

**EU Packaging and Packaging Waste Regulation (PPWR)
Regulation (EU) 2025/40 – Bossard**

Dear Customer,

As a distributor of packaged products, Bossard is aware of its obligations under Regulation (EU) 2025/40 on Packaging and Packaging Waste (PPWR) and is taking the necessary steps to ensure compliance within its scope of responsibility.

Regulation (EU) 2025/40 replaces Directive 94/62/EC and introduces a harmonized legal framework for packaging and packaging waste across the European Union.

The objectives are to ensure the smooth functioning of the internal market while reducing environmental and health impacts associated with packaging throughout its entire life cycle, and to support the transition towards a circular economy.

The regulation will become applicable as of 12 August 2026, subject to specific transitional provisions.

PPWR implementation in the industrial distribution sector

The PPWR introduces new requirements relating to:

- Packaging recyclability,
- Material composition and transparency,
- Recycled content,
- Labeling and information obligations,
- Digital traceability and documentation.

Meeting these requirements requires reliable, structured, and digitally accessible data across the supply chain. In this context, future regulatory tools such as the Digital Product Passport (DPP) are expected to support standardized, machine-readable access to relevant product and packaging information throughout the life cycle.

Importance of supply chain cooperation

Effective PPWR compliance depends on close cooperation between all economic operators. In particular, the regulation requires:

- Harmonized material and content information
Standardized and accurate data on packaging material composition.
- Recyclability assessment and documentation
Evidence demonstrating compliance with applicable recyclability criteria.
- Packaging traceability for shipments within the EU
Availability of packaging-related compliance information upon request by authorities.
- Verification of recycled content
Appropriate evidence supporting declared recycled content, where applicable.
- Uniform labeling and accessibility of information
Compliance with forthcoming labeling and information requirements based on harmonized rules.

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Bossard's approach

Bossard considers the European Green Deal and the PPWR as both an opportunity and a challenge, particularly with regard to the digitalization of product and packaging data, which is a key prerequisite for continued participation in the EU market.

Accordingly, we are:

- Maintaining close dialogue with suppliers, partners and industry associations,
- Progressively integrating PPWR-related requirements into our supplier due-diligence processes,
- Requesting relevant compliance information from suppliers within the limits of their respective legal responsibilities.

PPWR implementation is an ongoing regulatory process, and further delegated acts and guidance are expected.

Bossard therefore continuously monitors regulatory developments and works with its supply chain partners to align with applicable legal requirements. This statement will be updated as necessary to reflect regulatory or operational developments.

Should you require any additional information, we will be pleased to support you.

Best regards,

Bossard Group
Quality Management

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