligated companies.
2. The new (2023) Packaging Waste

(Data Reporting) Regulations will also remain in force – they will enable current and new producers to collect and report data – this will be the basis for Packaging EPR in 2025 and beyond.

What does this mean for 2024 packaging compliance?

Costs in 2024 will be on the same basis as they are in the current system (environment agency registration + PRN costs).

The significant additional costs for collection of packaging waste from households will not be passed on to producers until 2025.

What does this mean for packaging data reporting?

For packaging handled / placed on the UK market in 2023, Producers will need to collect and report data under two systems!

Packaging handled - as required by the current Packaging Waste Regulations

Report by April 2024

This will form the basis for PRN requirements for 2024 packaging compliance

Packaging placed on the market – as required by the various national Packaging Waste (Data Reporting) Regulations



14 | Meet a team member: Leonard Van Eeden



Q What motivates you in your role?

A I enjoy problem solving and finding solutions to seemingly impossible challenges. I enjoy learning new skills as it keeps the mind active.

Q What do you enjoy doing outside work?

A I enjoy watching and participating in sports, such as rugby, golf, football and recently tennis. I still play rugby for my local team. Spending time with my son and share moments in his life as he develops.

Q Your favourite music band(s)?

A I'm a metal head, even though I'm way too old for the mosh pit these days.

Q How long have you been with ERP UK?

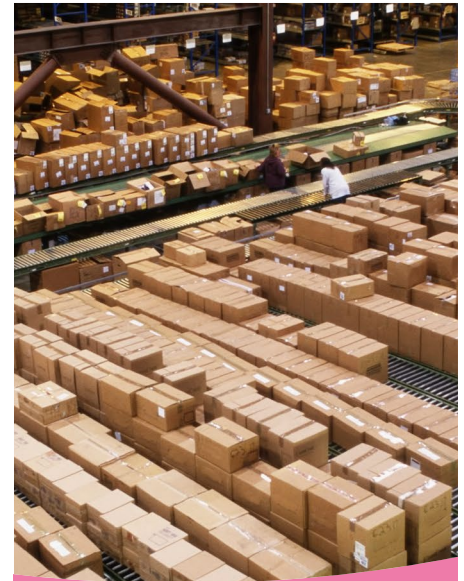
A I started in July, so almost 3 months.

Q Tell us about your experience before joining the ERP team?

A My previous role was as a 1st Line Support Team Leader managing the support desk for a software company.

Q What does a typical day look like for you?

A It's varied while I'm learning the recycling business and I've been focusing on onboarding our suppliers onto our Circul8 system.



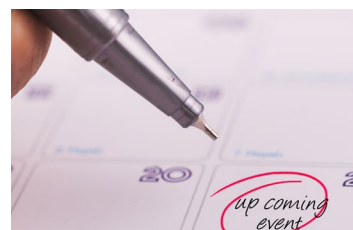
PACKAGING COMPLIANCE

Simplifying the recycling of packaging

Our packaging compliance scheme simplifies all aspects of environmental compliance for companies handling packaging.

We will help you to accurately collect and submit your data, as well as ensure that the amount of recycling you are responsible for is achieved.

[Find out more here](#)



15 | Events & workshop diary



LARAC – Conference Celebration Awards | Date: 11th & 12th October | Venue: The Hilton Metropole, Birmingham

This year's LARAC Conference and Celebration Awards 2023 covers interesting panel debates, external keynote speakers, case studies, and discussions around: 'What if the Implementation of the consultations happened tomorrow', Environmental Actions within Local Authorities, Effective communications of a service change and Training and Green Skills, to name but a few.

Visit the event website [here](#).

Collaborative Conversations for 2024 & Beyond | Date: 17th November | Venue: ICC Wales venue, The Coldra, Newport

No information on this event is available currently.



ACI's 4th Battery Recycling Europe | Date: 28th – 29th February 2024 | Venue: London

The European battery recycling market is experiencing significant growth driven by the increasing demand for battery-powered devices and electric vehicles. Strict regulations and policies, such as the EU Battery Directive, have been implemented to ensure the safe and environmentally responsible management of end-of-life batteries, fostering a robust recycling infrastructure, and promoting the circular economy within the region.

On the 28th & 29th February 2024, the two-day event is dedicated to advancing the knowledge and collaboration in the field of battery recycling within Europe.

Visit the event website [here](#).



ERP WORKSHOPS and WEBINARS for 2024

Our workshops provide detailed training for our members about the Regulations and how to apply them in your business.

They are FREE to attend and members give very positive feedback about their helpfulness.

Webinars/ workshops coming up

Receive the latest insight, guidance, and key updates relating to the brand-new Packaging Regulations that will come into force from the start of 2024.

Visit our webpage for a list of upcoming workshop and webinars in 2024 - visit our site [here](#).



16 | ERP's EPR glossary

AATF Approved Authorised Treatment Facility (for WEEE)

ABE Approved Battery Exporter

ABTO Approved Battery Treatment Operator

AE Accredited Exporter (for Packaging)

AR Accredited Reprocessor (for Packaging)

ATF Authorised Treatment Facility (for WEEE)

BFR Brominated Flame Retardants

CA site Civic Amenity (see also HWRC)

CIO Consumer Information Obligation (for Packaging)

CIWM Chartered Institution of Wastes Management

CSR Corporate Social Responsibility

DCF Designated Collection Facility (for WEEE)

DEFRA Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs

DRS Deposit Return Scheme

DOENI Department for the Environment Northern Ireland

DTS Distributor Takeback Scheme (for WEEE)

EA Environment Agency (see also SEPA, NRW

and NIEA)

EEA European Environment Agency

EFW Energy from Waste

ELV End of Life Vehicles

EMS Environmental Management System

EPR Extended Producer Responsibility

ESA Environmental Services Association

HDPE High Density Polyethylene

HWRC Household Waste Recycling Centre

LA Local Authority

LARAC Local Authority Recycling Advisory Committee

MRF Materials Recovery Facility

MSW Municipal Solid Waste

NIEA Northern Ireland Environment Agency

NPWD National Packaging Waste Database (Batteries & Packaging)

NRW Natural Resources Wales

ODS Ozone Depleting Substance

PCB Polychlorinated Biphenyl

PCB Printed Circuit Board

PERN Packaging Waste Export Recovery Note

PP Polypropylene

PPT Plastic Packaging Tax

PRN Packaging Waste Recovery Note

PRO Producer Responsibility Organisation

PS Polystyrene

PVC Polyvinyl chloride

RCV Refuse Collection Vehicle

ROHS Restriction Of Hazardous Substances (in EEE)

SEPA Scottish Environment Protection Agency

WAC Waste Acceptance Criteria

WBA Waste Batteries and Accumulators

WCA Waste Collection Authority

WDA Waste Disposal Authority

WEEE Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment

WFD Waste Framework Directive

WRAP Waste and Resources Action Programme

WBA Regulations means The Waste Batteries and Accumulators Regulations 2009 (SI 2009/890);

WEEE Regulations means the Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment Regulations 2013 (SI 2013/3113); and

Packaging Regulations means The Producer Responsibility Obligations (Packaging Waste) Regulations 2017 (SI 2007/871)



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