

Climate Change & Sustainability Regulatory Timeline

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- 2022:** Initiative to substitute single-use packaging, tableware and cutlery for reusable products in food services (2021). Methodologies to track and minimise the presence of substances of concern in recycled materials (2021). Harmonised information systems for the presence of substances or concern (2021). Commission adoption of EU Strategy for Textiles (Third Quarter 2021). Scoping the development of further EU-wide end-of-waste and by-product criteria (2021). European Climate Law 2050 Net Zero target and interim target of 55% by 2030 (9 July 2021). Second review of Directive on Combined Transport (2021). Proposal for more stringent air pollutant emissions standards for combustion engine vehicles (2021). Revision of measures to address pollution from large industrial installations (Fourth Quarter 2021). CMA publishes guidance on environmental claims on goods and services (20 September 2021). Environment Bill 2021/22 (?).

Legend:

- European Green Deal (Green Bar)
- Circular Economy Action Plan (Dark Blue Bar)
- Financial Regulatory Milestones (Light Blue Bar)
- Other Developments (Dark Purple Bar)

Notes:

- Timescales may be subject to COVID-19 related delays.