



# Declaration of Compliance

## DS Smith Packaging

### Scope of application - Customer information

Site and full address:

Contact:

This declaration is valid for the following packaging material according to the final intended purpose of use as described and agreed with DS Smith:

#### Type of food contact the product is compliant with:

Indirect (Presence of primary packaging)

Direct Please specify nature of the foodstuff in contact:

To be Peeled/Shelled or washed before use      Dry      Moist      Fatty

#### Conditions for the intended final use:

Frozen conditions (product will be placed in the box already frozen and will remain in the same conditions at any time during its shelf life).

Standard conditions (i.e. room temperature 23°C and 50% humidity).

Hot condition (below 90°C);      Maximum temperature:      °C;      Duration:

Baking condition (above 90°C);      Maximum temperature:      °C;      Duration:  
If applicable, specify the cooking method e.g. in a traditional oven, in a microwave, etc.:

Additional information or other special conditions, please describe below:

#### Product Shelf life<sup>1</sup>:

<sup>1</sup> Product Shelf life is defined as the maximum foreseeable time the foodstuff is placed in the packaging for.

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Note 1: In the event of a change in the conditions for the final use of the packaging material, the packer/filler must inform DS Smith. Considering the new conditions, we will provide an updated assessment. DS Smith will not take responsibility for any use of the packaging falling outside the scope of application described in this document.

Note 2: For packaging suitable for direct moist and/or fatty food contact, if this has not already been considered, we recommend that an appropriate barrier is used for technical/aesthetic performance requirements. When not in direct contact with food, the packaging might be suitable for a wider range of application depending of the actual conditions.

Note 3: Unless specified, the packaging material(s) described in this document according to the scope of application does (do) not act as a functional barrier or provide any active or intelligent functionality.

### A. European Legal compliance – Food Contact

The product(s) fulfil(s) the relevant requirements of:

#### Regulation (EC) No 1935/2004 – Articles and Materials in contact with food

This Framework regulation concerns materials intended to come into contact directly or indirectly with food. It requires that (article 3) under normal or foreseeable conditions of use, materials and articles do not:

- Transfer their constituents to food in quantities which could endanger human health
- Bring about a deterioration in the composition of the food
- Bring about a deterioration in the organoleptic properties of the food

There is no specific measure relating directly to paper and board within this regulation and no EU-wide rules for demonstrating compliance with the framework regulation.

Therefore, to satisfy ourselves and our customers that we comply, we have implemented a vendor approval system that allow us to assess that all our raw materials used to manufacture this packaging are suitable for food contact material.

Through careful selection of our products, we also take into account a number of other parameters<sup>2</sup> that may be of concern, based on our customers' needs, our internal and our scientific partner knowledge of the food contact environment.

We also take into account and fulfil the requirements of the CEPI<sup>3</sup> *Food Contact Guidelines for the compliance of Paper & Board materials and articles*.

#### Regulation (EC) No 2023/2006 – Good Manufacturing Practice

The product(s) are manufactured in accordance with Commission Regulation (EC) No 2023/2006 on Good Manufacturing Practice.

<sup>2</sup> Unless specified differently, we always carry out our compliance work according to the Industry standard defining that 1 kg of food stuff is packed an average within 6 dm<sup>2</sup> of packaging.

<sup>3</sup> CEPI stands for: Confederation of European Paper Industries.

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### For multi-layer materials please specify any other regulations (if applicable)

The product(s) fulfil(s) the relevant additional requirements according to:

### B. National Legal compliance – (if applicable)

The product(s) fulfil(s) the relevant additional requirements according to:

### C. United States – Food Drug Administration – Title 21 Food & Drugs (if applicable)

The product(s) fulfil(s) the relevant requirements of the following chapters:

### D. Additional considerations

#### Essential requirements of European and Council Directive 94/62/EC 20<sup>th</sup> December 1994 on packaging and packaging waste and its amendments

The paper product(s) fulfil(s) the relevant requirements of the Essential requirements of European parliament and Council Directive 94/62/EC of 20<sup>th</sup> December 1994 on packaging and packaging waste and its amendments laid down in Article 9 and Annex II, and specifically that the (“Heavy Metals”) sum of the concentration levels of lead, cadmium, mercury and hexavalent chromium is below 100ppm (Parts Per Million). This is based on suppliers’ documentation.

#### REACH regulation (EC) No 1907/2006 on materials and articles and the latest amendments of the Waste Framework Directive (WFD) 2008/98/EC.

REACH is the European Community Regulation on chemicals and their safe use. It deals with the Registration, Evaluation, Authorization and Restriction of Chemical substances.

REACH and its amendments explicitly cover chemical substances. The preparation of a Material Safety Datasheet (MSDS) is not required for articles.

Due to Article 33, there is a “Duty to communicate information on substances in articles” in regards of content of Substances of Very High Concern (SVHC) (the Candidate list for authorisation), if the substance exceeds 0.1 % w/w (weight/weight) in the final article.

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ECHA – European Chemicals Agency regularly publishes an update SVHC list also referred as the Candidate List for Authorisation.

In addition, the Waste Framework Directive introduces the obligation to submit a “Substances of Concern In Products (SCIP) notification” covering all articles placed on the EU market that contain a substance of very high concern placed on the Candidate List and in a concentration above 0.1 % w/w.

The SCIP database complements the existing communication and notification obligations for substances on the Candidate List present in articles above the 0.1% w/w threshold.

### REACH compliance

Based on our suppliers’ documentation, our paper and board do not contain Substances of Very High Concern above 0.1% w/w **according to the latest update of the candidate list published at the date this document was issued<sup>4</sup>**.

Furthermore, according to the statement above, the SCIP notifications are not applicable.

### Other consideration and standard compliance (if applicable)

The product(s) fulfil(s) the relevant additional requirements according to:

## E. General Information on product

### Constituents

The main constituent of corrugated fibreboard is paper that forms the facings and the corrugated centre of the board. In case of recycling material is used, the packaging may contain a variable amount of post-consumer recycled fibres.

In converting paperboard into corrugated packaging, there are three basic components added to the paperboard:

- Corrugator adhesive - predominantly starch and water. The starch is usually from maize (corn) or wheat.
- Inks - suitable for food contact packaging, no heavy metals are intentionally used in modern inks. Our inks are not based on mineral oils.
- Adhesive – suitable for food contact packaging, no heavy metals or phthalates are intentionally used in modern adhesives.

If there are further components used in the corrugated products such as but not limited to plastic films and fittings, coatings, metal stitches and tear tapes, please specify below:

<sup>4</sup> Issue date on the last page, after the signature field.

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### Usable life of the packaging

To maintain the usable life of the packaging material prior to use by packer/filler, it is recommended that product should be stored under cover and stored on pallets.

It is recommended to allow the packaging material to reach operating temperature before use. In cases of extreme conditions, it may be necessary to condition the packaging material for 24 hours prior to use. Any part used pallets of packaging material should be re-banded after use.

### DS Smith manufacturing site information

Site and full address:

Name:

Position:

Contact:

Signature:

**Issue date:**

Registry Number (Optional):

This declaration is valid 1 year from the issue date above<sup>5</sup>

<sup>5</sup> Unless legislation, manufacturing process, final intended application or any other requirements that affect the compliance of the product(s) supplied have significantly changed.

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