

## **GPN-GL14** Appendix

The following "Checklist of Environmental Practices by Printing Service Suppliers" covers important environmental issues that shall be considered by a printing service supplier and is used by an orderer to select a supplier. When placing an order with a certain printing service supplier that is not posting its services on "Eco-products Net" of GPN or is not certified as "Green Printing Factory Certification System" by Japan Federation of Printing Industries, an orderer shall give this checklist as a questionnaire to the supplier and refer to the questionnaire results to select a supplier. An orderer shall review environmental practices of different suppliers and select one that considers the environment better in its printing services.

## 1. Environmental Management System

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Guidelines	Checklist	
Management System		
(1) A printing service supplier	A printing service supplier shall have its own environmental	
shall have its own	management standards and/or programme.	
environmental management	□Yes	
system.	[Official name of the standards]	
	□No	
	Please check the appropriate box below.	
	A printing service supplier shall;	
	$\square$ Have its own environmental policies.	
	☐ Assume responsibility for environmental management.	
	☐ Provide employees with training programmes to increase	
	their environmental awareness.	
	☐ Understand relevant environmental legislations.	
	$\square$ Assess its own environmental impact and set goals and	
	plans to reduce it.	
	$\square$ Review the environmental management system and	
	implementation results regularly for future practices.	
	$\square$ Promote the practices in accordance with voluntary	
	standards of the industry.	
	Other practices (open-ended)	



## 2. Environmental Practices

Guidelines	Checklist
Design and Operation	
(1) A printing service supplier	☐A printing service supplier shall set its own environmental
shall consider environmental	standards for design and production.
conservation for project	☐A printing service supplier shall give advice to clients on
proposal and design	environmental consideration including paper standard with
production of printed	minimum loss, selection of paper and inks, surface treatment,
materials.	and bookbinding methods.
	Other practices (open-ended)
Plate Making	
(2) A printing service supplier	☐A printing service supplier shall promote digitalization (desk
shall promote digitalization of	top publishing: DTP, computer to plate: CTP, etc.) of plate
plate making and processing.	making and processing.
	Other practices (open-ended)
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(3) A printing services supplier	☐ A printing services supplier shall endeavour to reduce and
shall endeavour to reduce and	reuse of developer, fixer, and washing water for plate making
reuse of developer, fixer, and	and processing.
washing water for plate	Other prostings (an an ended)
making and processing.	Other practices (open-ended)
Printing and Processing	
(4) A printing service supplier	A printing service supplier shall;
shall appropriately manage	☐ Control the release of VOC from dampening water.
and treat VOC caused from	Control method (open-ended)
printing and processing not to	
emit it into the air.	☐ Control the release of VOC from washing water.
	Control method (open-ended)
	☐ Control the release of VOC by covering containers for used
	dusters and detergent.
	☐ Appropriately manage web offset for heat-set inks by
	installing devices for VOC discharge and treatment.
	$\Box$ Control the release of VOC from surface treatment.



	Control method (open-ended)
(5) A printing service supplier	☐A printing service supplier shall endeavour to choose
shall endeavour to use	energy efficient and resource efficient machines when
environmentally friendly	installing printing, processing, and binding machines.
printing machines and related	$\square$ A printing service supplier shall consider noises and
devices considering energy	vibration from the machines.
efficiency and resource	
efficiency.	Other practices (open-ended)
Disposal and Recycling	
(6) A printing service supplier	A printing service supplier shall;
shall implement reduction,	☐ Recover silver from liquid waste and plate-making film
recycling, and proper disposal	during the process of use of a plate-making film.
of waste in the all processes.	$\square$ Implement reuse or closed loop recycling of plates made of
	aluminium-based materials.
	☐Thoroughly reuse or recycle waste sheets as papermaking
	materials.
	☐ Promote recycling of ink containers.
	☐ Promote recycling of packing materials such as wrapping
	paper, packages for plates, and polypropylene bands.
	Other practices (open-ended)
Delivery	
(7) A printing service supplier	A printing service supplier shall;
shall consider reducing	☐ Implement idling reduction.
environmental impact from	$\square$ Introduce low emission vehicles.
delivery vehicles.	$\square$ Set appropriate loading capacity and shipping in maximum
	loading capacity.
	Other practices (open-ended)
Purchasing	
(8) A printing service supplier	☐A printing service supplier shall have its own policies on
shall promote green	promoting of green purchasing.
purchasing.	
	The supplier shall promote green purchasing of;



	☐ Paper (company brochures, business cards, quotations, copy paper, etc.) ☐ Office supplies (stationery, office furniture, office automation equipment, personal computers, etc.) ☐ Business vehicles (low emission vehicles and fuel efficient vehicles, etc.)
	☐ Recycled materials and other materials with less waste
	Other practices (open-ended)
Chemical Substances Manageme	ent
(9) A printing service supplier	A printing services supplier shall;
shall endeavour to control and	☐ Control chemical substances in accordance with PRTR (Law
reduce chemical substances.	Concerning Reporting, etc. of Releases to the Environment of
	Specific Chemical Substances and Promoting Improvements
	in Their Management).
	☐ Use no chlorine-containing resin in working processes.
	☐ Use inks that meet requirements of Negative List
	Regulations formulated by Japan Printing Ink Makers
	Association.
	☐ Use inks that meets requirements of EU legislation
	restricting the use of hazardous substances in electrical and
	electronic equipment (RoHS Directive) or voluntary standards of ink makers.
	Other practices (open-ended)
Others	
(10) A printing service supplier	A printing service supplier shall be expected to promote
shall actively endeavour to	various practices other than those mentioned above in order
reduce environmental impact.	to reduce environmental impact from its business, such as;
	☐Energy saving and resource saving
	☐Air pollution control
	☐ Water pollution control
	☐Soil pollution control
	Other practices (open-ended)