


Regarding the European Packaging Directive (Directive 94/62/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 20 December 1994 on packaging and packaging waste) and the current German Packaging Act of 2017 (Act on the marketing, return and recycling of packaging (Packaging Act - VerpackG)), updated in 2021, we would like to inform you as follows:

- Our company is affected by the Packaging Act, we place packaging filled with goods/products on the market and to end consumers for the first time or merely make it available.
- We comply with our relevant obligations, which include:
  - Obligation to register according to § 9 VerpackG at the so-called Central Office for Packaging Registers (ZSVR);
  - Documentation obligation pursuant to § 15 (3) VerpackG and
  - Information obligation pursuant to § 15 (1) VerpackG; in this context, we refer to the return option or an optional special agreement with you as a customer.
- The purpose of the above-mentioned measures is to extend environmental and product responsibility, to strive for waste reduction and to realise the highest possible material cycles, which we are happy to comply with as part of our environmental policy.
- In many cases, our packaging is marked with the recycling or material logo (e.g. ) to facilitate later recycling.
- In addition, we assume environmental responsibility for packaging in the sense of the waste hierarchy the waste hierarchy "avoid before reduce before recycle", in that we
  - use reusable systems where possible (e.g. EU pallets, Gitterboxes, exchangeable wooden frames);
  - reduce the consumption of packaging to a minimum when in use;
  - when purchasing, pay attention to restrictions on harmful substances, use recycled material use recycled material (e.g. PPK) or pay attention to good recyclability.
- As part of our organisational processes, we have implemented internal procedures and controls so that this process can be implemented pragmatically and in compliance with the law, and adjusted as necessary.

If you require further environmental information, please do not hesitate to contact us.