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Information on the German Packaging Act (VerpackG) and the EU Packaging and Packaging Waste Regulation (PPWR)

Dear Sir or Madam,

Beckhoff Automation is aware of the environmental impact of packaging waste. Therefore, we at Beckhoff Automation strive to continuously improve the sustainability of our product and transport packaging, considering the applicable regulatory requirements.

Beckhoff Automation dispenses with plastics in favor of sustainable packaging materials where economically and technically feasible. As Beckhoff Automation products are high-quality electronic components, product and transport packaging made of plastic to protect the goods cannot always be avoided.

As far as possible, Beckhoff Automation uses cardboard folding boxes for product packaging, which can be recycled. HDPE film bags, which are recyclable, are used for the packaging of smaller components.

Beckhoff Automation uses transport packaging made of high-quality, uncoated corrugated cardboard, which can be recycled as waste paper.

Wooden pallets (Euro pallets) in particular are used to transport products within the EU. Beckhoff Automation participates in an exchange pool for pallets. Plastic pallets made of recycled PE-PP (polyethylene - polypropylene) are also used, particularly for shipping outside the EU. Air cushions made of HDPE film are used to protect the products during shipping. The materials used are recyclable.

Packaging used for packing and shipping Beckhoff Automation products in Germany is subject to the requirements of the German Packaging Act (VerpackG). Beckhoff Automation GmbH & Co. KG has complied with the registration obligations of the VerpackG. As the distributor of the packaging, Beckhoff Automation GmbH & Co. KG is registered with the central packaging register under the number DE2922266695003.

The (transport) packaging used by Beckhoff Automation is not considered to be "subject to system participation", as Beckhoff Automation operates exclusively in the corporate customer business and products are not supplied to private end consumers.



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Beckhoff Automation GmbH & Co. KG complies with the requirements of the German Packaging Act and takes back transport packaging free of charge at the place of actual delivery and recycles it properly. The transportation costs for packaging to the place of return shall be borne by the sender.

The German Packaging Act will be replaced in the future by Regulation (EU) 2025/40 on packaging and packaging waste (EU Packaging and Packaging Waste Regulation, PPWR), which will apply directly in all EU member states once the existing transitional periods have expired. With the PPWR, the EU is pursuing the goal of minimizing the amount of packaging and waste generated, reducing the use of primary raw materials and promoting the transition to a circular economy. Beckhoff Automation is aware of the new requirements of the PPWR and is taking the necessary steps to implement the requirements on time.

Best regards, Anne Schaper

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