

Olympus Group  
Green Procurement Standard



***Smile for the Earth***  
人と地球の環境調和のために。

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## **1. Introduction**

In Olympus Group, we established “Olympus Group Environment Policy” in August, 1992 (which was revised in July, 2018) to clearly state the basic stance on environmental issues as a corporate citizen, thus leading it to specific activities. This Environment Policy was then converted into the Environmental Health and Safety Policy in April 2021, by incorporating environmental health and safety policies to comprehensively manage our EHS activities, and we have been promoting business activities considering the environment health and safety related issues.

### **<Environmental Health and Safety Policy >**

All our activities are based on our corporate philosophy, "Making people's lives healthier, safer and more fulfilling." Following this philosophy, the Olympus Group respects people's security and health and the natural mechanisms that realize this. We will contribute to the realization of a sustainable society by working to harmony with the environment and keep employees' security and health.

#### **1. Continual Improvement of Environmental Health and Safety Activities**

**We will maintain the environmental health and safety management system and mechanism on a global scale and monitor the progress of environmental health and safety activities regularly so that we can continuously improve our environmental health and safety performance.**

#### **2. Compliance with Laws, Regulations, and Social Norms**

**We will fully comply with the laws and regulations, agreements with our stakeholders, and our voluntary standards in respect to the environment, health and safety.**

#### **3. Reduction of Environmental Impact**

**Toward the solution of environmental issues, prevention of pollution, sustainable resource use, climate change mitigation and adaptation, and protection of biodiversity, we will reduce environmental impact through all business activities from research, development, design, procurement, production, logistics, sales and repair.**

#### **4. Keeping safety and health**

**We will keep a safe and hygienic work environment by taking measures to eliminate and reduce safety and health risk factors based on the risk assessments.**

#### **5. Attributing Importance to Communication**

**We will ensure transparency and reliability in dispatch of information about environmental safety and health activities, deepen mutual understanding with our stakeholders, and promote activities for solving environmental safety and health**

## **issues in cooperation with each other.**

In recent years, the concern about the earth environment has become increasingly stronger. With an aim of resolving the global environmental issues such as climate change, resource depletion, control of environment-related substances, etc., we strengthened our environmental activities in the total product life cycle from manufacturing of raw materials to parts production, product production, distribution, use of products and further to disposal of products.

In order to reduce the environmental burdens in the total product life cycle in Olympus Group, it is indispensable to have understanding and cooperation of suppliers. We would like to contribute to realization of the society where sustainable development is possible by creating the products with reduced environmental burdens together with suppliers, for which we rely on your cooperation.

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## **2. Purpose**

This standard has been established to promote, in collaboration with environmentally conscious suppliers, activities that use materials that have a minimal environmental impact in an effort to promote environmentally responsible production and to contribute to the creation of a sustainable society

## **3. Scope of Application**

This standard applies to green procurement activities by the Olympus Group with respect to product-related materials. The following items are collectively referred to as product-related materials:

- (1) Raw materials, auxiliary materials, components and subassemblies to be used for the manufacturing of products;
- (2) The products themselves, as well as their packaging materials and related accessories;
- (3) Dies, machinery, jigs and tools, which could cause environment-related substances to attach, travel, scatter or fall onto any of the items listed in (1) and (2) above;
- (4) Dies, machinery, jigs and tools for production which are exported from Japan to Europe; and,
- (5) Jigs and tools to be used for repairs and servicing.

## **4. Olympus Group Green Procurement Standard**

### **1) Selection of suppliers**

In selecting suppliers, in addition to quality, price, delivery time, service, technical capabilities and legislation/social norms, the transaction with suppliers who are working enthusiastically on the following environment protection activities is given priority. In this connection, we recommend suppliers that the environment management system (EMS) such as ISO14001 is obtained.

- (1) Suppliers which have put in place environment protection policies and a control structure that ensures the appropriate management thereof;
  - (2) Suppliers which disseminate information and administer education on the topic of environmental protection to employees;
  - (3) Suppliers which have a good grasp of the applicable environment-related laws and regulations of the countries and regions in which they do business;
  - (4) Suppliers which have a quantitative grasp on their CO2 emissions and water use, and have rolled out actions to achieve reductions in them;
  - (5) Suppliers which have a quantitative grasp on the amount of waste material they discard and have rolled out actions to achieve reductions in this amount;
  - (6) Suppliers which have established standards and rules for the management of chemical substances in line with the Olympus Group Control Rules for Environment-related Substances Used in Product and the relevant national laws and regulations, and have a management system in place to maintain these standards and rules.
- 2) Mutual cooperation
- In Olympus Group, while we request suppliers to comply with the green procurement standard, we will also take actions which will bring advantages to both by supporting suppliers upon request and strengthening mutual cooperation.

## **5. Requests to Suppliers**

In Olympus Group, we ask suppliers to approach the following issues to observe the green procurement standard.

### **5.1 Management of Environment-related Substances**

#### **1) Compliance with the Olympus Group Control Rules for Environment-related Substances Used in Product**

We would like to ask suppliers to observe the management standard of environment-related substances as specified in the Olympus Group Control Rules for Environment-related Substances Used in Product distributed separately.

#### **2) Maintenance of system for managing environment-related substances**

To ensure suppliers' compliance with the Management Rule on Environment-related Substances in Products, suppliers are kindly requested to implement a mechanism for an environment-related chemical substance management structure, as set forth in JIS Z7201 Management of Chemical Substances in Products – Principles and Guidelines.

#### **3) Submission of data for environment-related substances**

In Olympus Group, we are asking suppliers to provide the information on use/non-use of environment-related substances and its content, Certificate of Non-Use, etc., to ensure that the procured items conform to the Olympus Group Control Rules for Environment-related Substances Used in Product. As details will be given from our contact window, submission

within the time limit is cordially requested.

## **5.2 Compliance with Laws and Regulations Relating to Energy Conservation, Resource Conservation and Recycling**

Olympus asks for its suppliers' cooperation in reducing environmental impacts through their full compliance with the laws and regulations relating to energy and resource conservation and recycling, in addition to the requests made by Olympus.

## **5.3 Cooperation concerning reduction activities of CO<sub>2</sub> emissions and water use**

We in Olympus Group would like to strive for reducing CO<sub>2</sub> emission and water use in the total life cycle of products together with suppliers with an aim of realizing the society where sustainable development is possible. As we may ask for survey etc. to grasp the volume of CO<sub>2</sub> emission and water use, please cooperate with us in such a case.

## **6. Contact for Enquiry on This Standard**

Please contact the department in charge of distributing this standard.