

**Question for written answer E-001271/2023
to the Commission**

Rule 138

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Subject: The Packaging and Packaging Waste Regulation and Member State compliance with packaging recycling targets

The Packaging and Packaging Waste Directive (PPWD) mandates recycling targets for packaging waste, and its 2018 revision set targets for 2025 and 2030. Both the Waste Framework Directive and the PPWD require the Commission to issue early warning reports three years ahead of the target years. Thus for the 2025 recycling targets, the Commission should thus have sent out early warning reports in 2022.

In November 2022, the Commission adopted a revision of the PPWD, in which the packaging recycling targets for both 2025 and 2030 remained unaltered. In the same proposal, the Commission is introducing an obligation for all packaging placed on the EU market to be recyclable by 2030 and to be recycled at scale by 2035.

1. Could the Commission provide any information about whether Member States are on track to meet their packaging recycling targets in 2025?
2. If this is not the case, could the Commission explain why no early warning reports were sent out in 2022?
3. If Member States do not meet the 2025 recycling targets, this will affect economic operators' ability to comply with the 2030 and 2035 recyclability obligations in its Packaging and Packaging Waste Regulation proposal. Could the Commission explain how an impact assessment was performed for these proposed obligations?

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