



ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY STATEMENT BEKINA NV 2024

Within Bekina NV and its affiliates (Bekina Boots, Bekina Indurub, Bekina Compounds and Bekina BeSealed in Berchem-Kluisbergen), an integrated environmental care system has been developed and implemented to involve its employees in the environmental policy. An important objective is to align this environmental care system as much as possible with the quality care system and, where possible, to integrate it.

Bekina NV and its affiliates want to limit the environmental impact of its industrial activities as much as possible.

Environmental care is central to the policy of Bekina NV and its affiliates and therefore we want to:

- Strive for harmony with our environment, we believe in the multifunctionality of our production site and its gardens: a pleasant workplace, an enrichment for biodiversity, rather than just a green buffer towards our surrounding neighbours. We want our buildings and surrounding green areas to become a safe haven for fauna & flora, a green corridor between river Schelde and nature reserve "Paddenbroek", a stepping stone in the landscape, a wildlife area and last but not least an added value for the village of Berchem.
- Commit ourselves to operate in all areas within the standards of the environmental legislation and other legal requirements (including REACH and CLP and others) and to be a pioneer in their evolution.
- Develop environmental awareness at all levels of the company and optimise production methods such as, for example, control over the packaging of raw materials, energy use (water, gas and electricity) and the consumption of chemical products.
- Establish a policy of transparency and trust towards local and national authorities and the immediate surroundings.



- Permanently improving communication within the entire company hierarchy and optimising external communication (suppliers, subcontractors, authorities, neighbours).
- Using environmentally friendly products and means of production.
- Anticipate the evolution of environmental regulations.
- Plan more effective preventive environmental care programmes based on the principle of continuous improvement.
- Manage the waste problem efficiently in order to limit the production of waste in the company as much as possible.
- Striving for rational energy consumption by monitoring important consumption items.
- Reduce emissions through better control.
- Use environmental performance indicators to pursue a balance between the consumption of raw materials, energy and production quantities.
- Identify environment-related emergency situations, take a preventive approach and act in emergency situations as stipulated in the internal emergency plan.

All this within the limitations imposed on us by the specific quality requirements of the market.

The management of Bekina NV and its affiliates will take the necessary steps to make the needed resources available in order to achieve the above objectives.

SDE Director,

Kluisbergen, September 2 2024

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