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# **ENVIRONMENTAL AND PRODUCT INFORMATION SHEET**

#### **Product**

Paper straws

#### Material

Paper, glue, printing inks

#### **Packaging**

Inner: Polyethylene (PE)
Outer: Corrugated board box

## **Field Of Application**

The straws are safe to use with all kinds of beverages up to 90 °C from a food contact perspective. However, it is not recommended to use them with hot drinks because of deteriorating performance and stability as well as due to the risk of burn injuries.

#### Limitations of the material:

- Paper is fibrous material and the as the surface of the straws are untreated, they are not suitable for long-term use.
- The straws are not suitable to be used in a microwave oven.

Different kinds of food can have an impact on the physical behaviour of the straw. Duni's recommendation is for the customer to test their application for their needs.

## EC Directive 94/62/EC on Packaging and Packaging Waste

The packaging complies with all essential requirements as defined by 94/62/EC. For example, minimum adequate amount of packaging, limitation of heavy metal content, recyclable through at least one of the following: reuse, material recovery, energy recovery or composting.

### **Environmental Aspects**

# **Product**

Paper is made from FSC-certified wood, which is a renewable resource. The pulp is unbleached.

In the manufacturing of the straws PFAS (per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances) is **not** being used in any step.

### **Packaging**

PE foil is made by refining of mineral oil or natural gas. The polymer consists simply of carbon and hydrogen. The corrugated board box is to a large extent made of recycled fibres.



## **Product Safety**

The product fulfils the following:

- EU Regulation 1935/2004/EC, Material and products intended for contact with foodstuff.
- EU Regulation 2023/2006/EC, Good Manufacturing Practice.
- The paperboard fulfils the German recommendation BfR XXXVI.
- EU Timber Regulation995/2010 (EUTR)
- Duni manufacturing units are certified according to the international quality system ISO 9001. They have also implemented the environmental management system ISO 14001.

# **Management of Used Products**

### Recycling

The product may be recycled with cardboard and paper materials. However, recycling depends on collection, sorting and general material acceptance. Always consult with a local waste handler for recycling recommendations.

Recycling of the plastic and the corrugated board is possible for producing new products.

### Energy Recovery

All the materials are suited for energy recovery. Complete combustion gives mainly rise to carbon dioxide and water. The energy content of plastics/paper is comparable to that of oil/ wood.

## Validity

This is issued 2023-04-11. It is revised when there is a change in the manufacturing process, in the product or in legislation.