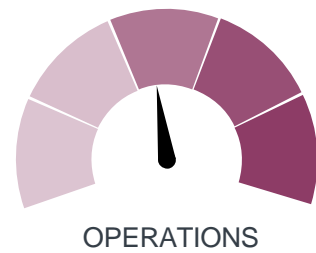
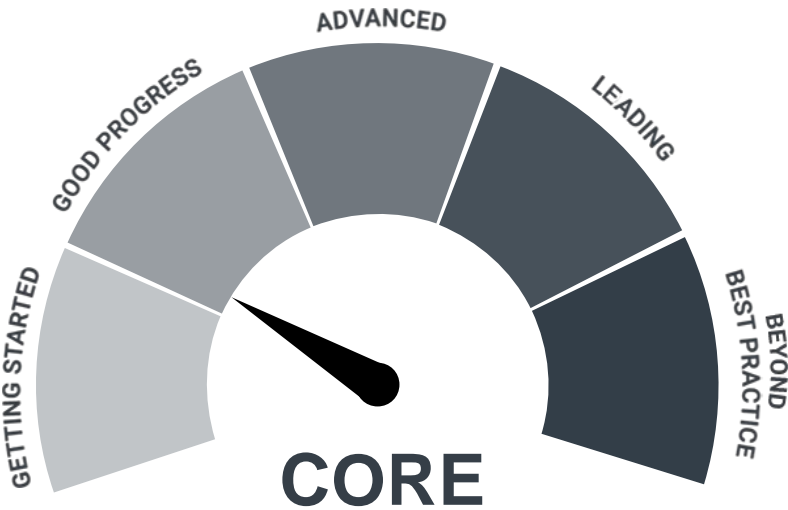


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SUMMARY

For the 2021 APCO Annual Report, *J. Blackwood and Son* has achieved Level 2 (Good Progress) for the core criteria. All seven core criteria were answered and two out of six recommended criteria were answered.

INDICATORS

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.

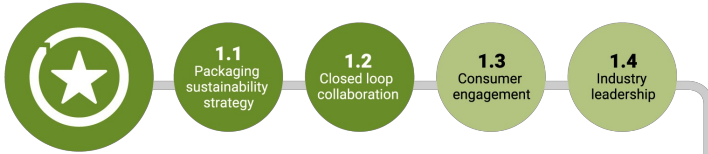
OUTCOMES: All criteria that lead to direct improvement in packaging sustainability.

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

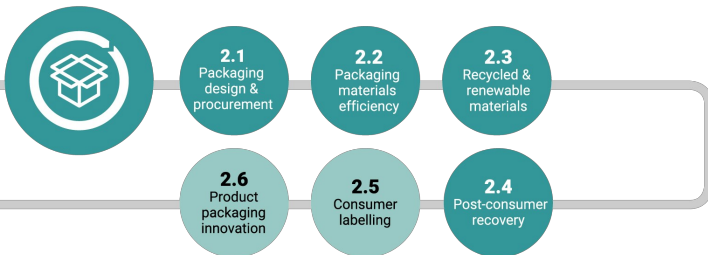
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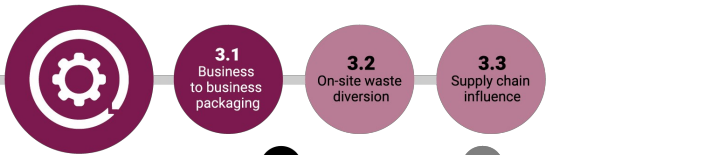
1. LEADERSHIP



2. OUTCOMES



3. OPERATIONS



X.X Core criteria **X.X** Recommended criteria

LEVEL DESCRIPTION

LEVEL 0 — NOT YET STARTED

The organisation does not have a plan and has not started investigating options for action under the relevant criteria.

LEVEL 1 — GETTING STARTED

The organisation is developing a plan or is investigating options for action under that criteria (e.g. agreeing on goals and targets).

LEVEL 2 — GOOD PROGRESS

There are documented procedures in place (e.g. to implement the Sustainable Packaging Guidelines) or some progress has been achieved, data tracking shows up to 20% of products 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 place, or an ambitious target has been met e.g. >50% of products have achieved the desired outcome.

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 criteria that belong to three separate categories. These categories are (i) Leadership, (ii) Packaging Outcomes and (iii) Operations. 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 above illustrates the key differences between performance levels. Please see www.packagingcovenant.org.au for more information.

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 reduction 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 APCO with valuable data and information to identify industry trends and advancements.

FREE FORM QUESTIONS

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

Due to current global pandemic packaging initiatives were placed on hold. Blackwoods has continued its focus to ensure a greater degree of comfort and understanding across all own brand packaging components. Packaging strategy and initiatives are being reset and due to launch from July 1, 2021.

Describe any opportunities or constraints that affected performance within your chosen reporting period.

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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 processes.

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 to the recovery of waste packaging.

Criteria 1.3 CONSUMER ENGAGEMENT (recommended)

Not relevant

Your organisation has indicated that this criteria is not relevant.

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Criteria 1.4 INDUSTRY LEADERSHIP (recommended)

Not relevant

Your organisation has indicated that this criteria is not relevant.

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.

COMMITMENTS

Criteria 2.6 PRODUCT-PACKAGING INNOVATION (recommended)

Not relevant

Your organisation has indicated that this criteria is not relevant.

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-use business-to-business (B2B) packaging used internally or sent to customers.

Criteria 3.2 ON-SITE WASTE DIVERSION (recommended)

3. Advanced

Your organisation is committed to: Investigating opportunities to divert more than 20% of 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) Communicating 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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