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Wood packaging environmental facts

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References





- **ISO 14040:2006** Environmental management. Life cycle assessment. Principles and frameworks.;
- **ISO 14044:2006** Environmental management. Life cycle assessment. Requirements and guidelines;



- EN ISO 14025:2010: Environmental labels and declarations Type III environmental declarations - Principles and procedures (ISO 14025:2006).
- General Programme Instructions (GPI) of the International EPD[®] System



- **EPD-NORGE**: NPCR 023 2019 Packaging products and services
- **EPD-INTERNATIONAL**: PCR 2019:13 Packaging product category classification: multiple CPC
- Product Category Rule (PCR) Guidance for Wooden Pallets, EPD Requirements, UL 10003



NPCR 023 Packaging products and services



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any packaging product and services.



Valid for any type of packaging carrying or containing packaged or unpackaged goods with or without cooling/freezing, heating, modified atmosphere (MAP) or any other ancillary properties.



- guidance for default scenarios
- guidance on functional units.



NPCR 023 Reference standards



EN 15804:2012+A2:2019/AC:2021 Sustainability of construction works – Environmental Product Declaration – Core rules for the product category of construction products

NPCR 023 PACKAGING PRODUCTS AND SERVICES



NPCR PART A: Construction products and services – epd-norge

> NPCR 015 Part B for wood and wood based products for use in construction epd-norge





EN 15804:2012+A2:2019/AC:2021



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NPCR 023 - Cradle to gate approach







Functional/Declared unit



Cradle to grave Functional unit (FU)

For single or multiple use packaging

- One delivery of one unit of packaging for a defined good or group of goods.
- If declared per 1000 kg or 1000 litres a conversion factor showing the required number of packaging units for the delivery.
- Results should be displayed both per functional unit and per life cycle module A1-A3, A4, B1-B2, C1-C4 and D



Cradle to gate Declared unit

One produced unit of packaging ready to leave the factory gate.





Informations about the product



Technical properties :e.g. net inner volume (m³), total external volume (m³), maximum load strength (kg/m²), stacking strength (kg/unit)



Product application/use: e.g.

single or multiple use, container use purpose, packaging design scenario (primary, secondary,...)

> Level of recyclability: e.g., number of recycling processes before downgrading or recycleing

Description of substances on the **REACH list**





Cut-off must be declared......

- Production of machinery used in the production of packaging
- Production of machinery used in the production of raw materials
- Production, construction and demolition of facilities, werehouses, and other infrastructure.
- Impacts and resource consumption associated with employees, temporal employees or other additional visiting personnel's food consumption and travel to and from the associated workplaces covered by the system boundary







A list of hazardous and toxic materials and substances shall be included in the inventory. The general cut-off rules do not apply to such substances.

However, substances included in amounts below the limits for chemical product's health and environment hazard classification do not have to be declared.

Exceptions apply for substances on the REACH candidate list and Norwegian priority list, whereby a cut-off of 0.1 weight% applies.







Table 3 — Core environmental impact indicators

Impact category	Indicator	Unit (expressed per functional unit or per declared unit)	
Climate change – total ^a	Global Warming Potential total (GWP-total)	kg CO ₂ eq.	
Climate change - fossil	Global Warming Potential fossil fuels (GWP-fossil)	kg CO ₂ eq.	
Climate change - biogenic	Global Warming Potential biogenic (GWP-biogenic)	kg CO ₂ eq.	
Climate change - land use and land use change ^b	Global Warming Potential land use and land use change (GWP-luluc)	kg CO ₂ eq.	
Ozone Depletion	Depletion potential of the stratospheric ozone layer (ODP)	kg CFC 11 eq.	
Acidification	Acidification potential, Accumulated Exceedance (AP)	mol H+ eq.	
Eutrophication aquatic freshwater	Eutrophication potential, fraction of nutrients reaching freshwater end compartment (EP-freshwater)	AC) kg P eq. (AC	
Eutrophication aquatic marine	Eutrophication potential, fraction of nutrients reaching marine end compartment (EP-marine)	kg N eq.	
Eutrophication terrestrial	Eutrophication potential, Accumulated Exceedance	mol N eq.	

Impact category	Indicator	Unit (expressed per functional unit or per declared unit)
	(EP-terrestrial)	
Photochemical ozone formation	Formation potential of tropospheric ozone (POCP);	kg NMVOC eq.
Depletion of abiotic resources - minerals and metals ^c d	Abiotic depletion potential for non- fossil resources (ADP- minerals&metals)	kg Sb eq.
Depletion of abiotic resources - fossil fuels ^c	Abiotic depletion for fossil resources potential (ADP-fossil)	MJ, net calorific value
Water use	Water (user) deprivation potential, deprivation-weighted water consumption (WDP)	${ m m}^3$ world eq. deprived



