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1. Purpose and meaning

This environmental policy defines the regulations and responsibilities to which EuroQ has committed itself in relation to environmental and climate protection.

As an environmentally conscious company, we understand the importance of preserving the environment and protecting the climate. We are acutely aware of the consequences of environmental degradation and climate change for nature, the economy and society on a global, national and local level, and specifically for us as a company.

In light of this, it is our mission to work in complete harmony with environmental and climate protection measures in all of our activities and do our part to protect and preserve natural resources and the functionality of ecosystems.

This environmental policy applies throughout the entire company and is binding for all employees.

2. Legal aspects

We agree to comply with all applicable environmental and climate-relevant laws, regulations and other requirements at all times.

This applies to all relevant applicable legal norms of the European Union and the Federal Republic of Germany at both a state and municipal, in particular in the following areas:

- + Nature and landscape conservation
- + Climate protection
- + Water protection
- + Soil protection
- + Air pollution control
- + Noise protection and mitigation
- + Recycling and waste management

We also comply with all applicable regulations on nuclear and radiation protection, genetic engineering and chemical handling, even though we are not regularly confronted with such matters in our daily work.

We see constant compliance with applicable legislation regarding environmental and climate protection as an effective method of sustainably and successfully combating environmental and climate risks and embracing opportunities for environmental and climate protection.

3. Management of natural resources and waste reduction

We want to fulfil our responsibility to protect the environment and climate and preserve natural resources and biodiversity in our daily work as effectively as possible.

To this end, we strive to ensure that our actions minimise the impact on water, air and soil and that noise is avoided as much as possible.

To do so, we identify and evaluate potential opportunities and risks for the climate and environment and align our processes to ensure the smallest possible impact on these.

When it comes to waste, avoidance is our top priority. Our goods procurement focuses on minimising waste production.

We also ensure that paper is used sparingly – primarily through the use of digital solutions.

In terms of unavoidable waste, recycling takes clear precedence over disposal, and we use recycled products wherever possible.

Waste disposal is always our last resort. Where this is necessary, all applicable regulations are followed at all times, particularly in the case of products with special disposal requirements, such as batteries, old appliances or vehicles at the end of their service life.

4. Energy efficiency and renewable energy

Just as we want to produce as little waste as possible, we also want to use as little energy as possible. Energy efficiency is therefore always our highest priority.

As such, we always consider environmental and climate-relevant factors when procuring goods. When making purchase decisions, we not only consider economic and functional aspects, but also social and ecological characteristics, such as the country of manufacture, manufacturing conditions and the environmental and climate compatibility of the corresponding product.

Only energy-efficient equipment is used in our offices. We also make sure that our vehicles have a good energy balance and are economical in consumption.

In addition, we always work in a way that results in the lowest possible energy consumption and we opt for energy from renewable energy sources wherever possible.

5. Air quality and air pollution control, greenhouse emissions

As a transport company, fuel consumption is a particular focus of our actions for the environment and climate. Since this is unavoidable in our business activities, we have a special responsibility to keep our fuel consumption low and thus avoid unnecessary exhaust emissions.

When we purchase new vehicles, we therefore place great importance on ensuring that they are fuel-efficient and equipped with modern tyres to minimise harmful emissions. Our vehicles also undergo regular checks and services for this purpose.

Our drivers also play a key role in this respect by ensuring low-noise and fuel-efficient driving and efficient transport route planning.

To avoid greenhouse gas emissions, we only travel on business trips and to personal meetings when absolutely necessary. We make particular use of telephone and online solutions, such as telephone and video conferences, for this purpose.

6. Water quality and chemical handling

We always pay close attention to protecting water bodies and groundwater and keeping them clean.

In our daily work, we strive to use as little water as possible and never discharge pollutants into water bodies or groundwater.

We also follow all regulations regarding the handling of chemicals. Despite the fact that we do not tend to handle chemicals as part of our daily work, chemicals may, at times, enter our area of responsibility.

In such cases, we always ensure that no spills, leaks or overflows of these chemicals can occur. Wherever necessary, we request the assistance of a competent authority, such as the fire service.

7. Suppliers, business partners and collaborators

We also consider environmental and climate aspects when choosing our suppliers, business partners and collaborators.

We issue all suppliers with a questionnaire in order to determine their efforts and standards in relation to environmental and climate issues and other aspects of sustainability. Where it appears necessary and purposeful, we also work with suppliers to implement improvements in this area.

If a supplier fails to meet our expectations regarding environmental and climate protection, we will refrain from further collaboration.

We also pay close attention to how other partners tackle the issue of environmental and climate protection. Where appropriate, we may encourage a partner to incorporate and implement certain measures concerning environmental and climate issues.

8. Environmental policy training

We want to inform all of our employees of the significance of environmental and climate protection in the best possible way and achieve the highest level of awareness to ensure that environmental and climate protection becomes a matter of course in their daily work.

To do this, we offer training sessions on our environmental policy and review the effectiveness of this measure.

This way, we empower our employees to act in an environmentally and climate-friendly manner and embrace their responsibility.

If employees identify any deviations concerning environmental and climate protection, they must report them immediately. All communication channels are available for this purpose and anonymous reporting is possible at any time.

Our employees also play an active role in minimising our impact on the environment and climate and improving our environmental and climate protection.

9. Management

The company management evaluates the effectiveness and adequacy of this environmental policy at regular intervals, with the assistance of an external consultant if necessary.

The managing director may make changes to the policy whenever required. Employees are informed of any such changes as part of the training course.

Management also ensures that the latest version of the policy is always accessible and can be viewed by employees at any time.

The policy is also published on our homepage in order to clearly present our environmental and climate protection commitments and objectives to all of our customers, suppliers, business partners and collaborators.