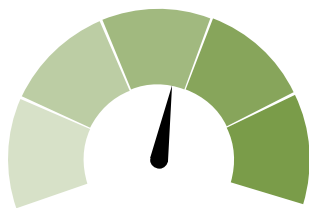
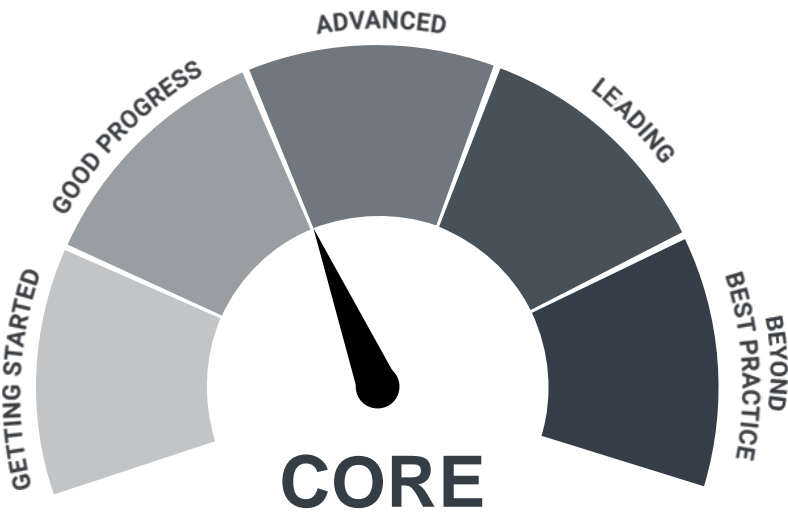
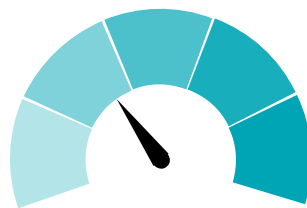


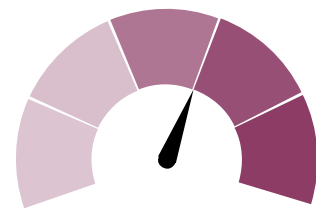
### DASHBOARD



LEADERSHIP



OUTCOMES



OPERATIONS

### SUMMARY

For the 2020 APCO Annual Report, *Austraw Pty Ltd* has achieved Level 3 (Advanced) for the core criteria. All seven core criteria were answered and five out of six recommended criteria were answered.

### INDICATORS

This Annual Report shows the organisation's performance against the APCO Packaging Sustainability Framework.

**CORE:** All core criteria.

**RECOMMENDED:** All answered recommended criteria.

**TOTAL:** Sum of all core and answered recommended criteria.

**LEADERSHIP:** All criteria that defines leadership on packaging sustainability.

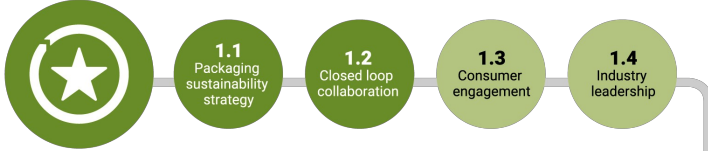
**OUTCOMES:** All criteria that lead to direct improvement in packaging sustainability.

**OPERATIONS:** All criteria related to business operations for improving packaging sustainability.

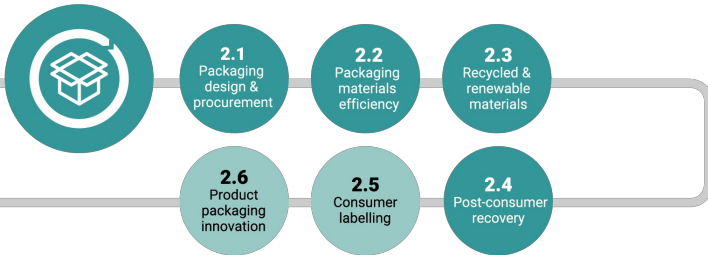
## REPORTING FRAMEWORK

### OVERVIEW

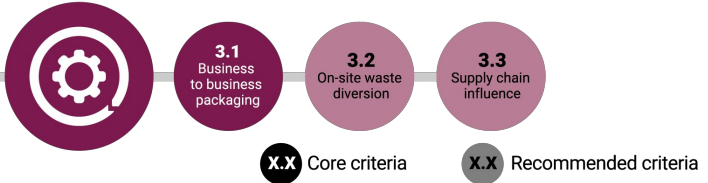
#### 1. LEADERSHIP



#### 2. OUTCOMES



#### 3. OPERATIONS



**X.X** Core criteria      **X.X** Recommended criteria

### LEVEL DESCRIPTION

#### LEVEL 0 — NOT YET STARTED

The organisation does not have a plan and has not started investigating options for action under the relevant criteria.

#### LEVEL 1 — GETTING STARTED

The organisation is developing a plan or is investigating options for action under that criteria (e.g. agreeing on goals and targets).

#### LEVEL 2 — GOOD PROGRESS

There are documented procedures in place (e.g. to implement the Sustainable Packaging Guidelines) or some progress has been achieved, data tracking shows up to 20% of products have achieved the desired outcome.

#### LEVEL 3 — ADVANCED

The organisation has specific, measurable targets in place, or data tracking shows that >20% of products have achieved the desired outcome.

#### LEVEL 4 — LEADING

The organisation has more rigorous procedures in place, or an ambitious target has been met e.g. >50% of products have achieved the desired outcome.

#### LEVEL 5 — BEYOND BEST PRACTICE

The organisation has more rigorous procedures in place, or an ambitious target has been met e.g. 100% of products have achieved the desired outcome.

