CERTIPUR LABEL FOR MOULDED FLEXIBLE POLYURETHANE FOAMS

Application Form and Technical Requirements

This document is destined to foam manufacturers who would like to apply for the CertiPUR certification label, the Safety, Health, and Environment (SHE) standard of the European Association of Flexible Polyurethane Foam Blocks Manufacturers (EUROPUR) for moulded foam used in furniture and bedding.

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I. General Information

The CertiPUR label is a voluntary certification trademark for the environment and health properties of flexible polyurethane foams used in bedding and upholstered furniture applications. It specifies substances that may not be used in the production of PU foam and sets stringent maximum limits for hazardous components.

In daily life, polyurethane foams are essential for comfort and used in a very broad variety of applications. Their unique performances must however be combined with a stringent standard when it comes to environment and health considerations. Downstream industry customers, final consumers and regulators legitimately expect proof of conformity of polyurethane foam with existing legislation but also with the latest scientific knowledge on substances used in formulations in order to minimize any impact on consumer's health and the environment.

CertiPUR meets these expectations through a clear commitment to avoid or limit strictly the presence of any potentially harmful substance in flexible polyurethane foams. In this approach it stays ahead of evolving EU legislation, such as the EC General Product Safety Directive 2001/95/EC, the REACH Regulation EC 1907/2006 or other relevant legislation.

The CertiPUR label enables individual foam producers to reassure bedding and furniture manufacturers on environmental matters, allowing them to give customers and consumers confidence in certified polyurethane foams.

The CertiPUR label is valid for three years. Control tests on certified foams of each label holder take place at least once a year.

How CertiPUR works

CertiPUR sets criteria in two categories:

- ***Measurable upper limits*** for finished foam on certain substances that are either used in foam production or that can be found in foams. CertiPUR designates these restricted substances and defines accepted test methods to determine these limits.
- ***Prohibited substances*****,** for which participating companies are required to declare that these substances are not being used to produce certified foams

The above is a brief summary. For more detailed information, please see the 'Technical Requirements' or contact EUROPUR which is in charge of the PU foam certification and its trademark CertiPUR.

II. Application Procedure, Enforcement and Contractual Provisions

1. Obtention of the CertiPUR Label

The CertiPUR label can be obtained by any producer, whose foam is compliant with the certification regulation. This is irrespective to the status of Member of EUROPUR aisbl.

To obtain the CertiPUR label, applications must go through the following procedure:

Sending in Application Form

To start the application procedure, applicants send the application form (see annex) to EUROPUR aisbl by email or regular mail. The form must be signed by a duly authorized representative of the company.

Reference Number and Foam Testing

Upon receipt of the application form, **EUROPUR issues a unique reference number and – for each foam family for which the label is requested – select the grade to be tested for conformity with the measurable limits for substances as set in chapter III Technical Requirements.** All foam families for which CertiPUR certification is requested have to be tested.

When doing so, EUROPUR provides the applicant with **sample submittal forms** that the applicant must use for sending foam samples to be tested to the accredited laboratory they selected. These first tests are to be paid for by the applicant directly to the accredited laboratory.

Payment and Issuing of Label

If the foam samples provided to the accredited laboratory are in conformity with CertiPUR requirements, then EUROPUR issues an invoice to the applicant for the cost of his label for the next 3 years. Only foam families of which the samples successfully passed the test will be mentioned on the label. **Once the invoice is paid, EUROPUR issues a CertiPUR label to the applicant, which officially becomes a label holder.** They can then make use of the label and his personalised CertiPUR logo featuring the label holder's unique reference number for the foam families covered by the label. The company's name is also added to the list of label holders on EUROPUR's website.

2. Price

The cost of a CertiPUR label for moulded foam products for **EUROPUR Members** is 3630 EUR for a period of three years.

The cost of a CertiPUR label for **non-members** which are label holders for the first time includes a scheme entry fee of 4400 EUR and the 5280 EUR fee for 3 years (9680 EUR in total). The cost of the CertiPUR labels covers the administration of CertiPUR and control tests to be performed during the validity period of labels (please see point "Controls and Enforcement" below). The fee for a CertiPUR label for non-members renewing their label (who were label holders already) is of 5280 EUR for 3 years.

