

APCO Performance Summary

Company Name: **HAARS NURSERY**

Trading As: **HAAR'S Nursery**

ABN: **96007196652**

About the APCO Annual Report & Performance

The score above and chart below indicate your organisation's overall performance in the 2023 APCO Annual Report. With your chosen reporting period of **July, 2021 - June, 2022**, you have achieved a **Advanced** 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

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.

How many reviews did you conduct during the reporting period?

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

Criteria 4

Recoverability

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

Yes No

Supporting Evidence

Primary Packaging:

100% of plant pots used by Haars Nursery are made from PP5 polypropylene and are recyclable.

100% of plant labels used by Haars Nursery are made from PP5 polypropylene and are recyclable.

Secondary Packaging:

100% of plant trays used by Haars Nursery are made from PP5 polypropylene. Non-damaged trays are

Your full response can be found towards the end of this document.

Criteria 5

Disposal Labelling

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

Yes No

Supporting Evidence

All PP5 polypropylene plant pots are marked with recycling label

All PP% polypropylene plant labels are marked with recycling label.

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

Undamaged plant pots and labels are cleaned and reused on site.

Damaged plant pots are collected and recycled.

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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

Co-mingled recycling bin at both nursery sites to reduce litter and divert waste 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.

Currently conducting trial of replacing plastic plant labels with cardboard labels which can be recycled by customers in household kerbside recycling bins.

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.

Full Open Responses

Criteria 4 - Supporting Evidence

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100% of plant labels used by Haars Nursery are made from PP5 polypropylene and are recyclable.

Secondary Packaging:

100% of plant trays used by Haars Nursery are made from PP5 polypropylene. Non-damaged trays are recovered from customers and reused. Damaged trays are recycled,

PP6 plug trays used in propagation of young plants are now able to be recycled by pot manufacturer.

Criteria 6 - Supporting Evidence

Undamaged plant pots and labels are cleaned and reused on site.

Damaged plant pots are collected and recycled.

Used cardboard is collected on-site is collected by Cleanaway for recycling.

Office mixed recycling is also collected by Cleanaway for recycling.