



# EU REGULATION ON DEFORESTATION-FREE PRODUCTS (EUDR)

## INTRODUCTION

Deforestation and forest degradation contribute in many ways to the global climate crisis and the loss of biodiversity. These two crises are the most important environmental challenges of our time. The rate of deforestation and forest degradation is alarming. The Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) estimates that 420 million hectares of forest – an area larger than the European Union – were lost worldwide between 1990 and 2020. Every year, another 10 million hectares of forest are destroyed around the world. 90 percent of this deforestation is caused by unsustainable agriculture.<sup>1</sup>

This is driven by the high demand for commodities such as palm oil, soy and cocoa in consuming countries such as the US, China and the EU. For international forest protection to be successful, agricultural commodities must also be produced without deforestation or forest degradation.<sup>2</sup>

Under the new Regulation, companies' due diligence obligations will apply to trade in soy, oil palm, cattle, coffee, cocoa, rubber and timber, and products made from these listed in Annex I of the Regulation.<sup>1</sup>

## CLASSIFICATION FOR REGUPOL

Regupol is a pioneer in the circular economy, so we take our obligations very seriously and have carefully checked to the best of our knowledge, whether we are affected by the new regulation.

The regulation contains the following relevant aspects in relation to **REGUPOL** products:

- According to the regulation, secondary raw materials/recyclates are excluded from the scope of application.
- Listed products with recycled content and/or non-listed raw materials are excluded from the scope of application.
- Synthetic rubber is excluded from the scope of application if no listed raw materials are used. We have received declarations from suppliers to this effect.
- We use packaging materials solely to support, protect or carry another product and are therefore also excluded from the scope of application.

## CONCLUSION

**REGUPOL** is currently **not** affected by the EUDR.

## REGULATION

Regulation (EU) 2023/ of the European Parliament and of the Council of 31 May 2023 on the making available on the Union market and the export from the Union of certain commodities and products associated with deforestation and forest degradation and repealing Regulation (EU) No 995/2010 (europa.eu)

## OTHER SOURCES

**Website:** [BLE - Deforestation-free products](#)

**Video (German):** [Youtube EUDR](#)

**EU-Webseite (including Guideline and FAQs):**

[Deforestation Regulation implementation - European Commission \(europa.eu\)](#)

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

<sup>1</sup> BMEL - Forests worldwide - EU-wide uniform regulation for deforestation-free supply chains

<sup>2</sup> BLE - Deforestation-free products - Deforestation-free products