

## Environmental policy



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## PAPYRUS' PRINCIPALS FOR ENVIRONMENTAL RESPONSIBILITY

The environmental policy is there to help us minimise how our operations affect the environment and comply with applicable laws and regulations

Papyrus is committed to manage and develop our business in a sustainable manner. Balancing our economic, environmental and social responsibilities is necessary for sustainable business and is beneficial to our stakeholders.

At Papyrus we have a one company approach, meaning that we operate according to our values, policies and principles everywhere.

We address sustainability throughout our value chain and we expect our suppliers and partners to comply with Papyrus' policies and principles related to environmental and social responsibility.

### **Papyrus Environmental Policy**

Through constant improvements we strive to minimise and prevent negative impact on our environment from transports, manufacturing and packaging to dealing with goods and other activities which are associated with Papyrus' line of business.

We comply with national legislation requirements which set the minimum standard for Papyrus' environmental performance and behaviour. We strive to, when possible, outperform the legislation. Our business should support a proactive and precautionary approach to environmental challenges.

Our standpoint is that our policy concerns the entire product lifecycle, including manufacturers, suppliers and customers.

### **Key elements of the environmental policy**

- *Carbon Footprint* – Mitigating carbon footprint (greenhouse gas emissions) in a responsible manner, related to our energy use, transport and waste management.
- *Environmental Supply Chain* – Sustainable use of natural resources, such as water , fibre and other raw material.
- *Communication* – Meeting the expectations of our customers and stakeholders.

### **Substantial environmental aspects**

As a company we want to systematically reduce the impact of our identified environmental aspects which we as an organisation can control. Therefore, our substantial environmental aspects are guiding Papyrus' environmental work.

#### Carbon Footprint

At Papyrus, the following activities are identified as the most substantial in our operation which result in emission of greenhouse gases (e.g. fossil carbon dioxide);

- Heating of our facilities
- Consumption of electricity
- Cargo transports with own trucks and external forwarders
- Business trips
- The suppliers' environmental management systems
- Our range of products

By ongoing evaluation of the substantially environmental aspects, we will over time secure improvement on our environmental performance in areas we can control.

#### Environmental Supply Chain

Papyrus is encouraging manufacturers and suppliers, through agreements and other means, to improve and develop environmentally preferable products and to ensure that they recognise and reduce the environmental impact of the manufacturing of such products and their transportation.

- Require suppliers' compliance with regulatory requirements in the countries where they operate
- Require suppliers' compliance with established environmental management systems (e.g. EMAS and ISO 14001).
- Prioritise products manufactured with reduced energy consumption and carbon emission
- Encourage suppliers to develop and use environmentally friendly technologies
- Support the sale of paper products containing creditable certified fibre (e.g. FSC)
- Ascertain the non-usage of wood sources which are suspicious of illegal logging
- Promote the use of recycled products and products with recycling content

#### Communication

Papyrus recognise its responsibility to ensure clear communication to all stakeholders

- Responding appropriately to reasonable external requests for environmental information;
- Open to keeping an active dialogue
- Provide information, instruction and training for customers and stakeholders on relevant environmental issues.
- Strive to communicate in a clear manner
- Undertake initiatives to promote greater environmental responsibility

### **The policy in practice**

- The management of each Papyrus company incorporates the environmental work in the long-term planning in which they establish rules and routines for how the environmental work shall be carried out and how it should be organised.
- We inform, educate and involve the personnel in environmental work.
- We strive to economize on energy, water and other natural resources and the environmental aspects shall be taken into account whenever raw material, chemicals and distribution are chosen
- We strive for an increase of reuse and recycling of materials and equipment if this shows environmental gain out of a life cycle perspective
- We put priority on suppliers who are creditable environmentally certified and comply with our view on sustainability
- We demand that our suppliers ensure that raw material, products and services provided comply with environmental and social legislations
- We market as environmentally friendly products as possible in accordance with the demands of the industry
- We strive for all our shipments and transports to interact with environmentally proper solutions for our customers.
- We have an ongoing dialogue with our customers and stakeholders providing open and objective information about our offer in order to help them choose environmentally adapted logistics solutions and products. Together with our customers we develop sustainable solutions that include choice of products, delivery frequency, joint loading and consolidated distribution.
- We shall provide open and objective information about our environmental work to the general public and the authorities.
- We strive towards traceability of the wood content in our fibre based products, so we can ensure that the wood fibre originates from sustainable managed forests
- We strive to reduce the environmental impact of our deliveries
- We strive to recycle our own paper and packaging waste

### **Integrating the Principles for Environmental Responsibility into the organisation**

We recognise that it will take some time to make the Principles for Environmental Responsibility an integral part of all our operations. We are committed to evaluating our strengths and weaknesses on an ongoing basis with the goal of continuous improvement..

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