Wood as a biogenic material



6 CO2 + 6 H2O + Energy → C6H12O6 + 6 O2











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According to UNI EN 16485:2014 – Round and sawn timber. Environmental Product Declarations. Product category rules for wood and wood-based products for use in construction Case where the carbon neutrality can NOT be assumed – Non certified forests Characterization factor for import impact assessment: 0 kg CO₂-eq/Kg CO₂ Characterization factor for export impact assessment: 1 kg CO₂-eq/Kg CO₂

Biogenic Carbon	Contribution to GWP		
Import			
241 kg of dry wood	0 kg CO ₂ -eq		
Export			
153 kg product	281 kg CO ₂ -eq		
88 kg chips	161 kg CO ₂ -eq		
Balance			
0 kg	442 kg CO ₂ -eq		

277 kg of wood at ω = 15%







According to UNI EN 16485:2014 – Round and sawn timber. Environmental Product Declarations. Product category rules for wood and wood-based products for use in construction Case where the carbon neutrality can be assumed – Certified forests Characterization factor for import impact assessment: -1 kg CO₂-eq/Kg CO₂

Characterization factor for export impact assessment: 1 kg CO_2 -eq/Kg CO₂

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Import			
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The packaging – declared unit consists of 3 parts:



Fir 4-way pallet base



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Modelling example in GaBi Sphera







LCIA - Environmental Footprint 3.1. - Production



Impact	Impact categories		Total
Global warming potential (GWP)	Fossil	Kg CO ₂ eq.	1.45E+01
	Biogenic	Kg CO ₂ eq.	3,57E-02
	Land use and land trasformation	Kg CO ₂ eq.	1,39E-02
	TOTAL	Kg CO ₂ eq.	1,46E+01
Ozone depletion		Kg CFC-11eq.	7,03E-07
Acid	Acidification		1,05E-01
Eutrophication	Freshwater	Kg P eq.	1,67E-03
	Marine	Kg N eq.	1,98E-02
	Terrestial	Mol N eq.	2,51E-01
Photochemical ozone formation		Kg NMVOC	6,42E-02
Resource use	Fossil resources	MJ	1,67E+02
	Metals and minerals	Kg Sb eq.	2,88E-05
Water use		m ³ worl eq. deprived	7,07E+00

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	Impact categories		Unit	Cover	Side panel	Pallet base
	Global warming potential (GWP)	Fossil	Kg CO ₂ eq.	4,14E+00	5,10E+00	5,31E+00
		Biogenic	Kg CO ₂ eq.	9,69E-03	1,68E-02	9,27E-03
		Land use and land trasformation	Kg CO ₂ eq.	9,99E-04	8,63E-04	1,20E-02
		TOTAL	Kg CO ₂ eq.	4,16E+00	5,12E+00	5,33E+00
	Ozone	depletion	Kg CFC-11eq.	1,71E-07	3,44E-07	1,88E-07
	Acid	ification	Mol H⁺ eq.	2,44E-02	3,95E-02	4,08E-02
		Freshwater	Kg P eq.	4,06E-04	8,12E-04	4,48E-04
	Eutrophication	Marine	Kg N eq.	3,90E-03	6,01E-03	9,94E-03
		Terrestial	Mol N eq.	5,07E-02	8,19E-02	1,18E-01
	Photochemical ozone formation		Kg NMVOC	1,32E-02	2,05E-02	3,05E-02
	Resource use	Fossil resources	MJ	4,66E+01	6,44E+01	5,64E+01
ETW.		Metals and minerals	Kg Sb eq.	5,71E-06	1,13E-05	1,18E-05
	Water use		m ³ worl eq. deprived	1,64E+00	3,20E+00	2,24E+00
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Focus - Global warming potential (GWP) results







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- EN standards:
- 1. UNI EN 15804:2021-Sostenibilità delle costruzioni Dichiarazioni ambientali di prodotto Regole quadro di sviluppo per categoria di prodotto;
- 2. UNI EN 16485:2014-Legno tondo e segati Dichiarazioni Ambientali di Prodotto Regole per categoria di prodotto per il legno e i prodotti
 - a base di legno per l'impiego nelle costruzioni;
- 3. UNI EN 16449:2014 Wood and wood-based products Calculation of the biogenic carbon content of wood and conversion to carbon dioxide.
- Product Categoy rules:
- 1. Product category rules-NPCR 023-PACKAGING PRODUCTS AND SERVICES;
- 2. Product category rules -PART A: Construction products and services;
- 3. Product category rules-NPCR 015-Part B for wood and wood-based products;
- Norme ISO Standard:
- 1. ISO 14025:2010 Environmental labels and declarations Type III environmental declarations. Principles and procedures;
- 2. ISO 14040:2006 Environmental management. Life cycle assessment. Principles and frameworks.;
- 3. ISO 14044:2006 Environmental management. Life cycle assessment. Requirements and guidelines;

Environmental Product Declarations:

- 1. EPD wooden packaging from Kronus SIA- in accordance with ISO 14025:2006;
- 2. General Program Instructions -Version 1.1 6 June 2022 -EPD Hub Limited;



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