3. Controls and Enforcement

At least once a year, EUROPUR will ask each label holder to send foam samples for control testing to the accredited laboratory selected on their application form. When doing so, EUROPUR may at its discretion chose to test any of the foam families covered by the label holder's CertiPUR label. The applicant must send the foam samples to the laboratory within 30 days from the date of request. The cost of such control tests is paid for by EUROPUR.

If the samples pass the control test, the label holder can continue to use the CertiPUR label and is given a copy of the test report. **If samples sent for control tests fail the test,** the label holder is given a copy of the test report and has 4 weeks maximum to review his formulation and re-send foam samples of the same family and grade for a new test to be performed. In that case, they must pay for this new test. If the samples fail the test again, the CertiPUR label is suspended until the applicant can provide new test reports proving that he remediated to the situation and that his foam is in conformity with CertiPUR requirements. Until such time, the applicant cannot use the CertiPUR logo anymore or his label and notice of the suspension of the label is added to CertiPUR's website.

Failure to send foam samples for control testing, or to take corrective actions when samples fail control tests, or to respect the above-set deadlines may lead to the complete withdrawal of the CertiPUR label at EUROPUR's discretion after warning in writing.

Label holders who continue using the CertiPUR logo or refer to a CertiPUR label that has been suspended or cancelled will be charged a penalty fee of 10,000 EUR per incident and be banned from CertiPUR certification for a period of three years. In case of unauthorised continuation of use of the logo and label, EUROPUR reserves the right to take appropriate legal action against the label holders for misuse of the CertiPUR trademark.

4. Other contractual conditions and information

CertiPUR Trademark

CertiPUR is a registered certification trademark of EUROPUR. This trade association manages the administration of CertiPUR (processing of applications, relations with label holders, enforcement). It is also responsible for updating the specifications of CertiPUR. EUROPUR is not performing any tests on foam itself, these are performed by independent accredited laboratories.

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Scope of the CertiPUR label

CertiPUR only covers polyurethane foams used in bedding and upholstery applications. It is designed as a common European standard covering the chemical compounds or substances used to produce flexible polyurethane foams or which may be contained in them. CertiPUR only covers health and environmental aspects, it does not apply to physical characteristics such as density or hardness.

Geographical validity

The label can be used worldwide. The CertiPUR trademark is registered in the EUIPO database and is protected in the EU27, United Kingdom, Norway, and Turkey.

Right to use the CertiPUR label and logo

Label holders have the right to use their CertiPUR label and their personalised CertiPUR logo for further communication or on their website or other documents for the duration of validity of their label and provided their label has not been suspended or cancelled. They can transfer this right of using the CertiPUR label and logo to their customers, provided their customers sign a declaration form in which they commit to only use the label on products containing 100% of foam certified under CertiPUR.

This validation form (Authorised User Validation Form) is available for download (https://europur.org/wpcontent/uploads/2023/08/CertiPUR-Authorised-User-Validation-Form-2023.pdf) and can be obtained from EUROPUR upon simple demand. Failure to complete this declaration will be considered unauthorised use of our trademark.

Modification of technical, legal and other requirements

EUROPUR may at any time review and update the technical, legal, and other requirements of the CertiPUR label. All CertiPUR label holders will be informed of the changes performed and will be responsible for making the necessary adjustments.

Legal entity / Label holders

CertiPUR labels are granted per legal entity. If a company operates in multiple plants from which it wishes to certify foam, then an application is required for each foam production plant. The first conformity test and the subsequent control tests must cover samples provided by each plant to be covered by the CertiPUR label. The cost of the label needs to be paid for each foam plant having successfully passed the application process. A company applying for multiple plants only needs to pay the eventual scheme entry fee once.

Foam families

Applicants can select the foam families they would like to be covered by the CertiPUR label when completing the application form. The number of foam families to be covered has no incidence on the cost of the CertiPUR label (but it does on the number of tests to be performed). But if a foam family is covered by the label, it is the right of EUROPUR to request that foam to be tested for a control test. Repeated failure in tests (see point 3 “Controls and Enforcement” above) for one foam family may lead to the suspension or withdrawal of the label for all the families covered by the label.

Applicants can add additional foam families to their label during the period of validity of their label at no additional cost, except the cost of testing. In that case however, a full test must be performed on foam samples of a grade to be selected by EUROPUR before the foam family can be added to the label. This test has to be covered by the application/ label holder. Addition of a foam family has no incidence on the overall duration of validity of the label.

