

# VAPO GROUP ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY

The activities of Vapo Oy are based on the controlled and safe processing of natural resources and waste raw material and on the production and use of local energy.

We are committed to continual improvements in our operations and to the promotion of sustainable development at all stages of the lifecycle of the company's activities and products.

Vapo Oy realizes its responsibility and obligations. Our activities recognize the needs and values of our customers, employees and society at large.

Our environmental policy has the following objectives:

- We realize the obligations and responsibilities associated with our activities and the lifecycle of our products and act accordingly. We insist on similar responsibility from our business partners.
- Our aim is the sustainable use of natural resources and respect for natural values, whilst minimizing the environmental load and using natural resources with care. We gather information on the environmental impact of our operations and products and develop technology designed to minimize the impacts.
- We actively monitor the needs of the environment and in our operations we apply technology and working practices that are the best, both technically and economically.
- We are aware of our customers' environmental requirements and values. We develop our products and solutions to our customers' and society's environmental problems in accordance with these.
- We employ an environmental management system, a quality system, internal reviews and management reporting to ensure the management of environmental matters and the implementation of environmental policy.
- We see to it that our personnel and all those involved in the company's activities recognize the environmental impacts of their work and are committed to controlling them.
- We are engaged in an open and active dialogue with our customers, our personnel and other interest groups and we provide transparent and truthful information on environmental issues.

Based on our environmental policy, each Group company has drafted its own operating principles, environmental programme and objectives. The management of Vapo Oy monitors the policy's success and whether it needs to be revised. Our environmental policy is public and is available to all interest groups.

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