

17th November 2021

Dear John

Plastic Tax – 1st April 2022

At Budget 2017, the government announced a call for evidence into using the tax system or charges to tackle single-use plastic waste and received 162,000 responses.

At Budget 2018, a new tax on plastic packaging with less than 30% recycled plastic was announced. The government launched a consultation in February 2019 seeking input on the initial proposals for the design of the tax. A summary of responses was published in July 2019.

At Budget 2020, the government announced key decisions on the design of the tax, and HM Revenue & Customs (HMRC) launched a consultation on the more detailed design and implementation of the tax.

On 12 November 2020, the government published the draft primary legislation for technical consultation, alongside a summary of responses for the consultation held earlier in 2020. Feedback from the technical consultation was used to amend the primary legislation.

Primary legislation was included in Finance Bill 2021 and received Royal Assent 10 June 2021.

The tax will take effect from 1 April 2022.

This is a new tax that will apply to plastic packaging manufactured in, or imported into the UK, that does not contain at least 30% recycled plastic. Plastic packaging is packaging that is predominantly plastic by weight.

It will not apply to any plastic packaging which contains at least 30% recycled plastic, or any packaging which is not predominantly plastic by weight.

I can confirm that all Novostrat Packaging Products delivered into the UK on or after 1st April 2022 will have a minimum of 30% recycled content and the tax will **NOT** apply.

Yours sincerely

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