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## DEPARTMENT OF FORESTRY, FISHERIES AND THE ENVIRONMENT

**NO. 8149** **5 November 2026**

### NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT: WASTE ACT, 2008 (ACT NO. 59 OF 2008)

### PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE EXTENDED PRODUCER RESPONSIBILITY SCHEME FOR THE PESTICIDE SECTOR NOTICE

I, David Maynier, Minister of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment, hereby, in terms of section 18(1) and (3), read together with sections 72 and 73 of the National Environmental Management: Waste Act, 2008 (Act No. 59 of 2008), give notice of my intention to amend the Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) Scheme for the Pesticide sector Notice, published under Government Notice R.3177 of Government *Gazette* No. 48281 on 23 March 2023, as set out in the Schedule hereto.

Members of the public are invited to submit, within thirty (30) days from the date of publication of this Notice in the Government *Gazette*, or in a national newspaper, whichever is the later date, written representations or objections to the proposed amendments to any of the following addresses:

**By post to:** The Director-General: Department of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment
Attention: Mr Jeremia Sibande
Director: Chemicals and Waste Policy and Information Management
Private Bag X447
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**By hand at:** Ground Floor (Reception), Environment House, 473 Steve Biko Road, Arcadia, 0083.

**By email:** jsibande@dffe.gov.za

Any enquiries in connection with the notice can be directed to Mr Jeremia Sibande on (012) 399 9832 or via email: jsibande@dffe.gov.za.

The draft Government Notice for the proposed amendments to the EPR Scheme for the Pesticide sector Notice, can also be accessed at http://sawic.environment.gov.za/, under “Draft documents for comment”.

The Department of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment comply with the Protection of Personal Information Act, 2013 (Act No. 4 of 2013). Comments received and responses thereto will be included in the comments and response report which may be made available to the public. If a commenting party has any objection to his or her name, or the name of the represented company/organisation, being made publicly available in any comments and responses report, such objection should be highlighted as part of the comments submitted.

**Comments received after the closing date may be disregarded.**



**DAVID MAYNIER**
**MINISTER OF FORESTRY, FISHERIES AND THE ENVIRONMENT**

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## SCHEDULE

**Definitions**

**1.** In this Schedule, any word or expression to which a meaning has been assigned in the Act bears that same meaning, and unless the context indicates otherwise –

"**the pesticide sector Notice**" means the Extended Producer Responsibility Scheme for the pesticide sector Notice, published under Government Notice R.3177 of Government *Gazette* No. 48281 on 23 March 2023.

**Amendment of paragraph 1 of the pesticide sector Notice**

**2.** Paragraph 1 of the pesticide sector Notice is hereby amended by the deletion of the definition of **"pesticide co-formulant"**;

**Amendment of paragraph 4 of the pesticide sector Notice**

**3.** Paragraph 4 of the pesticide sector Notice is hereby amended by the deletion of subparagraph 4(1)(b).;

**Amendment of Annexure 1 of the paper and packaging sector Notice**

**4.** Annexure 1 of the pesticide sector Notice is hereby amended by the substitution of Annexure 1, of the following Annexure:

**"ANNEXURE 1**

**COLLECTION**

| Product | Target (Percentage of material put into the market annually) | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Year after promulgation of Notice** | **1** | **2** | **3** | **4** | **5** |
| **Obsolete pesticides** | **0.05%** | **0.10%** | **0.125%** | **0.125%** | **0.125%** |
| **Polyethylene Terephthalate Containers** | **80%** | **100%** | **N/A** | **N/A** | **N/A** |
| **High Density Polyethylene Containers** | **80%** | **82%** | **85%** | **88%** | **90%** |
| **Low Density Polyethylene Containers** | **70%** | **80%** | **83%** | **85%** | **90%** |
| **Cardboard boxes** | **50%** | **60%** | **70%** | **80%** | **90%** |

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Paper Bags** | **50%** | **60%** | **70%** | **80%** | **90%** |
| **Polypropylene tubs and buckets** | **70%** | **80%** | **85%** | **90%** | **90%** |
| **Polypropylene Bags** | **70%** | **80%** | **85%** | **90%** | **90%** |
| **Glass bottles** | **30%** | **40%** | **50%** | **70%** | **90%** |
| **Aluminium canisters** | **50%** | **60%** | **70%** | **80%** | **90%** |
| **Steel drums** | **50%** | **60%** | **70%** | **80%** | **90%** |
| **Aerosol dispensers** | **25%** | **30%** | **40%** | **50%** | **80%** |

**RECYCLING**

| **Product** | **Target (Percentage of collected materials)** | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Year after promulgation of Notice** | **1** | **2** | **3** | **4** | **5** |
| **Polyethylene Terephthalate containers** | **0%** | **0%** | **N/A** | **N/A** | **N/A** |
| **High Density Polyethylene containers** | **85%** | **90%** | **90%** | **90%** | **95%** |
| **Low Density Polyethylene containers** | **80%** | **90%** | **90%** | **90%** | **90%** |
| **Cardboard boxes** | **60%** | **70%** | **80%** | **90%** | **90%** |
| **Paper Bags** | **50%** | **60%** | **70%** | **80%** | **90%** |
| **Polypropylene tubs and buckets** | **80%** | **90%** | **90%** | **90%** | **90%** |
| **Polypropylene bags** | **50%** | **60%** | **70%** | **80%** | **80%** |
| **Glass bottles** | **90%** | **90%** | **90%** | **90%** | **90%** |
| **Aluminium canisters** | **100%** | **100%** | **100%** | **100%** | **100%** |
| **Steel drums** | **50%** | **60%** | **70%** | **80%** | **80%** |
| **Aerosol dispensers** | **50%** | **50%** | **60%** | **70%** | **80%** |

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**THERMAL TREATMENT**

| Product | Target (Percentage of material put into the market annually) | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Year after promulgation of Notice | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| Obsolete pesticides/[co-formulant] | 0.05% | 0.10% | 0.125% | 0.125% | 0.125% |
| Polyethylene Terephthalate containers | 100% | 100% | N/A | N/A | N/A |
| Cardboard boxes | 40% | 30% | 20% | 10% | 10% |
| Paper bags | 50% | 40% | 30% | 20% | 10% |
| Polypropylene bags | 50% | 40% | 30% | 20% | 20% |
| Steel drums | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A |
| Aerosol dispensers | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A |

**THERMAL TREATMENT OF LEGACY OBSOLETE PESTICIDE STOCKPILES**

| Product | Year | Quantity to be treated |
|---|---|---|
| Obsolete pesticides | 1 | 50% |
| Obsolete pesticides | 2 | 50% |
| Obsolete pesticides | 3 | 50% |
| Obsolete pesticides | 4 | 100% |
| Obsolete pesticides | 5 | 100% |