

Question for written answer E-003318/2026
to the Commission
Rule 144
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Subject: Implementation of Directive 2008/98/EC as regards the separate collection of textile waste in Sicily

Since 1 January 2025, under Article 11(1) of Directive 2008/98/EC on waste, as amended by Directive (EU) 2018/851, Member States have been required to use separate collection systems for textile waste.

There are still significant problems in Sicily regarding the collection and management of used textiles. Sicily's regional waste management plan highlights the need to improve separate collection, increase the number of drop-off points, and develop the textile reuse and recycling chain. These issues risk undermining the effective implementation of Article 11 of Directive 2008/98/EC and the objectives of the circular economy.

In view of the above:

1. Does the Commission believe that the textile waste management problems in Sicily are compatible with the requirements laid down in Article 11 of Directive 2008/98/EC?
2. Will it verify whether Italy has put in place all the necessary measures – including adequate collection and treatment capacities – to ensure that Directive 2008/98/EC is properly implemented throughout Italy?
3. What steps will it take to support Member States and regions with inadequate textile waste management capacities to ensure that they comply with EU legislation and achieve the objectives of the circular economy?

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