



Packaging Format & Material Preferences

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Preferred		Acceptable		Not Accepted	
Material	Format	Material	Format	Material	Format
Glass	Weight and dimensions of components should be minimised without adverse impact to pack or product	PET (Flexible)	Food/Beverage cartons	Mixed material rigid plastics	<30% Recycled Content* within rigid plastics where technically achievable
PET (Rigid)		Mixed material flexible films in circumstances mono material cannot be achieved		Compostable/PLA & Biodegradable plastics	
Polyethylene	>50% Recycled Content* within rigid plastics where food safe and tested	Complex laminates**	>30% Recycled Content* within rigid plastics where food safe and tested	Oxy/Oxo degradable plastics	Polystyrene
Mono PE or PP flexible film	Flexibles to be mono material (min. 95% mono PE or PP with no more than 5% PP/PE and/or EVOH, PVOH, AIOx and SiOx)	Foil laminated paper	Light colours or tints created without the use of carbon black pigment	Polystyrene, PVC and other plastics without a viable recycling stream within the UK	PVC
Polypropylene	Flexible components with attached rigid elements must be of the same polymer	Barrier papers	Shrink Sleeves of matching polymer to container	Water Soluble Plastics	Compostable/Biodegradable Plastics
Steel & Aluminium		Wood	Flexible pouches with rigid elements of differing polymers	Waxed & Siliconized Paper	Grease resistance by means of PFAS chemicals
Cardboard	Flexible films with a 0.1 micron metallisation layer applied by vacuum or vapour deposition to one side	Ceramic			If coatings/laminates being applied, double sided or more than 10% of formed component weight
Paper		Material innovations			Shrink Sleeves of different polymer to container and/or >60% coverage
	PET lidding films welded to mono PET trays				
	Clear/natural/translucent colours				
	Windows & Coated paper/board: single sided lamination, <10% of formed component weight				
	Paper/cardboard: recycled fibre or FSC certified virgin or recycled material				

*Recycled content as defined by ISO 14021 – Pre Consumer material can only be considered as Recycled Content if it is material diverted from the Waste Stream during a manufacturing process. This does not include rework, regrind or scrap generated in a process and capable of being reclaimed within the same process which generated it.

** Expectation is that suppliers are working with their packaging suppliers to achieve mono material solutions