

Code of Conduct Hamburg, January 2024

Guideline for Sustainable Procurement

At HOBUM Oleochemicals GmbH, we are committed to the basic principles of sustainability, safety, and integrity. Compliance with these principles is our top priority and we expect the same from our business partners. The following "Guideline for Sustainable Procurement" describes our convictions and reflects what HOBUM stands for.

Principles

All suppliers of chemical raw materials must be certified in accordance with DIN EN ISO 9001 ff. Certification in accordance with DIN EN ISO 14001 is desirable and is viewed favourably when selecting suppliers.

Our suppliers undertake to comply with our standards, our "Code of Conduct" and the corresponding guidelines, which must be countersigned.

Where possible, we source our raw materials from Europe and aim to continuously increase our regional sourcing. Bulk quantities are procured in full tankers or combined deliveries.

We aim to approve at least two suppliers for each raw material to maintain our security of supply at all times. In addition, we endeavour to maintain a constant and sufficient stock level so that we do not have to reorder small quantities at short notice in an uneconomical manner.

When selecting our packaging, we focus on reusable or recycled containers. In accordance with our quality assurance, raw material purchasing should be coordinated so that delivered packaging can be reused without extensive cleaning activities.

Hazardous substances are substituted in accordance with TRGS 600. The purchase of hazardous substances is reduced to a technically necessary minimum.

When purchasing energy (electricity, steam) and concerning wastewater, we work together with our neighbours in the industrial environment to develop environmentally friendly overall solutions.

