

GPN-GL3C Purchasing Guidelines for

Paper Towel

Green Purchasing Network (GPN)

1. Scope

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

2. Guidelines

When purchasing paper towel, 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) Meets levels of unexcessive brightness
- (4) Blended with a large percentage of (ECF) pulp whitened without using chlorine gas when made from wood pulp

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