

# 2020 Annual Report & Action Plan

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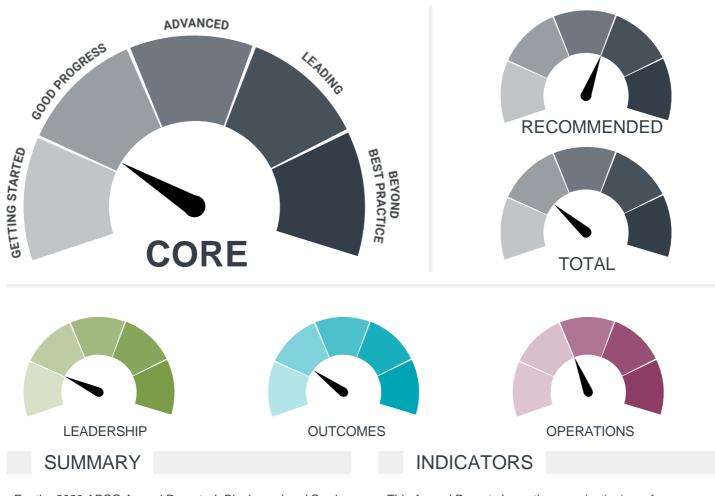
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DASHBOARD

Primary Industry Sector General merchandise and apparel Packaging Supply Chain Position Importer / Supplier **ABN** 43 000 010 300



For the 2020 APCO Annual Report, *J. Blackwood and Son* h as achieved Level 2 (Good Progress) for the core criteria. Al I seven core criteria were answered and one out of six reco mmended criteria were answered.

This Annual Report shows the organisation's performance against the APCO Packaging Sustainability Framework.

CORE: All core criteria.

**RECOMMENDED:** All answered recommended criteria. **TOTAL:** Sum of all core and answered recommended criteria.

**LEADERSHIP:** All criteria that defines leadership on packaging sustainability.

**OUTCOMES:** All criteria that lead to direct improvement in packaging sustainability.

**OPERATIONS:** All criteria related to business operations for improving packaging sustainability.





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## **REPORTING FRAMEWORK**

**OVERVIEW** 

1. LEADERSHIP



# LEVEL DESCRIPTION

	NOT YET STARTED
The organisation does not have a plan and has not under the relevant criteria.	started investigating options for action
LEVEL 1	GETTING STARTED
The organisation is developing a plan or is investiga (e.g. agreeing on goals and targets).	ting options for action under that criteria
LEVEL 2	GOOD PROGRESS
There are documented procedures in place (e.g. to i Guidelines) or some progress has been achieved, de have achieved the desired outcome.	
LEVEL 3	ADVANCED
The organisation has specific, measurable targets in place, or data tracking shows that >20% of products have achieved the desired outcome.	
LEVEL 4	LEADING
The organisation has more rigorous procedures in p e.g. >50% of products have achieved the desired ou	
LEVEL 5	BEYOND BEST PRACTICE

The organisation has more rigorous procedures in place, or an ambitious target has been met e.g. 100% of products have achieved the desired outcome

# ABOUT THE APCO FRAMEWORK

The APCO Packaging Sustainability Framework (the Framework) aims to provide a consistent and transparent framework for assessing and tracking packaging sustainability across organisations. The Framework consists of thirteen independent criter ia that belong to three separate categories. These categories are (i) Leadership, (ii) Packaging Outcomes and (iii) Operation s. The diagram above shows the different criteria included within each of these three categories.

There are two types of criteria within the Framework:

• Core criteria are mandatory and must be answered by all Members when completing the Annual Reporting Tool.

• Recommended criteria are not mandatory, but Members are encouraged to complete as many recommended criteria as possible.

Each criteria is divided into five levels of performance ranging from 'getting started' to 'beyond best practice'. The diagram ab ove illustrates the key differences between performance levels. Please see www.packagingcovenant.org.au for more informa tion.

