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FIELD	LEGISLATION	HIGHLIGHTS	STATUS
Plastics	Communication – EU Policy framework on bio-based, biodegradable and compostable plastics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Provides definitions, informs and provides guidance for policy makers</li> <li>•Priority on reducing resource consumption, keeping raw materials in the loop for as long as possible, and to use secondary raw materials instead of primary raw materials</li> </ul>	 Published
Plastics	Microplastics initiative	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Aims to close the gaps in scientific knowledge related to the risk and presence of microplastics in the environment, drinking water and food, and related to biodegradability, especially in the marine environment</li> <li>•Adoption of new rules planned in 2023</li> </ul>	 Ongoing
Food Contact	Commission Regulation (EU) 2022/1616 on recycled plastic materials and articles intended to come into contact with food	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Covers all existing new recycling technologies since 2008 and future innovative novel plastic recycling technologies under development</li> </ul>	 In force
Food Contact	Revision rules FCM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Consultation closed in Jan. 2023</li> <li>•Revision includes plastic materials and articles intended to come into contact with food, now under (EU) No 10/2011</li> <li>•Adoption planned in 2nd quarter 2023</li> </ul>	 Ongoing
Waste	Revision Waste Framework Directive 2008/98/EC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Aims to harmonise separate waste collection throughout Europe</li> <li>•Revision ongoing and new rules expected in 2023</li> </ul>	 Ongoing
Packaging & Packaging Waste	Proposal for an EU Regulation on Packaging and Packaging Waste Regulation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Aims at all packaging and all packaging waste, regardless of the material used.</li> <li>•Establishes requirements for the entire life cycle of packaging as regards environmental sustainability and labelling to allow its placing on the market, as well as for the extended producer responsibility, collection, treatment, and recycling of packaging waste.</li> <li>•Proposal under discussion in EP and Council</li> </ul>	 Under discussion
Sustainable products	Ecodesign for Sustainable Products Regulation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Revision of EcoDesign Directive</li> <li>•Aims at building in sustainability throughout the entire product lifecycle, starting at the design phase</li> <li>•Proposed “Digital Product Passport” plans to contain information on each product’s composition, including material and chemical properties, as well as information on their circularity, such as guidance for reuse and repair operators.</li> <li>•Proposal under discussion EP and Council</li> </ul>	 Under discussion
Environmental footprint	Substantiating claims on environmental performance of products and businesses Initiative	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Upcoming proposal for a regulation</li> <li>•It would propose for companies having to substantiate their environmental claims using EU Product and Organisation Environmental Footprint (PEF / OEF) methods</li> <li>•Adoption new rules expected in 2023</li> </ul>	 Ongoing