The EU Battery Regulation

Sustainable and circular batteries to support EU's energy transition

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EU Battery Regulation

State of Play Process – Key Elements

Design Requirements

Art. 7 & Annex II - Carbon Footprint Art. 8 - Recycled content

End-of-life Requirements

Art. 71 & Annex XII Recycling Efficiency & Material Recovery

Conformity of Batteries

Subject & Process

Secondary Legislation

Hazardous Substances – Carbon Footprint – Recycled Content – Performance & Durability – BESS Safety – Labelling – DD Policies – End-of-life Management – Reporting – Battery Passport

Conclusions & Recommendations

Conclusions – Requirements – Your role?



Process

- Commission proposal published Dec. 2020
- EUCO & EP agreed their positions in March 2022
- Trilogue took another 9 month
- Compromise took most on the Council positions
- Consolidated text published June 7, 2023
- Final vote by EP & EUCO postponed from March to end of June 2023
- Battery Regulation enters in force 20 days after publication

Battery Regulation now expected entering into force in Q3 2023





Process

- Battery Regulation applies 6 month after entering into force
- · Chapter VI (economic operators) applies 12 month after eif
- Chapter II Design requirements kick in with specific schedules, P&D is first and starts applying 12 month after eif
- Chapter VII Due Diligence & Chapter VIII Management of waste batteries start applying 24
 month after eif
- Secondary legislation under development

Focus now - support secondary legislation









Key elements

- 1st holistic piece of legislation under EU Green Deal entire life cycle: sourcing, design, use and end-of life
- Dual legal base Regulation follows common market rules (Art. 114 of "Treaty")
- Chapter VIII refers to Art. 192 MSs are free to implement more stringent end-of-life management measures.
- Separate regime to restrict substances in batteries (Art. 6, Art 86 88).
- Compliance with design requirements (Chapter II Carbon Footprint, Recycled Content, Performance & Durability) will serve as criteria for market access
- Conformity assessment & declaration scheme (CE Declaration, Chapter IV & V) as key element for enforcement and market surveillance





Key elements

- Supply chain due diligence (Chapter VII) for selected raw materials
- Chapter VIII on waste management defines provisions for recycling and reuse and allocates EPR
- Chapter VIII promotes producer responsibility organization rather than individual solutions
- Extensive labeling and information requirements (Art. 13/Art. 14)
- QR Code mandatory for all batteries
- QR Code for LMT, EV batteries and IE batteries > 2kWh will be linked to further level of information (Art. 77 Battery passport)





Design requirements – Carbon Footprint

Art. 7 & Annex II - Carbon Footprint

- A design requirement will also serve as criteria for market access
- CF applies to EV -, IE > 2kWh and LMT batteries
- Stepwise approach as secondary legislation still needs to developed and published
 - COM to publish calculation methodology, Industry has to declare CF information
 - COM to publish CF Classes, Industry has to label CF Class
 - COM defines max. CF class for market access, products above max. CF Class excluded from market
- Applies to battery model, CF is subject to CE Declaration
- Double timeline reference to COM activity & EIF whichever is the later applies!



Design requirements – Carbon Footprint

Art. 7 & Annex II - Carbon Footprint

- Declaration
 - EV 18 month after EIF or 12 month after DA, whichever is the latest
 - IE > 2kWh 30 month after EIF or 18 month after DA, whichever is the latest
 - LMT 60 month after EIF or 18 month after DA, whichever is the latest
- CF class label
 - EV 36 month after EIF or 18 month after DA, whichever is the latest
 - IE > 2kWh 48 month after EIF or 18 month after DA, whichever is the latest
 - LMT 78 month after EIF or 18 month after DA, whichever is the latest
- Max. CF class for market access
 - EV 54 month after EIF or 18 month after DA, whichever is the latest
 - IE > 2kWh 66 month after EIF or 18 month after DA, whichever is the latest
 - LMT 96 month after EIF or 18 month after DA, whichever is the latest



Design requirements – Recycled Content

Art. 8 - Recycled Content

- A design requirement will also serve as criteria for market access
- Applies to SLI, EV, LMT & Industrial batteries > 2kWh
- · Applies to "battery model"
- RC is subject to CE Declaration
- Stepwise approach
 - 2031 16% Co, 85% Pb, 6% Li, 6% Ni
 - 2036 26% Co, 85% Pb, 12% Li, 15% Ni





