

GPN-GL3B Purchasing Guidelines for

Tissue Paper

Green Purchasing Network (GPN)

1. Scope

These guidelines cover important environmental issues that shall be considered when purchasing tissue paper.

2. Guidelines

When purchasing tissue paper, the following articles shall be considered for purchasing products with as little environmental burden as possible.

- (1) High percentage of recycled pulp as possible
- (2) When using virgin pulp, the following article shall be considered.
 - i. Timber used as a raw material shall be produced in accordance with the law and the rules of the regions where the trees are logged.
 - ii. Timber used as a raw material shall be recycled, unused or procured after confirmation of environmental and social sustainability of the regions where the tree are logged under sustainable forest management.
- (3) Small in size
- (4) Meets levels of unexcessive brightness
- (5) Refillable
- (6) Sold in a high-volume box when sold in a box
- (7) Blended with a large percentage of (ECF) pulp whitened without using chlorine gas when made from wood pulp

*These guidelines are subject to change in accordance with new findings and changes in social conditions.

Established November 27, 1997 Revised August 27, 2003 Revised November 11, 2014 Latest Revised June 15, 2023 By Green Purchasing Network (GPN)