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Answer given by Executive Vice-President Séjourné
on behalf of the European Commission
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At the time of adoption of Regulation (EU) 2023/1542¹, the Commission expressed regret over the short deadlines for the adoption of delegated and implementing acts as well as other follow-up actions².

The Joint Technical Committee of the European Committee for Standardisation and the European Committee for Electrotechnical Standardisation (CEN/CENELEC JTC24) are working on finalising the cross-sectoral digital product passport (DPP) standards. The following requested harmonised standards received a positive vote on 2 April 2026: (1) unique identifiers; (2) data carriers and links between physical product and digital representation; (3) interoperability (technical, semantic, organisation); (4) data processing, data exchange protocols and data formats; (5) data storage, archiving, and data persistence; (6) application programming interfaces for passport lifecycle management and searchability. The voting process for the remaining two standards will take place in the second quarter of 2026. Regardless, Regulation (EU) 2023/1542 already refers to existing relevant standards.

A first version of the DPP registry to comply with Regulation (EU) 2023/1542 is planned to be operational in July 2026, in line with Regulation (EU) 2024/1781³. The DPP registry will be upgraded gradually to allow for the rollout of all product-specific DPPs.

Regulation (EU) 2023/1542 does not foresee DPP service providers as defined by Regulation (EU) 2024/1781, instead it introduces ‘operators authorised to act on behalf of the economic operator responsible for the battery passport’. The implementing act on access rights will specify who can access non-public data and how it may be used and is therefore relevant only after the battery passport applies.

¹ <http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2023/1542/oj>.

² <https://data.consilium.europa.eu/doc/document/ST-11176-2023-ADD-1/en/pdf>.

³ <https://eur-lex.europa.eu/eli/reg/2024/1781/oj>.