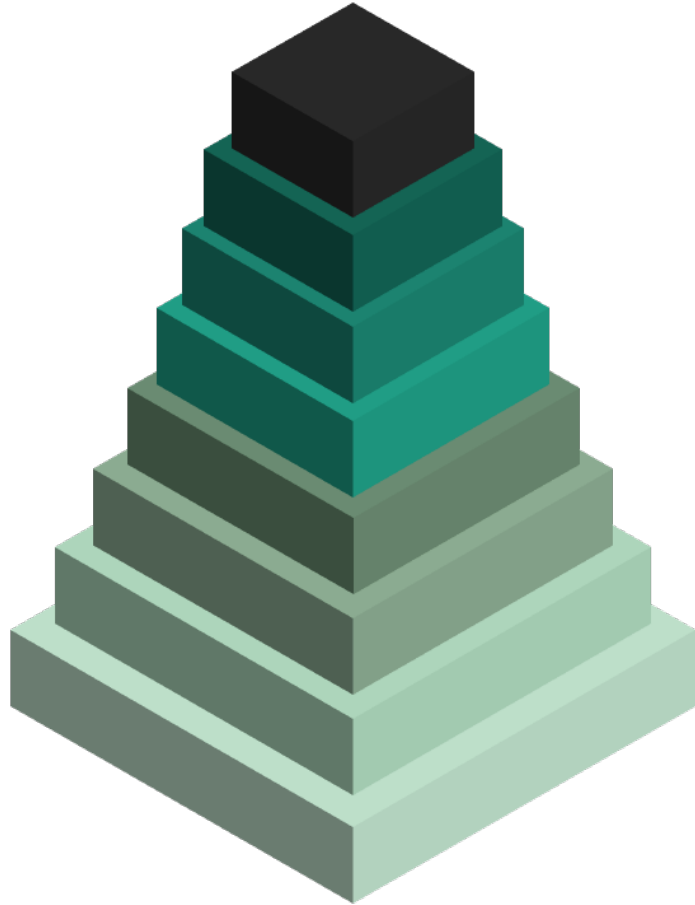


# General Programme Instructions 5.0.0 - key changes and what's driving them

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# What are the General Programme Instructions?



## **01 COMPLEMENTARY PRODUCT CATEGORY RULES (C-PCR)**

Additional rules for a specific product group within a product category

## **02 PRODUCT CATEGORY RULES (PCR)**

Specific rules for one or more product categories

## **03 PRODUCT SPECIFIC STANDARDS**

EN 15804, ISO 21930, etc.

## **04 GENERAL PROGRAMME INSTRUCTIONS**

Regulation on overall administration and operation

## **05 ECO PLATFORM STANDARDS**

Regulation on administration, calculation and verification

## **06 EPD STANDARDS**

ISO 14025, ISO 14026, ISO/TS 14027 and ISO/TS 14029

## **07 LCA STANDARDS**

ISO 14040, ISO 14044, ISO 14067 and ISO/TS 14071

## **08 ORGANISATIONAL STANDARDS**

ISO 9001, ISO/IEC 17029, ISO 14065 and ISO/IEC 17065

# The content of the GPI

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- Rules on four aspects of the programme:
  1. General operation of the programme.
  2. EPD development and maintenance, including content of the EPD and LCA method.
  3. EPD verification procedures.
  4. PCR content, development and maintenance.
  
- Not all rules come into force at the same time.

