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# Ecodesign for Sustainable Products Regulation [ESPR]

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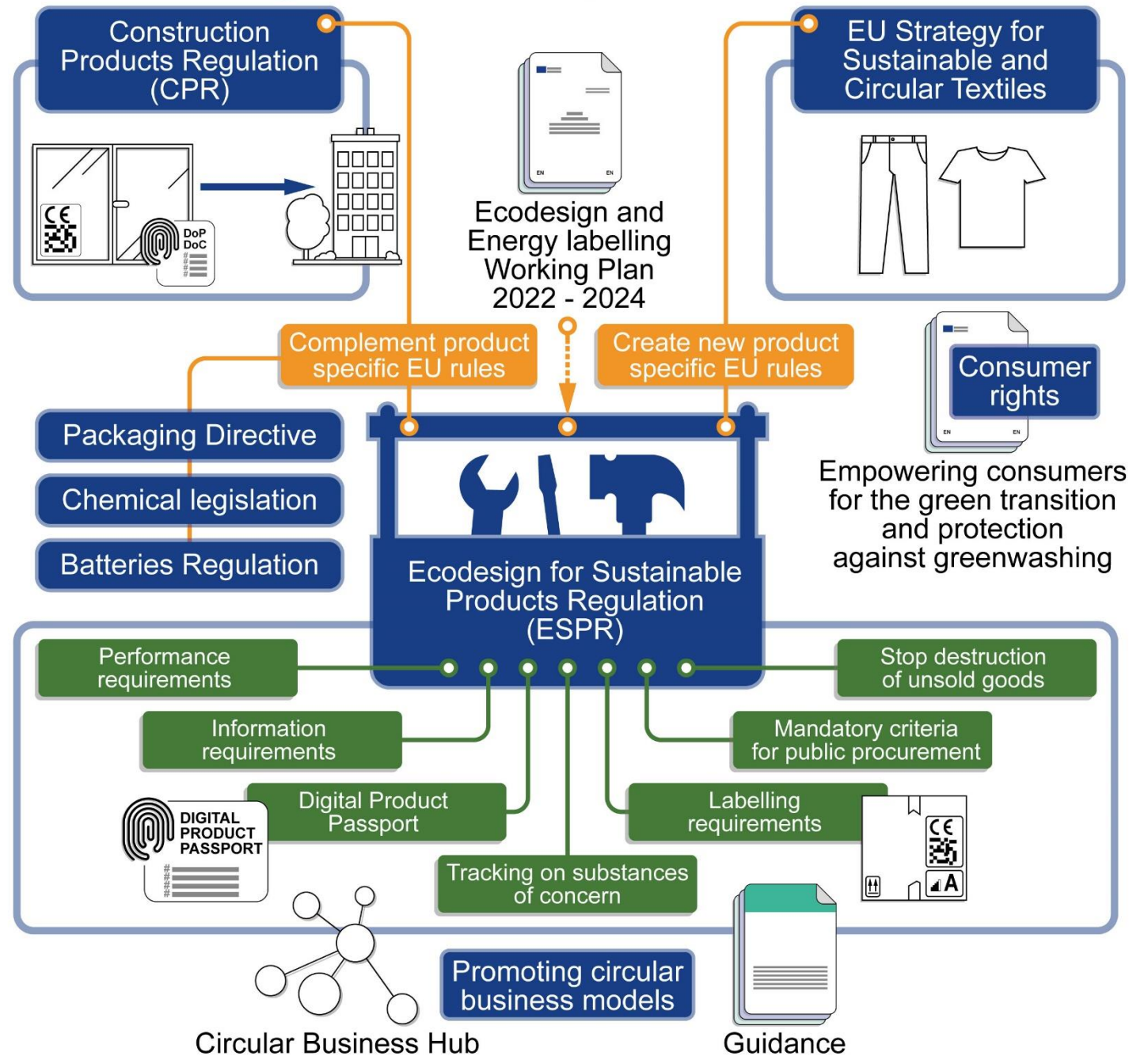
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# The Circular Economy package

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## Making sustainable products the norm



# Main features of ESPR



Replaces 2009 Ecodesign Directive (32 product groups)

