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In accordance with Articles 8 and 8a of the Waste Framework Directive¹ (WFD), Member States are required to eco-modulate extended producer responsibility (EPR) fees and will have to repeal their national criteria once the harmonised EU-frameworks applies.

Under the Packaging and Packaging Waste Regulation², a harmonised framework for eco-modulation of EPR-fees will be established in a delegated act by 1 January 2028 to be applied in 2030. The criteria for eco-modulation will be based on design-for-recycling criteria and performance grades for packaging, that will facilitate better packaging design, high-quality recycling, and the overall push for a stronger circular economy.

The WFD does not set a legal deadline for the adoption of the implementing act that will establish the harmonised framework for modulation of EPR fees for textiles. The timing for the development of these criteria is linked to the definition of eco-design requirements for textile apparel, which are to be established in a delegated act under the Ecodesign for Sustainable Products Regulation³. The act is planned in the course of 2027.

The Commission services are engaging in an implementation dialogue with stakeholders to support a high level of harmonisation in the future national transposition of the new rules on EPR for textile and footwear products, and for the development of the eco-modulation framework in the forthcoming Commission acts.

¹ Directive 2008/98/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 19 November 2008 on waste and repealing certain Directives, OJ L 312, 22.11.2008, p. 3–30, as amended by Directive (EU) 2018/851 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 30 May, OJ L 150, 14.6.2018, p. 109–140 and Directive (EU) 2025/1892 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 10 September 2025, OJ L, 2025/1892, 26.9.2025.

² Regulation (EU) 2025/40 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 19 December 2024 on packaging and packaging waste, amending Regulation (EU) 2019/1020 and Directive (EU) 2019/904, and repealing Directive 94/62/EC, OJ L, 2025/40, 22.1.2025.

³ Regulation (EU) 2024/1781 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 13 June 2024 establishing a framework for the setting of eco-design requirements for sustainable products, amending Directive (EU) 2020/1828 and Regulation (EU) 2023/1542 and repealing Directive 2009/125/EC, OJ L, 2024/1781, 28.6.2024.