

# GSMP Global Product Classification (GPC) Standards Maintenance Group (SMG)

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## **Business purpose**

This group maintains the GS1 Global Product Classification system. This work group acts as a pool of experts for all GPC work groups and coordinates with associated Mission Specific work groups.

## **2025 year in review**

- GPC May and November 2025 publications published.
- Completed worked with GS1 US on U.S. government use of GPC in SNAP-related initiatives (e.g., Arkansas pilot).
- Updated GPC delta JSON and XLS Files to add a field for replacement code property.
- Completed work with IKEA to align GPC with their category assortment.
- GPC Implementation Guide update complete, with new sections on key GPC attributes rules.
- GPC Training delivered to GS1 Brazil and GS1 Denmark.
- Support provided to GS1 Denmark to upload their language into the GPC tool.

## **Risks**

- None

## **Stakeholders**

SDL	Eileen Harpell
CE/Sol Liaison	Elsa Braz
SME	Elsa Braz
AG Liaison	Natalia Casas
Chair	Anne-Sophie Huygens, Natalia Casas

## **Next 6 months**

- Ongoing processing of GPC maintenance requests and preparation for the May 2026 Publication.
- Collaboration with GS1 France and Sodexo underway to enrich the GPC schema particularly in service sectors, where current GPC coverage is limited.

## **Risks**

- None

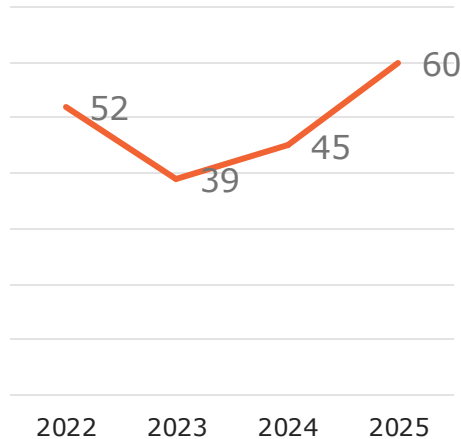


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## Publication deliverables

1	GPC Nov 2025 Release	
2	GPC May 2026 Release	

## Work Request activity by year



## Top work request submitters for 2025

Submitter	Number of WR
GS1 Belgium & Lux	15
GS1 Global Office	9
GS1 Netherlands	7

New risks (scope and resources) identified

No

Change request included

No



Legend

Complete

Not Started

On Time

Risk of being late

Change needed  
(not recoverable)