

Negative list

This list would include packaging characteristics (materials or components or features) that should not be used in packaging because they are known to hamper recyclability and/or are not recyclable anywhere in the EU.

In 2030 these characteristics would result in the packaging not being allowed to be placed on the market anyway, but the items on the list would be forbidden earlier than 2030, potentially 2025.



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PLASTICS

- Plastic packaging with carbon black or other non-NIR-detectable colours
- Plastic or glass packaging with sleeves covering >50% of the surface
- Plastic packaging with additives changing the material density >1g/cm³
- Multilayer plastic packaging containing PET-G, PLA, PVC and PS
- PVC/PVCD packaging (and labels/sleeves)
- XPS packaging
- PA barrier layers
- Non-EuPIA inks and inks that bleed
- Non-water soluble / water-releasable adhesives at <600C

METALS (ALU/STEEL)

- PVC labels
- Aerosol cans with hydrocarbon based propellants
- Lead materials

PAPER/ CARD

- Paper-based packaging with plastic windows and other components that cannot be separated
- Silicone/ wax coatings
- Insoluble adhesives + hotmelt adhesives with softening >450
- Mineral oil colours, inks that are on the EuPIA exclusion list
- Two-sided plastic coating/laminates
- Decorative elements using PP/PET metallised laminates, PET-metallised film

GLASS

- Non-packaging glass such as heat-resistant glass (e.g. borosilicate glass), lead crystal, cryolite glass
- Opaque/ dark colours (black, dark blue)
- Full surface sleeves and permanently attached/ labels with ultra adhesive glues
- Ceramic/ porcelain components e.g., in closures