# **ABOUT APCO**

APCO is a co-regulatory, not for profit organisation that partners with government and industry to reduce the harmful impact of packaging on the Australian environment. APCO promotes sustainable design and recycling initiatives, waste to landfill re duction activities and circular economy projects. APCO Annual Reports are a key Membership obligation, providing Member organisations with a transparent method to track their packaging sustainability performance. Annual reporting also supplies A PCO with valuable data and information to identify industry trends and advancements.





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## FREE FORM QUESTIONS

Describe initiatives, processes or practices that you have implemented during your chosen reporting period that have improved packaging sustainability.

2020 reporting period was centered around conducting a detailed review on all Own-Brand packaging components. Wh ilst packaging reviews are embedded as part of any new product developments, the gap analysis was necessary as to i dentify all packaging components and thus the natural progress in the coming 12 month period is to identify and deliver nominated improvement initiatives. Also, as Blackwoods progresses along its Packaging Strategy journey, we will expa nd into our B2B supply chain packaging data capture process and associated improvement initiatives.

# COMMITMENTS

The Action Plan detailed below, is a public commitment to advancing packaging sustainability outcomes as a Member of APCO. Members are encouraged to have a comprehensive internal plan with the steps they will take to fulfill their commitments.

Criteria 1.1 PACKAGING SUSTAINABILITY STRATEGY (core)

#### 2. Good progress

Your organisation is committed to: Integrating your packaging sustainability strategy into business policies and proc esses.

#### Criteria 1.2 CLOSED-LOOP COLLABORATION (core)

#### 1. Getting started

Your organisation is committed to: Investigating options to join or start a collaborative initiative to address barriers t o the recovery of waste packaging.

Criteria 1.3 CONSUMER ENGAGEMENT (recommended)

#### Not relevant

Your organisation has indicated that this criteria is not relevant.

Criteria 1.4 INDUSTRY LEADERSHIP (recommended)

#### Not relevant

Your organisation has indicated that this criteria is not relevant.





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Criteria 2.1 PACKAGING DESIGN & PROCUREMENT (core)

#### 1. Getting started

Your organisation is committed to: Preparing a procedure that requires the use of the Sustainable Packaging Guide lines (SPG) or equivalent to evaluate packaging during design or procurement.

#### Criteria 2.2 PACKAGING MATERIALS EFFICIENCY (core)

#### 1. Getting started

Your organisation is committed to: Developing a documented plan to optimise material efficiency.

#### Criteria 2.3 RECYCLED & RENEWABLE MATERIALS (core)

#### 3. Advanced

Your organisation is committed to: Incorporating or optimising recycled and/or renewable content in more than 20% of products.

#### Criteria 2.4 POST-CONSUMER RECOVERY (core)

#### 1. Getting started

Your organisation is committed to: Investigating opportunities to improve recoverability in packaging.

Criteria 2.5 CONSUMER LABELLING (recommended)

#### Not relevant

Your organisation has indicated that this criteria is not relevant.

Criteria 2.6 PRODUCT-PACKAGING INNOVATION (recommended)

#### Not relevant

Your organisation has indicated that this criteria is not relevant.





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### COMMITMENTS

Criteria 3.1 BUSINESS-TO-BUSINESS PACKAGING (core)

#### 1. Getting started

Your organisation is committed to: Developing a plan or investigating opportunities to reduce the amount of single-u se business-to-business (B2B) packaging used internally or sent to customers.

Criteria 3.2 ON-SITE WASTE DIVERSION (recommended)

#### 1. Getting started

Your organisation is committed to: Investigating opportunities to divert solid waste generated at facilities (factories, warehouses, offices, retail stores etc.) from landfill.

#### Criteria 3.3 SUPPLY CHAIN INFLUENCE (recommended)

#### 3. Advanced

Your organisation is committed to engaging its supply chain about packaging sustainability by: (1) Communic ating goals and guidelines. (2) Providing support to suppliers to improve their understanding of goals and strategies. (3) Having processes to evaluate risks and opportunities for influence.

### SIGN OFF

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