

# Digital Product Passport Readiness Checklist

What to prepare before the DPP arrives

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## Understand the framework

The Digital Product Passport (DPP) is introduced by the Ecodesign for Sustainable Products Regulation (ESPR), Regulation (EU) 2024/1781. It arrives product group by product group through delegated acts, so the first task is knowing whether and when it applies to you.

- Confirm which of your product categories fall under an ESPR delegated act
- Note that batteries are first, with a passport required from 18 February 2027
- Watch textiles and iron & steel as early priority groups (expected 2027 onwards)
- Record the expected application date for each of your affected ranges

## Map your products

You cannot build a passport for products you have not catalogued. Build a clear inventory of what you sell and where it sits in the rollout.

- List every product line and match it to an ESPR product group
- Flag products likely to need a passport first
- Identify the economic operator responsible for each product
- Note products you import versus those you place on the market directly

## Gather supplier data

Most of the required information sits with your suppliers and manufacturers. Start requesting it now, as this is the longest lead-time task.

- Request material and substance composition data
- Collect sustainability and environmental performance details
- Obtain reparability, spare-part and durability information

Ask suppliers whether they already plan to provide DPP data

Agree how updated data will be shared over time

## **Plan the data carrier**

The passport is reached through a data carrier, typically a QR code, printed on or attached to the product, its packaging or documentation.

Decide where the QR code or data carrier will physically appear

Confirm the carrier links to the correct product passport record

Check the carrier remains readable throughout the product life

Plan how you will apply carriers to existing stock

## **Prepare your systems**

Passport data must be stored, kept accurate and made accessible. Your commerce and product-information systems will need to hold and serve this content.

Identify where passport data will live in your systems

Ensure records can be updated when product information changes

Plan for accessibility to consumers, authorities and repairers

Assign an owner responsible for keeping passport data current

## **Assign responsibility and review**

Readiness is an ongoing programme, not a one-off task. Put ownership and a review rhythm in place.

Name an internal owner for DPP readiness

Set a schedule to re-check delegated-act timelines

Keep a record of supplier requests and responses

Review this checklist each time a new delegated act is published

This checklist is general guidance and not legal advice. Confirm the requirements and dates in the

relevant ESPR delegated act for your specific product group.

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