

Vegware Declaration of Compliance

Declaration of Product and ISO Compliance

This declaration of compliance is issued by Vegware Ltd with company registration SC331521. This declaration covers all catering disposables and food packaging supplied by Vegware Ltd. Vegware Ltd warrants that appropriate due diligence has been undertaken to ensure compliance of all material suppliers and converters.

Most Vegware products can be identified by Vegware branding on the exterior of the products, either by way of print or emboss. Further identification can be verified by branded outer cartons.

Quality and Environmental Management

Vegware Ltd has developed and implemented both a Quality Management System (QMS), using ISO 9001:2015 as a framework, and Environmental Management System (EMS), using ISO 2014:2015 as a framework, allowing our organisation to document and improve our practices to better satisfy the needs and expectations of our customers, stakeholders and interested parties. The collective management systems are known as the Vegware Management System (VMS). This management system is accredited to ISO 9001:2015 and ISO 14001:2015, copy certificates can be provided upon request.

Regulation (EC) 1935/2004 on materials and articles in contact with food

We confirm that all finished products meet the relevant requirements laid down in Regulation (EC) No 1935/2004 and are intended for use in a foodservice environment.

This declaration covers all catering disposables and food packaging supplied by Vegware. The full range is listed on our website at www.vegware.com and is subject to change. The list of materials we may use for our products includes but is not limited to:

- PLA, poly lactic acid
- Crystallised PLA (CPLA)
- Bagasse
- Recycled paper / card
- Virgin paper / card
- NatureFlex films

Further details about our materials can be obtained on request. Declarations of Compliance for products subject to Regulation (EU) 10/2011 on plastics materials and articles intended to come into contact with food are also available upon request.

REACH Regulation (EC) 1907/2006

Vegware's obligations under REACH are as a downstream user of articles and substances.

Where REACH demands registration we have done or will do the registration. The entirety of our product catalogue is defined as articles without intended release, with the consequence that no registration is required.

We have included REACH demands in our purchasing agreements to secure information exchange in the supply chain. We do not directly procure chemicals but demand our upstream supply chain continuously follows the development of the Candidate List of Substances of Very High Concern, the substances for authorisation as well as any restrictions applicable to our use.

To our knowledge, and based on the information from our suppliers today, we can confirm that none of our articles contain:

- Substances included on the Candidate List of SVHCs (incl. Annex XIV, Authorisation) in a concentration above 0.1% (w/w).
- Substances included in Annex XVII, Restrictions, where the restriction is applicable on our use.

Regulation (EU) No 995/2010 on placing timber and timber products on the market

The objective of the EU Timber Regulation is to fight the pervasive problem of illegal logging and associated trade within the EU and internationally through regulating the behaviour on the internal market of "operators" (those who first place timber products on the EU market) and "traders" (those further down the supply chain who do not qualify as "operators"). Vegware acts as both a trader and operator under the regulation and can confirm that as a business, we are observing our obligations under Regulation (EU) No 995/2010. All timber products used in Vegware products or in the transportation of Vegware products are made from sustainably managed forestry, where possible this is certified FSC or PEFC.

Quality Systems in Supply Chain

All Vegware products are made in compliance with good manufacturing practice (GMP) and subject to regular inspection. All facilities have documented quality management systems, to minimum ISO 9001 accreditation. Production facilities, including quality control programmes, are audited to product requirement.

Traceability

Vegware products are traceable throughout the supply chain by way of a batch number, clearly marked on outer cartons. This system is currently being extended to all products.

Composting

Vegware is committed to supplying genuine compostable packaging and disposables and has an active programme to ensure our products are compliant with industrial composting standards. All Vegware products either meet or of the internationally recognised standard for industrial composting, EN 13432 or ASTM D 6400, or are widely accepted for organics recycling and have been subjected to successful trials in UK recycling facilities. Further information on specific products, including copy certificates, or information on available organics recycling locally will be provided upon request.

Storage and service

For PLA products, storage and service must be within -20°C to 40°C, and for all other products, unless otherwise stated, 0°C to 85°C. Further advice can be provided; however, all customers are advised to trial products first in the case of any uncertainty about suitable use.

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