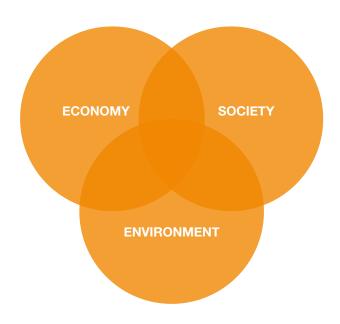
Sustainability Statement

As a pioneer and market leader in thermoplastic edgebands for over 60 years, Döllken has been putting into practice an open corporate value culture. Alongside employee satisfaction and the power of innovation, environmental and climate protection, social responsibility, and the conservation of resources and energy are integral to our business activities.



Do you have questions about sustainability?

We're happy to assist our customers in achieving their individual sustainability targets. Please feel free to contact us:

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Sustainability with Döllken

60 years of innovation and responsibility



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GREENGUARD-GOLD clean air certification for all Döllken edgebands



The GREENGUARD certification is an internationally recognised standard for low-emission products to indicate indoor air quality. All Döllken edgebands are certified to the highest standard,

"GREENGUARD-GOLD". That means all Döllken edgebands are certified to be used in kindergarten, schools and health care buildings.

Conservation of resources through "closed loop" recycling



Döllken pursues a "zero waste" production goal. Thus, our highest priority is the conservation of resources. All waste produced in the manufacture

of plastic edgebands (plastics and printing inks) is collected and sorted by material, processed as much as possible and mechanically recycled in-house. The targeted use of secondary raw materials closes the materials cycle, saves resources and minimises the production of waste.

Life cycle assessment (LCA) ISO 14040

Döllken generates a wide range of life cycle assessments for its products and thus obtains reliable data on all the effects on the local, regional and global environment. In this way Döllken edgebands are constantly optimised, new materials evaluated, emissions reduced and resources conserved.



Solvent-free, water-based printing inks and primer systems

In the manufacture of its edgebands Döllken predominantly uses water-based printing inks and primer systems. As one of the leading manufacturers on the international scene, Döllken has since 2004 to a great extent stopped using compounds containing chlorine or halogen in all its printing and primer systems.

Packaging made from FSC-certified recycled cardboard

For its cardboard packaging Döllken uses FSC-certified recycled cardboard. Since 2015 our programme of constantly improving packaging systems has reduced the use of plastic film by more than 30 %.

Energy conservation and management

In 2015 Döllken introduced an energy management system which encompassed all types of energy consumption within the company. Collected data shows that Döllken systematically and constantly increased its energy efficiency, and in the first year (2016) we already achieved a 3 % increase. In the last few years most of the lighting has been converted to energy-saving LED technology. Our target is to replace all conventional lighting systems by 2020. By implementing an innovative, compressed air concept with cutting-edge heat-recovery technology, Döllken will reduce its energy consumption. Furthermore a new cooling water treatment for the cooling water loop saves a considerable amount of fresh water. In addition the creation of the FUSION-EDGE edgeband means an energy saving of up to 30 % in comparison with conventional hot-melt application processes.

TÜV-Rhineland-tested quality compliance

Independent testing by TÜV-Rhineland confirms it: Döllken edgebands comply with the highest product safety and quality standards. In Döllken products the level of substances dangerous to health, such as the PAHs (polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons) often detected in cheap products, are below the detection limit.

Conformity with REACH for all edgeband raw materials

All materials used by Döllken to manufacture edgebands comply with the European Union REACH Directive and are therefore free of hazardous substances such as heavy metals, dangerous plasticisers and other SVHC (substances of very high concern).

Our social commitment

Our responsibility does not end with our products; it is also reflected in our social commitment. Our activities in the field of social responsibility include a variety of sports groups, fitness studio memberships and yoga courses, one day each week when only fruit snacks are eaten, ergonomics co-management in the workplace and event days based on health topics. With an above-average training quota of up to 17 % Döllken is an exemplary training company and a reliable regional employer, as training and the creation of new workplaces are a significant contribution to regional development.