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# PRODUCT SAFETY STATEMENT

Product name(s)

See attached Excel-file

# **FOOD CONTACT**

#### **Declaration of Compliance**

We hereby state that this product is in compliance with the following European food contact laws and recommendations. The product has been tested by an independent laboratory for suitability for food contact and compliance with the regulations and recommendations, taking also into consideration the declarations of compliance provided by our raw materials suppliers and additional information obtained on a confidential basis. The trade name(s) mentioned above are suitable for food contact as described below.

EU:	
Regulation (EC) No. 1935/2004 on materials and articles intended to come into contact with food	Complies when applicable and under foreseeable conditions of use
Regulation (EC) No. 2023/2006 on good manufacturing practice for materials and articles intended to come into contact with food	Complies when applicable and under foreseeable conditions of use
Germany:	
Foodstuffs, Consumer Goods and Animal Feed Code (Foodstuffs, and Animal Feed Code – LFGB), §§ 30 and 31	Complies when applicable and under foreseeable conditions of use.
BfR (Bundesinstitut für Risikobewertung) XXXVI. Paper and board for food contact	Complies when applicable and under foreseeable conditions of use.

#### Typical applications

May come into direct contact with foodstuffs as well as with the human skin and mucous membranes for a short period of time for wiping.



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#### CIRCULAR ECONOMY

Tissue paper products are, in principal, suitable for different recycling processes including: material recycling (waste paper collection), thermal utilization (generating energy in incineration plants) or composting. According to standard EN 13432, paper pulp is accepted as being biodegradable without testing (point 4.3.2 of the standard). Typically more than 99% of the dry weight of tissue paper is paper pulp. Compostability must be tested from finished products, but results obtained with selected products showed fast (less than 4 weeks) disintegration according to EN 13432.

The choice of disposal route must take into account the nature of any impurity on the paper as well as the technical feasibility of the waste. For example:

- Used handkerchiefs containing viruses and bacteria should not be recycled but should be disposed of via domestic waste incineration.
- Paper towels, which have only been used for drying hands, can usually be recycled.
- Cleaning cloths with oils or fats must be disposed of as hazardous waste (energy recovery in an approved system).
- For tissue products in medical practices, hospitals and other similar organisations, waste disposal should take into account the nature of any possible medical contamination.

## REACH

We hereby warrant that the requirements of REACH Regulation (EC) No. 1907/2006 concerning the Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation and Restriction of Chemicals are fulfilled and only chemicals complying with the provisions laid down in the regulation are used in the manufacture of Metsä Tissue and Metsä Greaseproof Papers paper products. Metsä Tissue and Metsä Greaseproof Papers are downstream users of chemicals.

Metsä Tissue and Metsä Greaseproof Papers paper products comply with the relevant restrictions set forth in Annex XVII of REACH Regulation on restrictions on the manufacture, placing on the market and use of certain dangerous substances, mixtures and articles. Furthermore, substances subject to authorisation listed in Annex XIV are not used.

According to REACH Regulation chemical and article suppliers are required to inform downstream users regarding the presence of substances listed on the Candidate List of Substances of Very High Concern (SVHC) for Authorisation above the reporting limit. Based on information received from upstream suppliers Metsä Tissue and Metsä Greaseproof Papers paper products do not contain Substances of Very High Concern above the reporting limit of 0,1%.

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