

## **Environmental Statement**

BIOLINK GmbH was established with a single, fundamental environmental principle. This was and remains, to produce and coat adhesives in an ecologically and environmentally sound fashion and thereby be a leading, 'green' manufacturer.

Our principle is now far more relevant and important than we could have imagined 10 years ago, when we first began to produce solvent free, adhesive tapes.

We believe that business has a responsibility for achieving good environmental practice and operating procedures, in a sustainable manner. We consider that this policy makes sound commercial sense and fulfils our obligation to deliver our collective duty of care to future generations.

We remain committed to providing a quality service and product, in a manner that ensures a safe and healthy workplace for our employees and minimises our potential impact on the local and Global environment.

We will operate in full compliance with all relevant environmental legislation and will continually strive to use pollution prevention and environmental best practices, in everything we do.

## We will not;

- Use solvents of any kind in our manufacture or coating of adhesives.
- Consume high levels of energy in our production processes.
- Use drinking quality water in any of our processes.
- Emit any gaseous by products into the atmosphere.
- Create high levels of noise pollution, that would effect the local residents.
- Create any high levels of odour, that could effect our local community.
- Use any raw materials that may be harmful to our employees or customers.

## We will;

- Integrate the consideration of environmental concerns and potential impacts into all our activities and decision making.
- Promote environmental awareness among our employees and encourage them to work in an environmentally responsible manner.
- Train and educate our staff about environmental issues that may affect their work.
- Reduce our waste output, by re-use and recycling and by purchasing recycled, recyclable and re-furbished products and materials, where these alternatives are available, suitable and economical.
- Promote efficient use of materials and resources through out our facility, to include water, electricity and raw materials, particularly when these are not renewable resources.
- Avoid the use of hazardous materials and products.

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- Purchase and utilise environmentally responsible products, supplied wherever possible, from like minded companies, with clear environmental policies.
- Communicate our environmental policy, clearly to our employees, customers and suppliers and encourage them to
- Endeavour always to be good neighbour.
- Constantly strive to improve our environmental performance and minimise the social and ecological impact and damage of our activities, via regular review and appraisal of our environmental policy, in light of our current and planned, future activities.

Signed for and on behalf of Biolink GmbH

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