# GPI 5 prepares us for the future

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Compliance

Harmonisation

Digitalisation

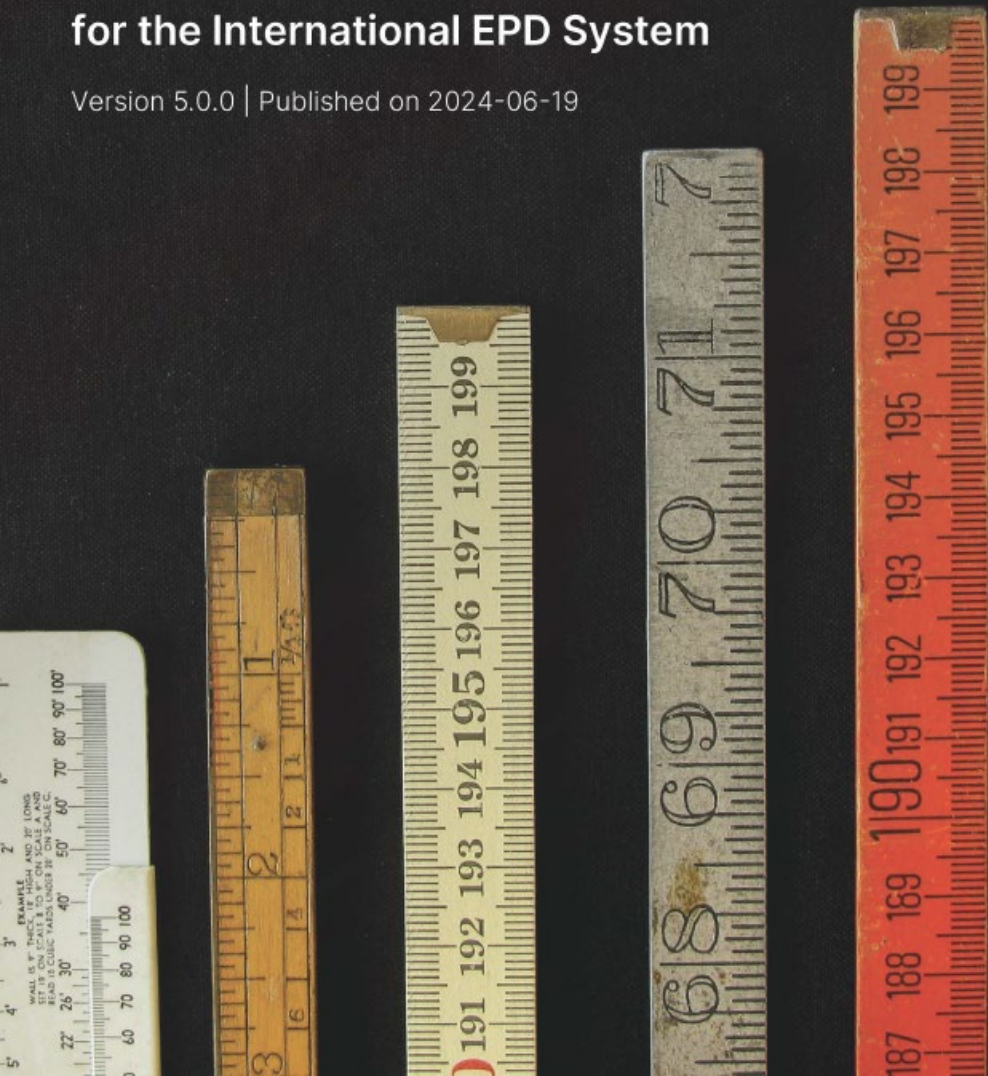


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## Selection of main changes in GPI 5



# Stricter rules on setting rules

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- Rules are:
  - Requirements (“shall”)
  - Recommendations (“should”)
  - Permissions (“can”, “may”)
  
- As of GPI 5, rules shall only exist in:
  - GPI
  - PCRs
  - [www.environdec.com/indicators](http://www.environdec.com/indicators)
  - References, such as standards, that the above refer to

# Stricter rules on setting rules

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- Clearer separation into large, medium and small updates of GPI and PCRs
- Changes in requirements in large updates only
- Clearer rules on transition periods between GPI and PCR versions
- Stricter rules on version management and archiving for updates

- New and mandatory structure and headlines

## 7.4 REPORTING FORMAT PER SECTION

The EPD shall include the following sections. Other sections shall not be included, and other headings shall not be used, unless an applicable PCR says otherwise:

- Cover page (see Section 7.4.1)
- General information (see Section 7.4.2)
  - Programme information
  - PCR and verification
  - Ownership and limitations on use of EPD
- Information about EPD owner (see Section 7.4.3)
- Product information (see Section 7.4.4)
- Content declaration (see Section 7.4.5)
- LCA information (see Section 7.4.6)
- Environmental performance (see Section 7.4.7)
- References (see Section 7.4.13)
- Abbreviations (see Section 7.4.12)

The following sections may be included:

- Additional environmental information (see Section 7.4.8)
- Additional social and economic information (see Section 7.4.9)

The following sections shall be included, if applicable:

- Information related to sector EPDs (see Section 7.4.10)
- Version history (see Section 7.4.11)



# Harmonisation of LCA rules

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- Until GPI 4, 70-80% of the EPDs followed other LCA rules than those in the GPI – because the GPI was not aligned with EN 15804
- GPI 5 is much more aligned with:
  - PCR 2019:14 Construction products
  - EN 15804, ISO 21930, EN 15941
  - ECO Platform standards

# More rules on pre-verified tools

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- Three types:
  - Pre-verified LCA tools
  - Pre-verified EPD tools
  - Pre-verified and integrated EPD tools
  
- For each type, new and clearer rules on the scope of pre-verification, maintenance, updates, handling non-compliance, etc.



**Thanks for listening**