Packaging Recyclability Evaluation Portal

The PREP tool provides the evidence behind packaging disposal claims.

What is it?

The Packaging Recyclability Evaluation Portal (PREP) is a unique online tool that packaging designers can use to assess the recyclability of a package.

How does it work?

Packaging designers must enter all the specifications of the package to assess its technical recyclability:

- Its shape
- Its size (XS, S, M, L, XL)
- Its weight
- The inks used
- Adhesives
- Colourants etc...

It then assesses if that item or material will be collected and processed through councils' kerbside collection services. Kerbside access levels are determined from Planet Ark's website: recyclingnearyou.com.au.

The PREP assessment underpins claims using the Australasian Recycling Label. The label can only be used if there is a PREP report that backs up its disposal claims.

To keep the PREP up to date, APCO formed a Technical Advisory Committee, including packaging and waste management experts, who meet regularly to discuss the status...