Accredited laboratories

Applicants must use the following accredited laboratories for testing foam samples for conformity with CertiPUR. Test results from non-accredited laboratories are not accepted. These laboratories are:

Eurofins Product Testing A/S
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Third Party Claims

It is understood that not all foam production of label holders is constantly tested under CertiPUR but that tests are performed at random and at least once a year during the period of validity of labels. The responsibility of complying with the specifications of CertiPUR at all times for the foam families that are certified therefore lies with the label holder who is solely responsible for the foam he produces. By entering an application form, the applicant / label holder specifically states that he holds EUROPUR harmless from any claim to be made by a third party for non-conformity of one of his products covered by CertiPUR or from damages he would have to pay to the said third party for providing foam that is not in conformity with CertiPUR requirements. Further, the applicant commits to indemnify EUROPUR completely for any loss suffered or damages incurred.

Confidentiality

EUROPUR commits to treat all information received from applicants or in relation to CertiPUR labels (including test reports) confidentially. Anonymous and aggregated data may however be used for supporting scientific studies on substances contained in and emissions from polyurethane foam.

The names of label holders and the dates of validity of labels will be posted to our website, which will also mention the list of suspended or withdrawn labels and the legal entities they had been attributed to.

Label Holders are not to make their Certificate freely available online, as that could lead to people falsely claiming them as their Certified foam supplier and subsequently, fraudulent entries of the Authorised User Validation form. Label Holders are encouraged to showcase and prove the validity of their label by using their personalised logo, the banners from the media toolkit (available upon email request to EUROPUR) or by sharing the link of the list of CertiPUR Label Holders on the EUROPUR website (https://europur.org/certipur/list-of-certipur-label-holders/).

Period of Validity / Renewal

CertiPUR labels are valid for three years, until the validity date mentioned on the label.

3 months before the expiration of a label, EUROPUR will contact the label holder for starting the renewal procedure. The renewal procedure is the same as for a new application, with the exception that non-members wishing to renew their label do not have to pay the scheme entry fee again.

For more information / questions:

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III. Technical Requirements

Moulded foam producers applying for the CertiPUR label are required to demonstrate by external testing and declaration that their products comply with the criteria explained hereafter in the 'Technical Requirements'.

1. Moulded foam sample preparation procedure

Four square moulded foam samples are to be prepared with dimensions of 25x25x10 cm with the same commercial formulation and release agent as the moulded foam for which CertiPUR is applied for. The samples are to be cut out of the square mould within 1 week after production of the foam leaving the "A" and "B" surface (top and bottom skin) along with two side skins in place. The foam is then to be crushed to 70% and packaged as explained below. Sample blocks are to be handled with phthalate free gloves (e.g. phthalate-free PU, latex, or nitrile).

Each individual sample is to be sealed in aluminium foil as shown in the photograph illustrated instructions in Figure 1, This sealing is imperative to prevent ingress of VOCs from the environment during transport[1]. The aluminium foil seal should in turn be protected by wrapping the sealed sample in polyethylene foil[2].

EUROPUR will provide a sample submittal form for each to be tested moulded foam grade. For each of these grades three sealed and wrapped samples should be placed in a carboard box and copies of the sample submittal form should be taped to the samples. This box is then to be shipped to the accredited laboratory for testing via express delivery service.

One sealed wrapped sample with sample submittal form should be kept as a control for a period of 6 months.

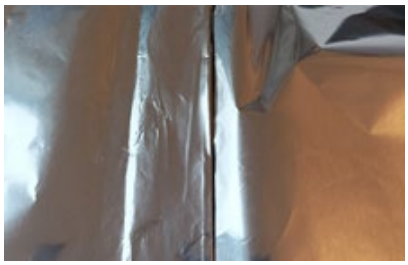
[1] For example, cardboard emits several times more formaldehyde than PU foam and such emanations may contaminate PU foam to an extend that the stringent formaldehyde emissions limits are exceeded.

[2] Be sure to use PE foil. Cling film made out of flexible PVC contain plasticizers that may contaminate the foam should there be a breach of the aluminum foil.

Use sufficiently wide aluminum foil and place two 65 cm pieces side by side

Overlap the two pieces by 5 cm lengthwise

Lift the overlap and crease for the full 65 cm length of the seam



Fold flat and crease

Place the foam sample in the center of the joined foil sheet lengthwise on top of the seam

Join the side panels together at the top. Pinch the overlap, roll over twice and fold flat to seal

Pinch the foil on the ends and squeeze together.

