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Foreword

This document (EN 13430:2004) has been prepared by Technical Committee CEN/TC 261 “Packaging”, the secretariat of which is held by AFNOR.

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For relationship with EU Directive(s), see informative Annex ZA , which is an integral part of this document.

This document forms one of a series of standards and reports prepared under Mandate M 200 rev3 and the second Standardisation Mandate M 317 given to CEN by the European Commission and the European Free Trade Association to support the European Council and Parliament Directive on Packaging and Packaging Waste [94/62/EC]. The procedure for applying this document in conjunction with the other mandated standards and reports, is specified in EN 13427 .

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Introduction

The Directive on Packaging and Packaging Waste (94/62/EC) defines essential requirements for packaging to be considered recoverable. This document amplifies these requirements with respect to material recycling. The European Standard EN 13427 provides a framework within which this and four other standards may be used together to support a claim that a packaging is in compliance with the essential requirements for packaging to be placed on the market as required by the Directive.

NOTE The Directive 94/62/EC is amended by European Parliament and Council Directive 2004/12/EC of 11 February 2004.

The purpose of packaging is the containment, protection, distribution and presentation of products. Material recycling of used packaging is one of several recovery options in the post use strategy. In order to save resources and minimise waste, the whole system in which the packaging takes part should be optimised. This includes prevention as well as reuse and recovery of packaging waste.

This document presents a framework for self-assessment to determine whether the requirements of this document have been met. Its approach is similar to that of systems standards such as the EN ISO 9000 series or an environmental management system such as EN ISO 14001.

This document also provides practical guidance in assessing recyclability.

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