

Annual Report and Action Plan

Company Name: **K Care Holdings Pty Ltd**

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About APCO

Australian Packaging Covenant Organisation (APCO) is a co-regulatory not-for-profit organisation leading the development of a circular economy for packaging in Australia. APCO's vision is a packaging value chain that collaborates to keep packaging materials out of landfill and retains the maximum value of the materials, energy and labour within the local economy.

Each year, APCO Brand Owner Members are required to submit an APCO Annual Report and an APCO Action Plan. This document is the Annual Report and Action Plan output for the organisation listed above. This document provides the overall performance level of the organisation, as well as any commitments they have made to work towards on their packaging sustainability journey. This document may also include additional information provided by the Member in their report.

Overall Performance **Getting Started**

The chart below indicates the overall performance level of this organisation listed above in the 2026 APCO Annual Report. The organisation's reporting period was **July, 2024 - June, 2025**.

1 Getting Started

2 Good Progress

3 Advanced

4 Leading

5 Beyond Best Practice

Understanding APCO Annual Reporting performance levels:

- 1 Getting Started:** You are at the start of your packaging sustainability journey.
- 2 Good Progress:** You have made some first steps on your packaging sustainability journey.
- 3 Advanced:** You have taken tangible action on your packaging sustainability journey.
- 4 Leading:** You have made significant progress on your packaging sustainability journey.
- 5 Beyond Best Practice:** You have received the highest performance level and have made significant progress on your packaging sustainability journey.

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APCO Action Plan Commitments

For each of the Packaging Sustainability Framework criteria listed below, a description is provided along with the commitments made by the organisation in their APCO Action Plan.

Criterion 1:

Governance & Strategy:

This criteria considers actions to integrate packaging sustainability into business strategies.

- Regularly communicate and promote packaging sustainability objectives and targets within our organisation.
- Regularly engage or communicate with our external stakeholders about the environmental impacts of our packaging.

Criterion 2:

Design & Procurement:

This criteria considers actions taken to ensure that sustainability principles are considered in the design or procurement of both new and existing packaging through use of the Sustainable Packaging Guidelines (SPGs).

- Improve the accuracy of our data regarding reviews of packaging using the Sustainable Packaging Guidelines (or equivalent).
- Consider the following Sustainable Packaging Principles in our packaging reviews:
 - Design for recovery
 - Optimise material efficiency
 - Design to reduce product waste
 - Eliminate hazardous materials
 - Use recycled materials
 - Provide consumer information on environmental sustainability
- Improve the accuracy of our data regarding packaging material efficiency.

Criterion 3:

Recycled Content:

This criteria considers actions taken to increase or optimise the amount of recycled material used by your organisation.

- Improve the accuracy of our data regarding use of recycled content.

Criterion 4:

Recoverability:

This criteria considers actions taken to improve the recovery of packaging at end-of-life and increase use of reusable packaging.

- Improve the accuracy of our data regarding recoverability.
- Investigate opportunities to use reusable packaging.
- Improve the accuracy of our data regarding reuse.

Criterion 5:

Disposal Labelling:

This criteria considers the extent to which packaging has been labelled to help consumers determine what to do with packaging at end-of-life.

- Improve the accuracy of our data regarding labelling.

Criterion 6:

On-site Waste:

This criteria considers progress in increasing the amount of on-site solid waste being diverted from landfill.

- Have recycling programs for the following materials:
 - Paper/cardboard
 - Metals
- Aim for **20%** of our on-site waste to be diverted from landfill.
- Improve the accuracy of our data regarding on-site waste.

Criterion 7:

Problematic Materials:

This criteria considers the extent to which organisations are actively phasing out problematic and unnecessary single-use plastic packaging and preventing/reducing litter.

- Help reduce litter by:
 - Conducting regular clean ups on-site
- Phase-out the following problematic and unnecessary single-use plastic items:
 - Rigid polystyrene (PS) packaging