

ÇAKIRLAR PRINTING SUSTAINABLE AND RESPONSIBLE PROCUREMENT POLICY

1. Purpose

The Sustainable and Responsible Procurement Policy of Çakırlar Printing has been prepared to promote adherence to ethical values, legal requirements, and environmental standards in all procurement processes by embedding sustainability principles. This policy aims to ensure the adoption of sustainable practices throughout the supply chain, transform business partnerships into long-term value-generating relationships, and enhance social responsibility while minimizing environmental impacts.

Transparency, professionalism, environmental awareness, respect for human rights, and the principles of sustainable development are prioritized in supplier selection. This policy serves as a guide for continuous improvement of procurement processes, risk reduction, and enhancement of environmental and social performance.

2. Scope

All suppliers seeking to work with Çakırlar Printing will be evaluated according to the standards defined in this policy. In the company's procurement processes, environmental sustainability, social responsibility, ethical principles, and regulatory compliance are among the primary criteria.

Suppliers are expected to align with company policies on topics such as protecting natural resources, adopting environmentally responsible production methods, respecting human rights, and fighting corruption. The policy applies to all operations of Çakırlar Printing and the suppliers it collaborates with. If the defined standards are violated, the company reserves the right to suspend or terminate cooperation.

3. Commitments

Çakırlar Printing adopts an approach that prioritizes sustainability and ethical principles in procurement. This policy aims to ensure that collaborations operate within sustainable development standards while considering the requirements of each supplier's sector. Suppliers are expected to fully comply with this policy and maintain transparency throughout their processes. In the case of violations, a solution-oriented approach is adopted, emphasizing shared responsibility among all parties.

3.1. Environmental Principles

Suppliers are expected to:

- **Environmental Management Systems:** Comply with standards such as ISO 14001 and integrate them into their operations.
- **Waste Management:** Properly separate and recycle waste arising from raw and auxiliary material production.
- **Renewable Energy:** Increase the use of renewable energy sources and reduce energy consumption.
- **Carbon Footprint Reduction:** Develop projects to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and invest in low-carbon technologies.
- **Eco-Friendly Products:** Prefer recyclable alternatives and produce environmentally friendly items (e.g., inks, chemicals).
- **Biodiversity Protection:** Use natural resources sustainably and minimize negative impacts on ecosystems.
- **Training & Awareness:** Provide environmental awareness training to employees and raise awareness about climate change.
- **Certified Wood and Wood-Based Products:** Suppliers are expected to supply wood products with certificates documenting sustainable forestry practices.

3.2. Labor Practices and Human Rights Principles

Suppliers are expected to:

- **Fair Working Conditions:** Offer safe, ergonomic, and healthy work environments.
- **Equal Opportunities:** Avoid discrimination and provide equal opportunities to all employees.
- **Respect for Human Rights:** Follow International Labour Organization (ILO) standards and the UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).
- **No Forced or Child Labor:** Adhere to a zero-tolerance policy for forced or child labor.
- **Grievance Mechanisms:** Establish fair and effective channels for employees to voice concerns.

3.3. Ethical Principles

- Suppliers are expected to:
- Legal Compliance:** Fully comply with all national and international laws.
- Ethical Conduct:** Avoid unethical practices such as corruption, bribery, and fraud; adopt transparency.
- Data Security:** Protect the confidentiality and security of customer and partner data.
- Training & Awareness:** Regularly train employees on ethical business conduct.

4. Implementation Principles

To increase efficiency and sustainability in procurement, Çakırlar Printing implements the following principles:

- Efficiency & Needs-Based Approach:** Optimize resource use and prevent unnecessary consumption.
- Objective & Fair Evaluation:** Use transparent criteria to evaluate supplier performance based on environmental, social, and economic impact.
- Supplier Competition & Transparency:** Encourage competition and conduct selection processes openly and traceably.
- Local and Regional Collaboration:** Support local suppliers to boost the regional economy and reduce carbon emissions.
- Focus on Quality & Innovation:** Prioritize high-quality and innovative, sustainable printing technologies and materials.
- Independent Decision-Making:** Make procurement decisions free from conflicts of interest, aligned with ethical values and business strategy.
- Environmental & Social Sensitivity:** Prefer suppliers with environmental certifications and social responsibility commitments.

5. Targets

Çakırlar Printing is committed to taking the following measurable and realistic steps to support sustainability and responsible sourcing goals:

- Supplier Code of Conduct Signing:** Have 60% of key suppliers sign the code by the end of 2025.

- **Environmental & Social Performance Evaluation:** Assess 40% of suppliers by 2025, increasing to 60% by 2026.
- **ISO 14001 Certification:** Target 40% of key suppliers to have ISO 14001 certification by the end of 2026.
- **Local Supplier Ratio:** Aim for 60% of the supplier base to consist of local suppliers by 2026.
- **Energy-Efficient Equipment:** Reduce production energy use by 5% by the end of 2026.
- **Use of Recyclable Materials:** Achieve 30% recyclable material usage by the end of 2025, increasing to 50% by 2026.
- **Fair Wages & Conditions:** Evaluate 50% of strategic suppliers on fair wages and safe working conditions by 2027.
- **Training for Procurement & Sales Teams:** Train 100% of customer-facing teams on sustainable procurement standards by 2025.
- **Use of Certified Wood and Wood Based Products:** It is aimed to increase the number of certified wooden pallets supplied by suppliers by 20% by the end of 2025 compared to 2024.

6. References

Çakırlar Printing bases this policy on the following international standards and guidelines:

- United Nations Global Compact
- Universal Declaration of Human Rights
- ILO Declaration on Fundamental Principles and Rights at Work
- United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)
- ISO 14001 Environmental Management System
- Sustainability Accounting Standards Board (SASB) Guidelines
- These references guide the company in strengthening sustainability and ethics across the supply chain.

7. Responsibility and Review

This policy was prepared by the Çakırlar Printing Sustainability Committee, incorporating feedback from employees, suppliers, customers, and stakeholders. The committee is responsible for ensuring compliance, monitoring procurement processes, and collaborating with departments to achieve sustainability goals.

The policy is reviewed annually based on:

Supplier evaluation reports

Performance data

Stakeholder feedback

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