Roll the ends twice and press flat against the foam block

The finished foil wrapped sample should be tightly sealed on all sides.

Figure 1 Sample sealing instructions.

2. Substances subject to measurable limits

2.1. Tinorganic substances

Substance	Limit (ppm)
n-butyltin (Monobutyltin; MBT)	<15
di-n-butyltin (Dibutyltin; DBT)	<15
tri-n-butyltin (Tributyltin; TBT)	<5
tetra-n-butyltin (Tetrabutyltin; TeBT)	
n-octyltin (Monooctyltin; MOT)	
di-n-octyltin (Dioctyltin; DOT)	
tri-cyclohexyltin (TCyT)	
tri-phenyltin (TPhT)	
Sum*	<50

* *Besides the CertiPUR limit for the individual organic tin substances MBT, DBT and TBT, a specification limit is also set for the sum of MBT, DBT, TBT, TeBT, MOT, DOT, TCyT, and TPhT.*

Test method

A composite sample should be extracted for 1 hour with the extracting agent** in an ultrasonic bath at room temperature. After extraction, the alkyl tin species are derivatized by adding sodium tetraethylborate solution in THF. The derivative is then extracted with n-hexane. The sample is then submitted to a second extraction procedure. Both hexane extracts are combined and further used to determine the organotin compounds by gas chromatography with mass selective detection in SIM modus.

** *Extracting agent: 250 ml buffer*** + 1750 ml methanol + 300 ml acetic acid*

*** *Buffer (pH 4.5): 164 g sodium acetate + 1200 ml water + 165 ml acetic acid, to be diluted to 2000 ml with water*

2.2. TDA and MDA

Substance	Cas-No.	Limit (ppm)
2,4 Toluenediamine	95-80-7	≤ 5.0
4,4' Diaminodiphenylmethane	101-77-9	≤ 5.0
Sum of 2,2'-MDA, 2,4'-MDA, and 4,4'-MDA	6582-52-1 1208-52-2 101-77-9	≤ 15.0

Test method

A composite sample should be subjected to extraction with 1% aqueous acetic acid solution. Four repeat extractions of the same foam sample must be performed maintaining the sample weight to volume ratio of 1:5 in each case. The extracts are combined, made up to a known volume, filtered and analysed by HPLC-MS.

2.3. Ortho-phthalate plasticizers

Substance	Cas	Limit
Bis(2-ethylhexyl) phthalate (DEHP)[3]	117-81-7	Sum total: 100 ppm
Dibutyl phthalate (DBP)[3]	84-74-2	
Benzyl butyl phthalate (BBP)[3]	85-68-7	
Diisobutyl phthalate (DIBP)[3]	84-69-5	
Di-n-pentyl phthalate (DNPP)	131-18-0	
Di-n-hexyl phthalate (DNHP)	84-75-3	
Dicyclohexyl phthalate (DCHP)	84-61-7	
Di-n-octyl phthalate (DNOP)	117-84-0	
Diisononyl phthalate (DINP)	28553-12-0	
Diisodecyl phthalate (DIDP)	26761-40-0	
Diisopentyl phthalate (DIPP)	605-50-5	
Bis(methylcyclohexyl) phthalate (MDCHP)	27987-25-3	
Bis(2-propylheptyl) phthalate (DPHP)	53306-54-0	

Test method

A composite sample should be subjected to Soxhlet extraction with dichloromethane followed by analysis with GC/MS or HPLC/UV.

2.4. Emission of volatile organic compounds

Substance	Cas-No.	Limit (µg/m³)
Formaldehyde	50-00-0	15
Toluene	108-88-3	100
Styrene	100-42-5	5
Each other CMR substance class 1a or 1b (*)		5
Sum of all CMR substances class 1a and 1b (**)		40
Aromatic hydrocarbons		500
Organic volatiles (total)		500

** Note: this applies to substances with a harmonized and self-classification according to the CLP Regulation (1272/2008)*
*** including Formaldehyde*

Test method

The foam sample is placed on the bottom of an emission test chamber and is conditioned for 3 days at 23°C/50%RH, applying an air exchange rate n of 0.5 per hour and a chamber loading L of 0.4 m²/m³ (=

[3] For DEHP, DBP, BBP, DIBP a sum total limit is included in REACH Restriction entry 51 for certain classes of articles with a sum total limit of 0.1%. The CertiPUR limit is more stringent in the number of substances included and the sum total limit.

total exposed surface of sample in relation to chamber dimensions without sealing edges and back) in accordance with ISO 16000-9 and ISO 16000-11.

