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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2017 No. 1221**

**ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION**

**The Producer Responsibility Obligations  
(Packaging Waste) (Amendment) Regulations 2017**

<i>Made</i>	- - - -	<i>7th December 2017</i>
<i>Laid before Parliament</i>		<i>7th December 2017</i>
<i>Coming into force</i>	- -	<i>1st January 2018</i>

The Secretary of State makes these Regulations in exercise of the powers conferred by sections 93(1) and (8) and 94(1)(b), (c) and (d) and (7) of the Environment Act 1995 (“the Act”)(1).

The Secretary of State has consulted in accordance with section 93(2) of the Act and has had regard to the matters specified in section 93(6).

**Citation and commencement**

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Producer Responsibility Obligations (Packaging Waste) (Amendment) Regulations 2017 and come into force on 1st January 2018.

**Amendment of Producer Responsibility Obligations (Packaging Waste) Regulations 2007**

2.—(1) Schedule 2 to the Producer Responsibility Obligations (Packaging Waste) Regulations 2007 (recovery and recycling obligations)(2) is amended as follows.

(2) For paragraph 5, substitute—

“5. The following is prescribed as the recovery target “X”—

- (a) for the year 2018, 80%;
- (b) for the year 2019, 81%;
- (c) for the year 2020, 82%.”

(3) In paragraph 6, for Table 2 substitute—

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(1) 1995 c. 25.

(2) S.I. 2007/871, amended by S.I. 2012/3082, 2016/1146; there are other amending instruments but none is relevant.

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**“Table 2**

**Recycling targets**

<i>Materials</i>	<i>2018</i>	<i>2019</i>	<i>2020</i>
Glass	78	79	80
Plastic	53	55	57
Aluminium	58	61	64
Steel	79	82	85
Paper/Board	71	73	75
Wood	38	43	48”.

(4) For paragraph 8 substitute—

“**8.** The recycling allocation “B” is 30 for each of the years 2018 to 2020.”.

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Department for Environment, Food and Rural  
Affairs

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## EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This note is not part of these Regulations)*

These Regulations amend the Producer Responsibility Obligations (Packaging Waste) Regulations 2007 (S.I. 2007/871). Those Regulations impose on producers the obligation to recover and recycle packaging waste in order to attain the recovery and recycling targets set out in Article 6(1) of European Parliament and Council Directive 94/62/EC on packaging and packaging waste (OJ No L 365, 31.12.94, p10).

These Regulations establish new recycling targets for paper, aluminium, steel and wood for 2018 to 2020. The target for recycling plastic and glass for 2018 to 2020 is continued. The recycling allocation for small producers for 2013 to 2017 is continued for 2018 to 2020.

A full impact assessment of the effect that this instrument will have on the costs of business and the voluntary sector is available from the Producer Responsibility Unit at the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, Level 2, Nobel House, 17 Smith Square, London SW1P 3JR and is published with the Explanatory Memorandum alongside this instrument on [www.legislation.gov.uk](http://www.legislation.gov.uk).