## ABOUT THE APCO FRAMEWORK

The APCO Packaging Sustainability Framework (the Framework) aims to provide a consistent and transparent framework for assessing and tracking packaging sustainability across organisations. The Framework consists of thirteen independent criteria that belong to three separate categories. These categories are (i) Leadership, (ii) Packaging Outcomes and (iii) Operations. The diagram above shows the different criteria included within each of these three categories.

There are two types of criteria within the Framework:

- **Core criteria** are mandatory and must be answered by all Members when completing the Annual Reporting Tool.
- **Recommended criteria** are not mandatory, but Members are encouraged to complete as many recommended criteria as possible.

Each criteria is divided into five levels of performance ranging from 'getting started' to 'beyond best practice'. The diagram above illustrates the key differences between performance levels. Please see [www.packagingcovenant.org.au](http://www.packagingcovenant.org.au) for more information.

## ABOUT APCO

APCO is a co-regulatory, not for profit organisation that partners with government and industry to reduce the harmful impact of packaging on the Australian environment. APCO promotes sustainable design and recycling initiatives, waste to landfill reduction activities and circular economy projects. APCO Annual Reports are a key Membership obligation, providing Member organisations with a transparent method to track their packaging sustainability performance. Annual reporting also supplies APCO with valuable data and information to identify industry trends and advancements.

## FREE FORM QUESTIONS

Describe initiatives, processes or practices that you have implemented during your chosen reporting period that have improved packaging sustainability.

- Transference to a cardboard caddy for retail counters for wholesale paper straws
  - Introduction of reusable straws which are also packed in environmentally friendly cotton drawstring bags
  - Reusable items are all in cardboard packaging
  - Drink coasters packed in cardboard caddy's
  - Retail packs of wooden cutlery are now in cardboard shelf packaging
  - Removal of linings in cardboard boxes for OXO BIO and PLA straws
  - Wrapped straws are all now in paper wrap as opposed to plastic
- Previously, these products have been supplied or sold in plastic or similar, so we are seeing this create a big change for the better.

## COMMITMENTS

The Action Plan detailed below, is a public commitment to advancing packaging sustainability outcomes as a Member of APCO. Members are encouraged to have a comprehensive internal plan with the steps they will take to fulfill their commitments.

### Criteria 1.1 PACKAGING SUSTAINABILITY STRATEGY (core)

#### 4. Leading

**Your organisation is committed to:** Having targets that are specific, measureable and time-based.

### Criteria 1.2 CLOSED-LOOP COLLABORATION (core)

#### 2. Good progress

**Your organisation is committed to:** Joining a collaborative initiative to address a shared packaging sustainability problem, or working with others to set one up.

### Criteria 1.3 CONSUMER ENGAGEMENT (recommended)

#### 2. Good progress

**Your organisation is committed to engaging consumers about packaging sustainability by:** (1) Designing packaging to reduce the impacts of consumption. (2) Running a marketing campaign.

## COMMITMENTS

### Criteria 1.4 INDUSTRY LEADERSHIP (recommended)

#### 3. Advanced

**Your organisation is committed to:** (1) Being involved in a program or initiative to improve packaging sustainability through collaboration and leadership. (2) Being involved in multiple programs or initiatives to improve packaging sustainability through collaboration and industry leadership. (3) Actively engaging with peers and/or the community to promote packaging sustainability, and sharing sustainability knowledge for non-commercial purposes.

### Criteria 2.1 PACKAGING DESIGN & PROCUREMENT (core)

#### 1. Getting started

**Your organisation is committed to:** Preparing a procedure that requires the use of the Sustainable Packaging Guidelines (SPG) or equivalent to evaluate packaging during design or procurement.

### Criteria 2.2 PACKAGING MATERIALS EFFICIENCY (core)

#### 2. Good progress

**Your organisation is committed to:** Reducing packaging weight or optimising packaging material efficiency in up to 20% of products.

### Criteria 2.3 RECYCLED & RENEWABLE MATERIALS (core)

#### 4. Leading

**Your organisation is committed to:** Incorporating or optimising recycled and/or renewable content in more than 50% of products.

### Criteria 2.4 POST-CONSUMER RECOVERY (core)

#### 1. Getting started

**Your organisation is committed to:** Investigating opportunities to improve recoverability in packaging.

### Criteria 2.5 CONSUMER LABELLING (recommended)

#### 2. Good progress

**Your organisation is committed to:** Labelling up to 20% of products with disposal or recovery information.

## COMMITMENTS

### Criteria 2.6 PRODUCT-PACKAGING INNOVATION (recommended)

#### 2. Good progress

**Your organisation is committed to:** Evaluating and optimising up to 20% of product-packaging systems using Life Cycle Assessment (LCA) or similar.

### Criteria 3.1 BUSINESS-TO-BUSINESS PACKAGING (core)

#### 1. Getting started

**Your organisation is committed to:** Developing a plan or investigating opportunities to reduce the amount of single-use business-to-business (B2B) packaging used internally or sent to customers.

### Criteria 3.2 ON-SITE WASTE DIVERSION (recommended)

#### Not relevant

**Your organisation has indicated that this criteria is not relevant.**

### Criteria 3.3 SUPPLY CHAIN INFLUENCE (recommended)

#### 5. Beyond best practice

**Your organisation is committed to engaging its supply chain about packaging sustainability by:** (1) Communicating goals and guidelines. (2) Providing support to suppliers to improve their understanding of goals and strategies. (3) Collaborating with key suppliers to share knowledge. (4) Having processes to evaluate risks and opportunities for influence. (5) Having business processes to monitor supplier compliance.

## SIGN OFF

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Director

Monday, 15 June 2020

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