

Packaging that disrupts the recycling process

One of the obligations under the Sociedade Ponto Verde licence is to distinguish between Green Dot Fees (GDFs) of packaging on the basis of its recyclability. For 2020 there will therefore be fines designed to discourage the use of packaging that disrupts the recycling process and to encourage the use of materials or combinations of materials that are proven to be easier to recycle.

The penalty will consist of a 10% increase in the unit GDF of materials that make up the following three types of packaging (including all their components):

PACKAGING SUBJECT TO PENALTY	EXAMPLE	SUGGESTION FOR IMPROVEMENT
PET BOTTLES WITH METAL CAP		CHANGE TO PET BOTTLES WITH PLASTIC CAPS (PP, HDPE OR LDPE)
GLASS BOTTLES WITH NON-REMOVABLE CERAMIC AND STEEL STOPPER		CHANGE TO GLASS BOTTLES WITH REMOVABLE STOPPERS OR REPLACE CERAMIC BY ANOTHER MATERIAL COMPATIBLE WITH GLASS RECYCLING
PET BOTTLES WITH PVC LABELS		CHANGE TO PET BOTTLES WITH A PAPER OR CARDBOARD LABEL OR ANOTHER TYPE OF PLASTIC COMPATIBLE WITH PET RECYCLING (PP, HDPE OR LDPE)

GDF table plus penalties applying only to the above three types of packaging

MATERIAL	FEE (€/KG) WITH PENALTY (Updated august 2020)
GLASS	0,02321
PLASTIC	0,24629
PAPER AND CARDBOARD	0,14476
BEVERAGE CARTONS	0,23221
STEEL	0,25443
ALUMINIUM	0,03553
WOOD	0,06347
OTHER MATERIALS	0,15158

VAT at the legal rate shall be added to all amounts referred to