



# Update on EU waste policies

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## Implementation of the Circular Economy Action Plan

- Waste Shipment Regulation
- Packaging and Packaging Waste
- Batteries
- ELV
- Waste Framework Directive
- EoW
- WEEE
- RoHS
- Ship Recycling Regulation



# Waste Shipment Regulation

**Regulation (EU) 2024/1157:** to stop the export of EU's waste challenges to third countries and to better facilitate the transition to a circular economy in the EU with a high level of environmental protection

## State of play & next steps

- New WSR entered into force 20 May 2024
- Different dates of application in the future:
  - 21 May 2026: most provisions, including electronic exchange
  - 21 Nov 2026: plastic waste export ban non-OECD
  - 21 May 2027: export provisions
- Implementation work ongoing:
  - Requirements for interoperating electronic exchange systems / DIWASS
  - Outreach and preparation for non-OECD country assessment (export)
  - First meeting of the WSEG planned Q2 2025



# Packaging and packaging waste

**Objective:** both environmental and internal market

- Reduce the generation and environmental impacts of packaging waste
- Promote a circular economy for packaging in a cost-efficient way
- Promote the uptake of recycled content in plastic packaging
- Improve the functioning of the internal market for packaging and packaged products

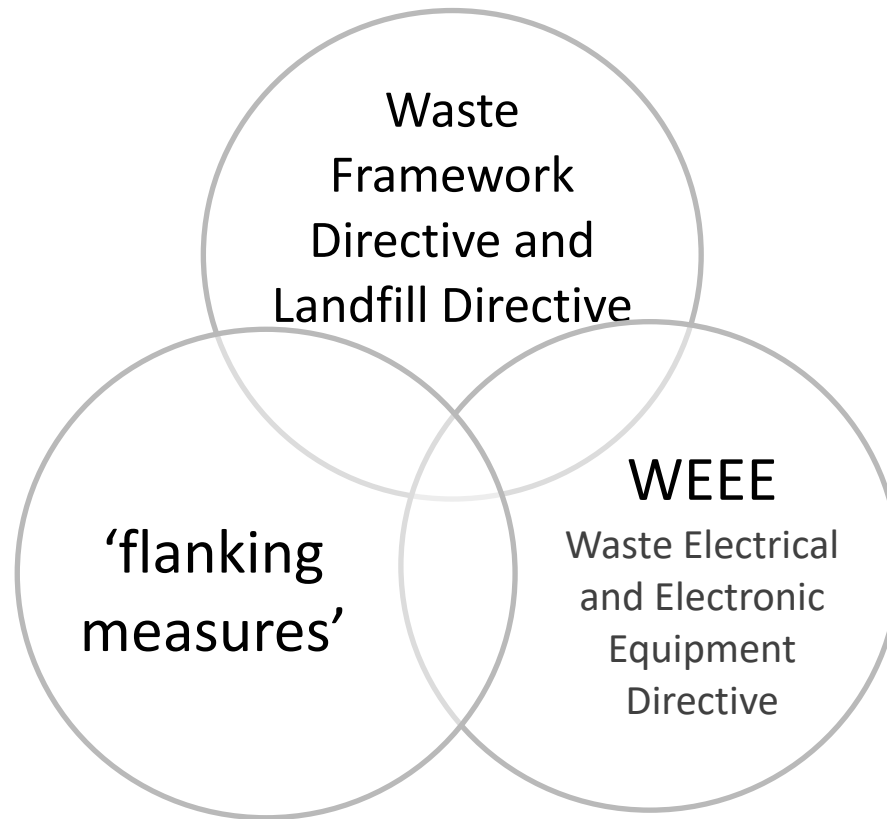
## **Intervention areas:**

- Prevention and reuse/refill
- Recyclability and compostability
- Recycled content in plastic packaging
- Harmonised labelling facilitating separation of packaging waste at source

## **State of play & next steps**

- The Commission proposal was adopted on 30 November 2022
- Co-legislators provisionally endorsed the agreement reached during the final trilogue on 4 March 2024. Council voted on 15 March; EP plenary voted on 24 April 2024
- Published on 22 January 2025 in the Official Journal
- Many delegated and implementing acts are due to further implement some of the provisions.

# Circular Economy Act – three possible pillars



# Thank you for your attention!

Additional information:  
<http://ec.europa.eu/environment/waste>