

Article 5 Design UK

1. Each Party **shall** take measures to:
 - a. promote **the** design of plastic products in order to:
 - I. reduce the use of primary **plastics and increase reuse and the use of recycled plastics, including through design standards and targets,**
 - II. **improve the safety and durability of plastic products and promote the use of safe and sustainable chemicals,**
 - III. **improve** their ability to be reused, **refurbished, refilled,** repaired, recycled and disposed of in a safe and environmentally sound manner upon becoming waste, **including through implementation and scaling of solutions and systems, and in accordance with the waste hierarchy,**
 - IV. **minimize emissions and releases of plastic pollution, including littering and releases of microplastics,**
 - b. foster research, innovation, development and use of sustainable alternatives ~~and non-plastic substitutes~~, including products, technologies and services, taking into account the best available science, and, **where relevant,** traditional knowledge, knowledge of Indigenous Peoples and local knowledge systems and their potential for waste reduction and reuse, as well as their environmental, socio-economic, and human health impacts across their life cycle.
2. **The Conference of the Parties shall, in order to achieve the objectives in paragraph 1, adopt an additional annex in accordance with Article 24 identifying product design requirements, following a sectoral approach. Each Party shall comply with the requirements, if any, set out in the annex.**
3. **The Conference of Parties shall establish a schedule of work, following a sectoral approach, to support the implementation of this article and make recommendations to the Conference of the Parties.**