Applies to almost all products + wider range of criteria

Framework – detail in delegated acts

Introduction of Digital Product Passport

Transparency and prevention of destruction of unsold goods

Green Public Procurement

# Scope



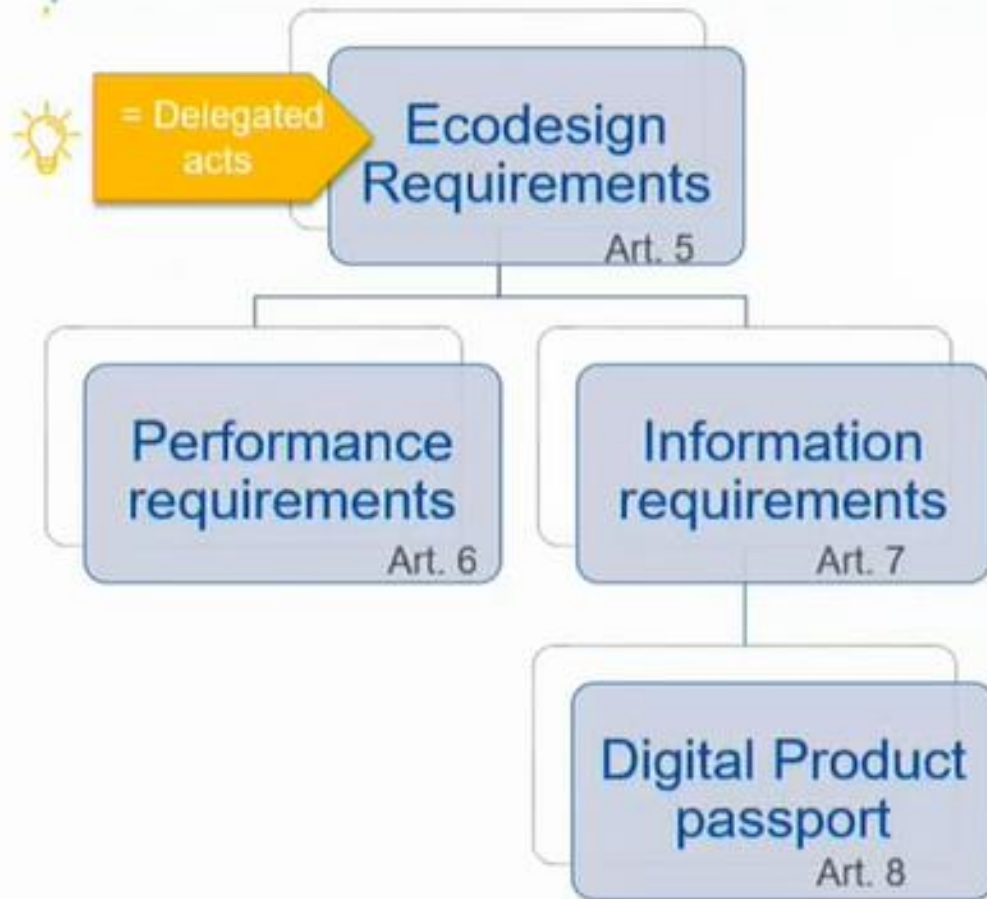
- Article 1(2) – This Regulation shall apply to products with the exception of:
  - *Food and feed*
  - *Medicinal and veterinary products*
  - *Living plants, animals and micro-organisms*
  - *Products of human origin*
  - *vehicles*

# Key ecodesign product aspects



## ESPR

### Key Ecodesign product aspects



- **durability, reliability; reusability, upgradability;**
- **reparability**; possibility of **maintenance** and **refurbishment**;
- presence of **substances of concern**;
- **energy use** or **energy efficiency**;
- **resource use** or **resource efficiency**;
- **recycled content**;
- possibility of **remanufacturing** and **recycling**;
- possibility of **recovery** of materials;
- **environmental impacts**, including carbon and environmental footprint;
- expected generation of **waste** materials.

# Digital Product Passport



- Chapter III (Articles 8 – 13) – with details to be set out in delegated act
- DPP will provide information about products' environmental sustainability.
- Accessible by scanning a data carrier
- Include info on the durability and reparability, the recycled content or the availability of spare parts of a product
- consumers and businesses make informed choices when purchasing products, facilitate repairs and recycling and improve transparency about products' life cycle impacts on the environment.
- Help public authorities to better perform checks and controls.
- [CIRPASS](#) project gradual piloting and deployment of DPPs
  - [State of play and possible future developments of the DPP Tickets, Tue 5 Mar 2024 at 09:30 | Eventbrite](#)

# Timelines and priority products



Political agreement reached between Council, Commission and Parliament December 2023

Publication in the Official Journal and adoption expected soon.

Ireland working to put in place market surveillance arrangements.

Expect Commission work plan setting out priority products 9 months after entry into force (so end-2024)



# Article 16 – Prioritisation and Planning



*In the first working plan, [to be adopted no later than 9 months after the entry into force of this Regulation], the Commission shall prioritise the following product groups: - iron, steel - aluminium - textiles, notably garments and footwear - furniture, including mattresses - tyres - detergents - paints - lubricants - chemicals - energy related products, the implementing measures for which need to be revised or newly defined - ICT products and other electronics. If any of those product groups is not included in the working plan or if any other product group is included, the Commission shall provide a justification for its decision in the working plan.*



# Thank you!



- Any questions?

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