End-of-life requirements - RE & MR

Art. 71 & Annex XII - Recycling Efficiency & Material Recovery target

- Expectations on the recycling process, hence relevant for recycling operations
- Numeric targets already defined, calculation methodology is not, requires secondary legislation!
- EU Joint Research Centre was tasked to develop calculation methodology
- Industry involved in JRC working group that develops RE & MR calculation rules
- JRC presented initial draft in Feb 2023 looks fine to us





Conformity of batteries

Subject & Process

- Shortcoming of previous Directive now corrected
- Entire Chapter V describes the administration needed to supervise conformity of batteries
- Notified body (Art. 21) to supervise conformity assessments on national level
- Chapter IV & Annex VIII describe subject & process:
 - Conformity to Articles 6, 9, 10, 12, 13 and 14 follow "internal production control" (Annex VIII, Part A, Module A) – self declaration
 - Conformity with carbon footprint (Art. 7), recycled content (Art. 8) follow "quality assurance of the production process" (Annex VII, Part B Module D1) – declaration supervised by "notified body"



Conformity of batteries

Subject & Process

		Portables	SLI & AUX	Industrial <2kWh	Industrial >2kWh	LMT	EV	BESS
Annex VIII Part A	Art 6 - Chemicals	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х
	Art 9/10 P&D	х			х	х	х	Х
	Art 11 Removeability	Х				Х		
	Art 12 Safety of BESS							Х
	Art 13 Labelling	х	х	х	х	х	х	х
	Art 14 State of health					(X)	х	х
Annex VIII Part B	Art 7 CF				х		х	х
	Art 8 RC		х		х		х	х

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Secondary legislation

Risk & Opportunities!



Hazardous substance management COM evaluation report (Art. 6) – restriction procedure (Art 86-88)



Carbon Footprint (Art. 7) Methodology – Format – Classes – Market access



Recycled Content (Art. 8) Methodology – Target re-assessment – Market access



Performance & Durability (Art. 10) Methodology – Market access



BESS Safety (Art. 12) Common specification



Labelling (Art. 13) Harmonized specifications



Due Diligence Policies (Art. 47ff) Application guideline – Substances – Risk categories



End-of-life Management (Art. 71ff) Recycling efficiency – Material recovery – Equivalent conditions – Reuse & repurpose



Reporting (Art. 76) Report to Commission



Battery Passport (Art. 77) Format - Update content – Access level criteria



Conclusions & Recommendations

Conclusions

- Design requirements, Substance management, Supply chain DD, more complex EPR & enhanced labeling and information requirements, extensive reporting of market- and eoldata results in micro managing the battery industry
- More complexity & more dynamics
 - Directive 30 Articles, 17 Definitions, 3 Annexes, 2 pieces of secondary legislation
 - Regulation 96 Articles, 68 Definitions, 15 Annexes, 40+ pieces of secondary legislation (DAs & IAs)
 - Complex implementation schedule
- Dual legal basis is a missed opportunity for level playing field among the MS
- Regulation defines framework to support European Industry, more content (Secondary legislation) needed Execution will be key



Conclusions & Recommendations

Requirements to batteries

	Portables	SLI & AUX	Industrial <2kWh	Industrial >2kWh	LMT	EV	BESS
Art 6 Chemicals	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х
Art 7 Carbon Footprint				Х	Х	Х	Х
Art 8 Recycled Content		Х		Х		Х	Х
Art 9/10 P&D	Х			Х	Х	Х	Х
Art 11 Removability	х				х		
Art 12 Safety of BESS							Х
Art 13 Labelling	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х
Art 14 State of health					(X)	Х	Х
Art 18 Declaration of Conformity	Х	Х	Х	Х	х	х	х
Art 20 CE Label	х	х	х	х	х	Х	Х
Art 48 Due Diligence	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	Х	(X)
Art 59/60 Collection Targets	х				х		
Art. 77 Battery Passport				Х	Х	Х	Х

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Conclusions & Recommendations

Clarify your role under Battery Regulation

Be active partner in developing secondary legislation! Define your role and responsibilities!

- Review Chapter VI & Definitions Identify your role as economic operators Manufacturer, Producer, Importer,...
- Classify your portfolio (SLI/AUX, Industrial, LMT,...) along the Battery Regulation definitions
- Set up schedule & responsibilities for design requirements under Chapter II
- Extend purchase policies to satisfy Chapter VII due diligence requirements
- Allocate responsibilities for Chapter VIII "Management of waste batteries"



Thank you

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