

# Annual Report and Action Plan

Company Name: **Norgine Pty Ltd**

Trading As: **Norgine**

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## About APCO

Australian Packaging Covenant Organisation (APCO) is a co-regulatory not-for-profit organisation leading the development of a circular economy for packaging in Australia. APCO's vision is a packaging value chain that collaborates to keep packaging materials out of landfill and retains the maximum value of the materials, energy and labour within the local economy.

Each year, APCO Brand Owner Members are required to submit an APCO Annual Report and an APCO Action Plan. This document is the Annual Report and Action Plan output for the organisation listed above. This document provides the overall performance level of the organisation, as well as any commitments they have made to work towards on their packaging sustainability journey. This document may also include additional information provided by the Member in their report.

## Overall Performance **Advanced**

The chart below indicates the overall performance level of this organisation listed above in the 2024 APCO Annual Report. The organisation's reporting period was **January, 2023 - December, 2023**



### Understanding APCO Annual Reporting performance levels:

- 1 Getting Started:** You are at the start of your packaging sustainability journey.
- 2 Good Progress:** You have made some first steps on your packaging sustainability journey.
- 3 Advanced:** You have taken tangible action on your packaging sustainability journey.
- 4 Leading:** You have made significant progress on your packaging sustainability journey.
- 5 Beyond Best Practice:** You have received the highest performance level and have made significant progress on your packaging sustainability journey.

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## Additional Information

The information below indicates additional information that the organisation included in their APCO Annual Report.

Please tell us of any constraints you may have had during your chosen 12 month reporting period that has impacted on your packaging sustainability initiatives and Covenant obligations.

Regulations are in place to ensure safety and security for all products and some single use packaging materials are necessary to ensure single use and single dose of medication is accurately measured and dispensed. Packing materials allowed to be used and presentation of pharmaceuticals are controlled by our TGA registrations. This is also a constraint when it comes to innovation in the packaging materials in our supply chain.

All packaging and production is conducted outside of our local control at Norgine factories in UK and Europe.

We rely heavily on Norgine Global policies for action in this regard related to our branded product packaging.

SPG is not used in UK and Europe, but similar standards apply. Norgine Business Code includes Environmental Policy Statement dealing with efficient utilisation of resources, waste management, recycling, minimising packaging, other environments issues.

## APCO Action Plan Commitments

For each of the Packaging Sustainability Framework criteria listed below, a description is provided along with the commitments made by the organisation in their APCO Action Plan.

Criteria 1:

### Governance & Strategy:

This criteria considers actions to integrate packaging sustainability into business strategies.

- Develop a strategy that includes goals for packaging sustainability that addresses the Sustainable Packaging Guidelines (SPGs) or equivalent.
- Communicate and promote packaging sustainability objectives and targets within your organisation and to external stakeholders (suppliers, final consumers, community groups etc.).

Criteria 2:

### Design & Procurement:

This criteria considers actions taken to ensure that sustainability principles are considered in the design or procurement of both new and existing packaging through use of the Sustainable Packaging Guidelines (SPGs).

- Use the Sustainable Packaging Guidelines to review our packaging to identify opportunities for improvement.
- Record the outcomes of reviews or packaging using the Sustainable Packaging Guidelines so that any team member can refer back to them in future and for auditing purposes.

Criteria 3:

### Recycled Content:

This criteria considers actions taken to increase or optimise the amount of recycled material used by your organisation.

- Develop a policy or procedure to buy products and/or packaging made from recycled materials.
- Aim to use recycled materials in any packaging where this is feasible, including:
  - Primary packaging
  - Secondary packaging
  - Tertiary packaging

Criteria 4:

### Recoverability:

This criteria considers actions taken to improve the recovery of packaging at end-of-life and increase use of reusable packaging.

- Investigate whether all of our packaging is recyclable at end-of-life and identify any gaps and opportunities for greater reuse or recycling.

Criteria 5:

### Disposal Labelling:

This criteria considers the extent to which packaging has been labelled to help consumers determine what to do with packaging at end-of-life.

- As packaging is updated or refreshed, add on-pack information for consumers on recyclability or correct disposal.

Criteria 6:

### On-site Waste:

This criteria considers progress in increasing the amount of on-site solid waste being diverted from landfill.

- Develop a system to collect and recycle used packaging generated at our facilities.

Criteria 7:

### Problematic Materials:

This criteria considers the extent to which organisations are actively phasing out problematic and unnecessary

single-use plastic packaging and preventing/reducing litter.

- Undertake the following to help reduce the impact of litter:
  - Look for opportunities to redesign packaging to eliminate components that may have the propensity to become litter
  - Pharmaceutical products must be manufactured from original materials. All packaging and production is conducted outside of our local control at Norgine factories in UK and Europe. Regulations are in place to ensure safety and security for all products and some single use packaging materials are necessary to ensure single use and single dose of medication is accurately measured and dispensed. Packing materials and presentation is controlled by our TGA registrations. Where possible and practical and legal under the regulations we use recycled and recyclable materials. All packaging and production is conducted outside of our local control at Norgine factories in UK and Europe. We rely heavily on Norgine Global policies for action in this regard related to our branded product packaging. SPG is not used in UK and Europe, but similar standards apply. Norgine Business Code includes Environmental Policy Statement dealing with efficient utilisation of resources, waste management, recycling, minimising  
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packaging, other environments issues.  
Local office actions:  
Paper and container recycling in place as part of building services.  
Printer toner and waster cartridges are collected for recycling by supplier.  
Paper and cardboard advertising materials are placed for recycling.  
IT e-waste is taken to local area collection point as required.  
3PL warehouse.  
Plastic Wrap Excess wrap collected and recycled separately at 3PL warehouse. Bundled into bales for periodic collection. Shipper cartons Excess cardboard collected and recycled separately at 3PL warehouse.  
cardboard separated and collected. Damaged and expired pharmaceutical stock requires formal destruction which is documented. No product is to go directly into landfill waste stream without appropriate destruction (usually incineration). But this also limits the ability to recycle and reuse.

#### Further commitments:

These commitments look at additional actions the organisation may take to improve reporting.

- Report against the full Packaging Sustainability Framework report next year.