

# APCO Performance Summary

Company Name: **Sigma Company Limited**

Trading As:

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## About the APCO Annual Report & Performance

The score above and chart below indicate your organisation's overall performance in the 2022 APCO Annual Report. With your chosen reporting period of **January, 2021 - December, 2021** you have achieved a **Good Progress** overall performance level.

1 Getting Started    2 Good Progress    3 Advanced    4 Leading    5 Beyond Best Practice

### 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.

### Packaging Sustainability Framework criteria

Criteria 1: **Governance & Strategy** This criteria considers actions to integrate packaging sustainability into business strategies.

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).

Criteria 3: **Recycled Content** This criteria considers actions taken to increase or optimise the amount of recycled material used by your organisation.

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Criteria 4:

**Recoverability**

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

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.

Criteria 6:

**On-site Waste**

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

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.

**APCO Annual Report Criteria Performance & Responses**

Provided below are your organisation's responses to the questions within the APCO Annual Report.

Criteria 1

**Governance & Strategy**

Does your organisation have a strategy that includes goals for packaging sustainability that addresses the Sustainable Packaging Guidelines (SPGs) or equivalent?

Yes  No

Supporting Evidence

Sigma intends to set up a sustainability steering committee that will develop and implement a sustainability strategy and action plans. The 2025 National Packaging Targets will be considered as part of the strategy development process. This strategy will have executive sponsorship and be presented to the Board for review. It is likely that sustainability objectives and targets will be regularly promoted within our organisation at a later stage.

Criteria 2

**Design & Procurement**

Do you use the SPGs to review your packaging?

Yes  No

Are you keeping records of the outcomes of your reviews using the SPGs?

Yes  No

Please provide an example of a positive outcome you have achieved.

In previous years Sigma has supplied over 89,000 of the Amcal paper bags to pharmacies. The sales rate for these bags has been boosted by the lower cost to pharmacy and the addition of a bar code so that pharmacy staff can scan the bag at the register and easily on forward the cost to consumers. However, the total amount of actual packaging for individual items is not tracked.

How many reviews did you conduct during the reporting period?

0

### Supporting Evidence

#### Criteria 3

#### Recycled Content

Do you have a policy or procedure to buy products and/or packaging made from recycled materials?

Yes  No

Does any of your packaging contain recycled materials?

Primary

Yes  No

Secondary

Yes  No

Tertiary

Yes  No

### Supporting Evidence

Primary (bottles or blister packs) - No, Secondary (box) No, Tertiary (cardboard boxes, pallets) - Yes where possible. Packaging requirements are mandated by Therapeutic Goods Administration (TGA) as the key regulator for the pharmaceutical industry. Regulatory requirements are a priority when it comes to packaging. However, Sigma proactively looks for opportunities to reduce waste generated wherever possible.

## Criteria 4

**Recoverability**

Have you investigated the recoverability of your packaging to look for opportunities for greater reuse or recycling?

Yes  No

## Supporting Evidence

Recycling of cardboard boxes has led to a significant decrease in land waste and a corresponding reduction in the purchase of new cardboard boxes.

## Criteria 5

**Disposal Labelling**

Do you provide disposal information for your packaging on-pack?

Yes  No

## Supporting Evidence

## Criteria 6

**On-site Waste**

Do you have a system to collect and recycle used packaging generated at your facilities (e.g. office, warehouse etc.)

Yes  No

## Supporting Evidence

1. Cardboard compactor.
2. Plastic baler and
3. Engaged an external waste management company to reduce and redirect waste from landfill.

## Criteria 7

**Problematic Materials**

Which of the following activities do you undertake to help reduce the impact of litter?

- Conduct regular clean-ups on-site
- Participate in Business Clean-Up Day
- Redesign packaging to eliminate components that may have the propensity to become litter
- Other (please specify)

Please specify

1. Conduct regular cleanups.
2. Other - Use compactor to reduce the volume of waste and recycle or redirect waste as practicable from landfill.

- None of the above

Supporting Evidence

**Additional Information**

- No additional information

Please tell us about any innovative packaging sustainability initiatives you have implemented during your chosen 12 month reporting period.

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.