

Take-back and recycling of packaging

Compliance solutions for
sales packaging and transport/
commercial packaging



Interzero dual system: Recyclable loop for sales packaging from a single source

In Germany, all packaging used for the sale of goods is subject to legal take-back and recycling obligations. Whether packaging from private households or commercial packaging used by companies in retail trade and industry: Interzero offers efficient take-back and recycling solutions for both types of packaging.

Sales packaging as a unit of goods and packaging is a type of waste generated by private households or similar sources.

Are you a producer of packaging subject to system participation obligations? Then you are legally required to comply with your extended producer responsibility and to participate in a dual system for the collection, sorting and recycling of your sales packaging.

Interzero Recycling Alliance is a nationwide established dual system with added value

- **Licensing:** Register sales packaging with our dual system Interzero Recycling Alliance and specify the quantities and materials brought into circulation on the market each year.
- **Register:** Report the quantity of packaging and our dual system via LUCID to the Zentrale Stelle Verpackungsregister (Central Agency Packaging Register – ZSVR) and provide us with the registration number.
- **Report data:** Report changes to the reported packaging quantities in our customer portal and at LUCID.

Online shop Lizenzero

Producers and distributors who place small quantities of sales packaging on the market can carry out the licensing via our online shop: www.lizenzero.de

Your benefits: Access to high-quality recycled material

Interzero carries out the entire recycling process of plastic packaging on its own – **from recycling-friendly packaging design** to licensing and sorting to the provision of **high-quality recycled material**. This is a clear advantage, because recyclates are already scarce.

With the **requirements of the EU Packaging and Packaging Waste Regulation (PPWR)**, which, among other things, regulates the recyclability of packaging and minimum recyclate contents in packaging, the demand for recycled material will increase.

PPWR:

The EU Packaging and Packaging Waste Regulation will come into force on 12/08/26 and defines different responsibilities (roles) with different obligations. It imposes new **licensing and documentation obligations** on packaging distributors. In addition, no packaging may be placed on the market in the EU without a **PPWR declaration of conformity**. The declaration of conformity must contain information, among other things, on restrictions relating to pollutants, recyclability and the recyclable content of packaging, with the requirements to be met taking effect in stages (in particular from 2026, 2028, 2030, 2035).

The German implementation act for the PPWR – VerpackDG:

The PPWR is transposed into German Verpackungsrecht-Durchführungsgesetz (abbr. VerpackDG), the Packaging Law Implementation Act.





Take-back and recycling of transport/commercial packaging

Commercial packaging protects goods during transport between companies, facilitates handling and storage and generally does not reach private final consumers.

Are you a distributor of packaging and your packaging is used by your customers in industry, the manufacturing industry or as transport packaging in retail trade and must then be disposed of? Then you are responsible for taking back this packaging free of charge for your customers at their premises or in their immediate vicinity and to then recycle it. Unlike in the past, in future you will have to involve a certified organisation or have an individual take-back concept approved.

Solutions for all packaging materials

If you do not want to worry about complex logistics processes and high administrative costs, register your packaging with Interzero for collection and recycling. **Interzero has 35 years of experience in operating take-back and recycling solutions throughout Germany for commercial packaging of all materials such as paper, cardboard, PE film, wood, EPS (expanded polystyrene), metals and much more.**

Easy registration for you – convenient disposal for your customers

You can register the type and quantity of your packaging online in our **customer portal**. This gives you full transparency about your quantities and helps you keep an overview at all times. We confirm the registration of your packaging with our recycling certificate.

You inform your customers about the participation in our take-back system – **We arrange for your packaging to be picked up directly from your customers**. We bundle material flows and optimise recycling processes.

Nationwide recycling and logistics network



Partner network

4,000 contract partners and 800 waste management companies nationwide



Key figures

100,000 commercial waste sites,
2,000,000 disposal operations per year



Industries

Individual solutions for around 20 industries (construction, HVAC, furniture, etc.)

**Packaging
licensing made
easy**

Obligations for transport/commercial packaging according to the VerpackDG:

- **Registration obligation:** Any company wishing to sell commercially packaged goods in Germany must register in the LUCID register of the Zentrale Stelle Verpackungsregister (Central Agency Packaging Register – ZSVR).
- **Take-back obligation:** Initial distributors are legally obliged to take back used, completely emptied packaging from the commercial end customer free of charge.
- **Take-back conditions:** The packaging must be taken back at or near the place of actual hand-over. This can be done by specialised disposal service providers such as Interzero.
- **Obligation to inform:** Producers must inform their customers that they are obliged to take back the transport packaging.
- **Obligation to provide proof:** Companies are required to document the type, quantity and recycling of packaging put into circulation annually.







International compliance

Packaging, waste electrical and electronic equipment, batteries, textiles – fulfilling EPR obligations in Germany and the EU

Less complexity. More control. Full compliance.

With the full-service solutions, we support our customers in reliably fulfilling their extended producer responsibility (EPR) for packaging, waste electrical and electronic equipment (WEEE), batteries, and textiles.

EPR services for Germany – compliant with national legislation

-  Interzero dual system – packaging licensing for sales packaging (collection, sorting and recycling)
-  Take-back and recycling of commercial packaging, e.g. transport packaging
-  WEEE – registration and take-back according to the German Electrical and Electronic Equipment Act (ElektroG)
-  BATT – registration and take-back according to the German Battery Law Implementation Act (BattDG)

EPR services for the EU – compliant with the PPWR

-  Pan-European licensing & compliance of packaging, WEEE, batteries & textiles
-  “Made for Recycling” recyclability analysis
-  Consulting for packaging optimisation
-  Consulting for recipe development
-  Recyclate availability

With Interzero as your partner, you can **cover all compliance requirements from a single source** and make a proven contribution to climate protection. We confirm this annually with an individual **resource protection certificate** for your sustainability communications.

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