



ENGELKARTON

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

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DECLARATION FOR FOOD CONTACT

Trade name	APEX KRAFT (hereafter referred to as the paperboard)
Product description	Paperboard
Board grammage	Ranges between 175 g/m ² to 380 g/m ² For information see technical specification.
Fiber source	Virgin fiber
Bleaching	All used pulps are elemental chlorine free (ECF-pulps)

COMPLIANCE WITH EUROPEAN FOOD CONTACT LEGISLATION

For the purpose to achieve high chemical and microbiological purity only virgin fibers and food contact approved chemical additives are used as raw material in the production of paperboard. The pulp and paper manufacturing process conforms to established technology involving the use of generally recognized chemicals.

The supplier's mill hereby declares that this paperboard before conversion complies where applicable and under foreseeable conditions of use with the requirements of Regulation (EC) No 1935/2004 on materials and articles intended to come into contact with food as well as BfR Recommendation XXXVI on paper and board for food contact (2017) This paperboard is produced in accordance with Commission Regulation (EC) No 2023/2006 on good manufacturing practice for materials and articles intended to come into contact with food. This paperboard is intended as a baseboard for packaging dry, aqueous, acidic, low alcoholic and fatty foodstuffs.

This paperboard is intended for use under the following conditions of temperature and time.

- Freezer/fridge
- Room temperature (up to 40°C for more than 24 hrs)
- Hot-fill*

This paperboard is not intended for use under the following conditions and temperatures.

- De-freezing and/or re-heating of food (e.g. ready meals) in microwave oven**
- Conventional oven**

* "hot-fill" means the filling of any article with a food with a temperature not exceeding 100 °C at the moment of filling, after which the food cools down to 50 °C or below within 60 minutes, or to 30 °C or below within 150 minutes.

** It is the responsibility of the packer of the finished packages to ensure that the package is safe to use in the intended conditions (W/min) taking onto account all relevant information e.g. the shape and size of the package and the amount and type of packaged food.

Please also see storage conditions.

NOTE!

For questions regarding if a specific end-use (food type and/or conditions) is covered by this declaration please contact your local sales office for more information. Please note that safe and appropriate use in this context means product safety. There might be technical limitations that the converter needs to take into account and test separately before use.

When converting this paperboard each part of the converting chain is responsible for the suitability for the intended end-use.

Information given in this certificate is based on written confirmation from the supplier's mill chemical suppliers as well as analysis performed on representative paperboard samples.



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INDUSTRY GUIDELINE

The Industry Guideline for the Compliance of Paper and Board Materials and Articles for food contact provides harmonised approach for self-regulation of paper and board. The supplier's mill as a company supports and operates according to the Industry Guideline. More information on the guideline can be found on the following web site; <http://www.cepi.org/mediacentre/publications>

COMPLIANCE WITH US FOOD CONTACT LEGISLATION

Based on the information regarding the formulation, limitations on the used chemical additives as well as the results of the applicable extraction tests the supplier's mill confirms that this paperboard complies with 21 C.F.R. §§176.170 ("Components of paper and paperboard in contact with aqueous and fatty foods") and 176.180 ("Components of paper and paperboard in contact with dry food") and may be used as intended in contact with the food types I, II, III, IV-A, IV-B, V, VI-B, VII-A, VII-B, VIII and IX and under conditions of use E-G as described in tables 1 and 2 of 21 C.F.R. §176.170

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ANALYSES

Compliance with BfR Recommendation XXXVI

The paperboard complies with the requirements in BfR Recommendation XXXVI as follows. Analyses have been performed on representative samples of paperboard.

Heavy metals:

Cadmium (Cd) < 5 µg/l in the cold water extract of the paperboard

Lead (Pb) < 10 µg/l in the cold water extract of the paperboard

Chloropropanols

1,3-DCP < 0,05 mg/kg in the cold water extract of the paperboard

3-MCPD < 0,3 mg/kg in the cold water extract of the paperboard

Formaldehyde: Analysis has been performed according to EN 1541. The amount of formaldehyde is < 1 mg/dm².

Optical brightening agents:

Optical brightening agents, OBAs, are not used as raw material or intentionally added in the production of paperboard.

Colour fastness:

Analysis has been performed according to EN 646. There was no visible transfer (grade 5) for any of the test fluids.

Hemmhof test:

Analysis has been performed according to EN 1104. There is no transfer of antimicrobial constituents.

We do not add surface biocides on top of the paperboard.

Chromium:

Chromium (Cr) < 2.0 mg/kg

Chromium-VI not detectable

Dioxin in paperboard:

The content of 17 2,3,7,8-substituted toxic congeners of polychlorinated dibenzo-p-dioxins (PCDDs) and polychlorinated dibenzofurans (PCDFs) analysed in representative samples of paperboard is less than 1 ppt WHO-TEQ.

PCB:

Analyses have been performed on representative paperboard samples for polychlorinated biphenyls (PCB) according to EN ISO 15318. The amount of PCB is below < 2.0 mg/kg.

PCP:

Analysis has been performed on representative paperboard sample for pentachlorophenol (PCP) according to EN ISO 15320. The amount of PCP is < 0.15 mg/kg.



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SUBSTANCES

Intentionally added shall mean deliberately utilized in the formulation of a material or component where its continued presence is desired in the final product to provide a specific characteristics, appearance or quality. Please note that we do not analyze the paperboard for the substances listed below. Information below is based on information given by the supplier's mill chemical suppliers.

