

European Parliament and Council Directive 94/62/EC of  
20 December 1994 on packaging and packaging waste

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## [<sup>F1</sup>ANNEX I

### ILLUSTRATIVE EXAMPLES FOR CRITERIA REFERRED TO IN ARTICLE 3(1)

#### Textual Amendments

**F1** Substituted by [Directive 2004/12/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 February 2004 amending Directive 94/62/EC on packaging and packaging waste.](#)

Illustrative examples for criterion (i)

Packaging

Sweet boxes

Film overwrap around a CD case

Non-packaging

Flower pots intended to stay with the plant throughout its life

Tool boxes

Tea bags

Wax layers around cheese

Sausage skins

Illustrative examples for criterion (ii)

Packaging, if designed and intended to be filled at the point of sale

Paper or plastic carrier bags

Disposable plates and cups

Cling film

Sandwich bags

Aluminium foil

Non-packaging

Stirrer

Disposable cutlery

Illustrative examples for criterion (iii)

Packaging

Labels hung directly on or attached to a product

Part of Mascara brush which forms part of the container closure packaging

Sticky labels attached to another packaging item

Staples

Plastic sleeves

Device for measuring dosage which forms part of the container closure for detergents.]

## ANNEX II

## ESSENTIAL REQUIREMENTS ON THE COMPOSITION AND THE REUSABLE AND RECOVERABLE, INCLUDING RECYCLABLE, NATURE OF PACKAGING

1. Requirements specific to the manufacturing and composition of packaging
  - Packaging shall be so manufactured that the packaging volume and weight be limited to the minimum adequate amount to maintain the necessary level of safety, hygiene and acceptance for the packed product and for the consumer.
  - Packaging shall be designed, produced and commercialized in such a way as to permit its reuse or recovery, including recycling, and to minimize its impact on the environment when packaging waste or residues from packaging waste management operations are disposed of.
  - Packaging shall be so manufactured that the presence of noxious and other hazardous substances and materials as constituents of the packaging material or of any of the packaging components is minimized with regard to their presence in emissions, ash or leachate when packaging or residues from management operations or packaging waste are incinerated or landfilled.

## 2. Requirements specific to the reusable nature of packaging

The following requirements must be simultaneously satisfied:

- the physical properties and characteristics of the packaging shall enable a number of trips or rotations in normally predictable conditions of use,
- possibility of processing the used packaging in order to meet health and safety requirements for the workforce,
- fulfil the requirements specific to recoverable packaging when the packaging is no longer reused and thus becomes waste.

## 3. Requirements specific to the recoverable nature of packaging

## (a) Packaging recoverable in the form of material recycling

Packaging must be manufactured in such a way as to enable the recycling of a certain percentage by weight of the materials used into the manufacture of marketable products, in compliance with current standards in the Community. The establishment of this percentage may vary, depending on the type of material of which the packaging is composed.

## (b) Packaging recoverable in the form of energy recovery

Packaging waste processed for the purpose of energy recovery shall have a minimum inferior calorific value to allow optimization of energy recovery.

## (c) Packaging recoverable in the form of composting

Packaging waste processed for the purpose of composting shall be of such a biodegradable nature that it should not hinder the separate collection and the composting process or activity into which it is introduced.

## (d) Biodegradable packaging

Biodegradable packaging waste shall be of such a nature that it is capable of undergoing physical, chemical, thermal or biological decomposition such that most of the finished compost ultimately decomposes into carbon dioxide, biomass and water.

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## ANNEX III

DATA TO BE INCLUDED BY MEMBER STATES IN THEIR DATABASES ON  
PACKAGING AND PACKAGING WASTE (IN ACCORDANCE WITH TABLES 1 TO 4)

1. For primary, secondary and tertiary packaging:
  - (a) quantities, for each broad category of material, of packaging consumed within the country (produced + imported – exported) (Table 1);
  - (b) quantities reused (Table 2).
2. For household and non-household packaging waste:
  - (a) quantities for each broad category of material, recovered and disposed of within the country (produced + imported – exported) (Table 3);
  - (b) quantities recycled and quantities recovered for each broad category of material (Table 4).

	Tonnage produced	– Tonnage exported	+ Tonnage imported	= Total
Glass				
Plastic				
Paper/cardboard (including composite)				
Metal				
Wood				
Other				
Total				

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