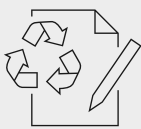


## Obligations under the Verpackungsgesetz

# What comes after registration?

Are you a 'producer' under German packaging law? Have you registered with the LUCID Packaging Register? And are you placing packaging that is subject to system participation on the German market? Then this checklist is for you. It outlines the steps you need to take to ensure compliance with the law.

If you are placing packaging subject to system participation on the German market, you not only have to register with the LUCID Packaging Register. You also have other obligations under the Verpackungsgesetz (Packaging Act). You must



- conclude a contractual agreement with a system operator (system participation agreement) to pay for the recycling of your packaging that is subject to system participation,



- report the exact same packaging volumes you provided to your system operator to the LUCID Packaging Register without delay (data reporting), and



- file an audited declaration of completeness if annual packaging volumes exceed certain thresholds.

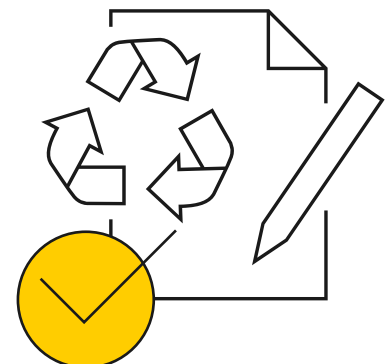
Further information about fulfilling your registration and system participation requirements can be found in our 'How to comply with German packaging law in 3 steps' checklist [↗](#).

## What happens next?

### 1. Concluding a system participation agreement

To enter into a system participation agreement, you first have to connect with one or more system operator(s) in the market.

For specific details, please visit the respective websites of these operators. An overview of available system operators can be found on our website [↗](#).



## 2. Submitting data reports about your packaging volumes in the LUCID Packaging Register

Producers of packaging subject to system participation are legally required to submit the exact same packaging volume reports that they submit to the system operator to the LUCID Packaging Register as well (data reporting). If a producer has contractually agreed one report per year with a system, the producer must submit this report to the LUCID Packaging Register at the same rate without delay.

**The following information needs to be submitted:**

- Registration number, material type and mass of the participating packaging
- Name of the system in which the packaging participates
- Period of system participation

**The requirement to provide this information applies equally for**

- packaging that the producer is planning to place on the German market ('planned volume') in a certain time period (e. g. calendar year), and
- packaging that the producer actually placed on the German market ('actual volume') in a previous period (e. g. calendar year)

If you have agreed more frequent reporting with the system (e. g. quarterly or monthly), then you must in turn submit more frequent volume reports to the LUCID Packaging Register. To make the reporting process as easy and unbureaucratic as possible, you can simply upload an XML file.

You also have to submit a data report about the agreed volumes to the LUCID Packaging Register as soon as you conclude a new system participation agreement or extend an existing one. Even if you do not have to report to the system operator until a later point in time, e. g. for another year, you have to submit a data report to the LUCID Packaging Register right away.



**Heads-up:** All reports about your packaging volumes, whether from you or your system operator, must be submitted using the same registration number. Please ensure that your system operator has your current registration number on file, as data reports cannot be properly assigned to you otherwise.

## Where can I find further information?

[Find out about registrations ↗](#)

[Overview of system participation and data reporting ↗](#)

[LUCID Packaging Register ↗](#)

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