GMO

The supplier's mill hereby confirm that Genetically Modified Organisms (GMO) as defined by European Union* are not intentionally added in the production paperboard. Their suppliers can however not exclude adventitious and technically unavoidable contamination**.

* http://ec.europa.eu/food/food/biotechnology/index_en.htm

** Regulation 1830/2003 on traceability and labeling of GMO; "The adventitious or technically unavoidable presence of GM-crops in conventional crops may occur as a result of seed production, cultivation, harvest, transport and processing. As long as the level of such contamination remains below the current 0.9 % legislative limit, food ingredients can be considered as not being produced from GM raw materials."

Animal origin

The supplier's mill hereby confirms that no additive of animal origin is intentionally added in the production of paperboard.

BSE

The supplier's mill hereby confirms that no substances causing Transmissible Spongiform Encephalopathies, TSEs including Bovine spongiform encephalopathy, BSE and Creutzfeldt Jakob Disease, CJD is intentionally added in the production of paperboard.

Food allergens

The supplier's mill hereby confirms that, with reference to the US FDA Food Allergen Labelling and Consumer Protection Act (FALCPA) and the Regulation (EU) No 1169/2011 Annex II, the following food allergens or products derived thereof are not intentionally added for the manufacture of paperboard:

- Cereals containing gluten and products thereof*
- Crustaceans and products thereof
- Eggs and products thereof
- Fish and products thereof*
- Peanuts and products thereof
- Soybeans and products thereof*
- Milk and products thereof*
- Nuts and products thereof*
- Celery and products thereof
- Mustard and products thereof
- Sesame seeds and products thereof
- Sulphur dioxide and sulphites at concentrations that may cause transfer from food packaging into food exceeding 10 mg/kg expressed as SO₂.
- Lupin and products thereof
- Molluscs and products thereof

*Please notice the exceptions in Commission Directive 2007/68/EC, Annex IIIa

Phthalates

The supplier's mill hereby confirms that no phthalates are intentionally added in the production of paperboard.

Bisphenol A

The supplier's mill hereby confirms that no bisphenol A is intentionally added in the production of paperboard.



ADDITIONAL LEGISLATION AND REGULATIONS, NOT FOOD RELATED

Packaging and Packaging Waste Directive

The paperboard complies with the Packaging and Packaging Waste directive 94/62/EC as amended.

- The sum of lead, cadmium, mercury and hexavalent chromium in the paperboard is less than 100 ppm (EN 13428).
- The level of substances hazardous* to the environment in the paperboard is less than 0,1% (EN 13428).

* Requirements for classification of substances or preparations dangerous to the environment and assigned the hazard statements H400, H410 and H411 according to the Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008 on classification, labelling and packaging of substances and mixtures (CLP).

The paperboard is suitable for recovery by ;

- Material recycling (EN 13430)
- Energy recovery (EN 13431)

Note: A material being recoverable by a certain method does not guarantee that the finished packaging can be recovered using this method.

REACH Regulation (EC) 1907/2006

The supplier's mill obligations under REACH are as a manufacturer of articles and substances and as a downstream user.

Where REACH demands registration they have done or will do the registration. The supplier's mill paper and board grades are defined as articles without intended release with the consequence that no registration is required. Cellulose pulp is defined as a substance and exempted from registration according to annex IV. They have included REACH demands in their purchasing agreements to secure information exchange in the supply chain. The supplier's mill chemical suppliers shall continuously follow the development of the Candidate List of Substances of Very High Concern, the substances for authorization as well as any restrictions applicable to the supplier's mill use.

To the supplier's mill knowledge and based on the information from their suppliers they today can confirm that none of their articles contains:

- 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 the supplier's mill use.



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STORAGE AND HANDLING REQUIREMENTS

In order to secure and ensure product safety and quality the product must be well wrapped and stored indoor under normal conditions and good protection, sheltered from rain and snow. The supplier's mill recommends converting of the paperboard within 12 months from manufacturing date and after this time rights of claims normally disappear.

For uncertainties regarding the shelf life of the board please contact your local sales office.

DISCLAIMER

It is the responsibility of the manufacturer of the finished packages to ensure that products fabricated from material manufactured by the supplier's mill meets all relevant regulatory and legislative requirements, specifications and limitations in the intended application. This certificate and its contents are subject to the following additional limitations and disclaimers:

- Based on reasonable investigations, the information set out herein is accurate to the supplier's mill current knowledge only. They take no responsibility for information that has been provided to them by their suppliers and on which they have relied when producing the information contained herein.
- This certificate is only valid as of its date of publication and, for the avoidance of doubt, we assume no liability for subsequent changes in information, contents, processes, regulatory requirements or otherwise.
- This certificate is only valid to the extent it has been signed and delivered by an authorized employee of the supplier mill.
- Nothing in this certificate shall be interpreted as a warranty (direct or implied) with respect to (a) anything beyond what is expressly set out herein, (b) the merchantability or fitness for a particular purpose, (c) the use, or the suitability for use, in connection with other products or materials, or (d) the safety or legality in any use, processing and handling of the supplier's mill products.
- This certificate forms an integral part of the delivery contract between them and the addressee and any limitations of liability set out in such delivery contract shall apply to this certificate.
- No one other than the addressee may rely on this certificate and we assume no liability whatsoever to any third party

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