Sampling will be done 72 ± 2 h after loading of the chamber during 1 hour on Tenax TA and DNPH cartridges for respectively VOC and formaldehyde and acetaldehyde analysis.

The emissions of volatile organic compounds (VOC) are being trapped on Tenax TA sorbent tubes and subsequently analysed by means of thermo-desorption-GC-MS in accordance with ISO 16000-6. Results are semi-quantitatively expressed as toluene equivalents. All specified individual components are reported from a concentration limit ⩾ 1 µg/m³. TVOC value is the sum of all components with a concentration ⩾ 1 µg/m³ and eluting within the retention time window from n-hexane (C6) to n-hexadecane (C16) inclusive. Detected and identified Very Volatile Organic Compounds (VVOC; i.e. eluting before C6) and Semi-Volatile Organic Compounds (SVOCs; i.e. eluting after C16) should be reported separately on the test report, but not included in the calculation towards the VOC limit value.

The sum of all CMR substances class 1a & 1b is the sum of all these substances with a concentration ⩾ 1 µg/m³. In case the test results exceed the standard limits, substance specific quantification needs to be performed of these CMR 1a and 1b substances. If the substance specific quantification is below the CertiPUR limit, the foam passes.

Formaldehyde and acetaldehyde should be determined by collection of the sampled air onto DNPH cartridge and subsequent analysis by HPLC/UV in accordance to ISO 16000-3.

Note: Chamber volume has to be 0.5 or 1 m³.

1 sample (25 cm x 25 cm x 10 cm) is used in a test chamber of 0.5 m³ standing vertically on one 25 cm x 10 cm side.

2 samples (25 cm x 25 cm x 10 cm) are used in a 1 m³ test chamber standing vertically on one 25 cm x 10 cm side; in this case both samples are placed in the test chamber with 15 cm distance in between.

3. Substances that are prohibited

Applicant companies **must declare** they do not add the following substances. It is however not excluded that impurities may be present unintentionally. See following tables for further details by category.

3.1. Heavy metals

The Applicant declares that he does not intentionally add substances that may, to its knowledge, result in the foam containing heavy metal concentrations above those given in the table below.

Element	CertiPUR Limit (ppm of foam)
Antimony (Sb)	100
Arsenic (As)	25
Cadmium (Cd)	75
Chromium (Cr)	60
Lead (Pb)	90
Mercury (Hg)	60
Selenium (Se)	500

Note: while the pure metals are unlikely formulation components, Cadmium, Chromium, and Lead can be components of pigments. Suppliers of colour pastes should be asked to provide information on the concentration of these metals in the pastes they deliver to facilitate compliance to the requirements specified in this subchapter.

3.2. Dyes

Azocolourants and Azodyes restricted under REACH (2006/1907) Restriction Entry 43 shall not be used in flexible PU foam.

3.3. Ortho-phthalate plasticisers

The Applicant declares that he does not intentionally add ortho-phthalates to the foam formulation.

In addition to the substances that are tested for in section 1.2, there are other substances that qualify as ortho-phthalates that may not be intentionally added. To assist in the identification of those, the following non-exhaustive list can be used.

Name	Cas-No.
1,2-Benzenedicarboxylic acid, di-C6-10-alkyl esters	68515-51-5
1,2-Benzenedicarboxylic acid, benzyl isononyl alkyl esters	-
1,2-Benzenedicarboxylic acid, di-C8-10-alkyl esters	71662-46-9
1,2-Benzenedicarboxylic acid, di-C8-10-branched alkyl esters, C9-rich	68515-48-0
1,2-Benzenedicarboxylic acid, di-C9-11-branched alkyl esters, C10-rich	68515-49-1

3.4. Substances with certain hazard classifications

Raw materials for which the supplier applies a **self-classification** as:

- Carcinogen, Mutagen, or Reprotoxic (CMR) class 1a or 1b (H340, H350, H360); or
- Specific Target Organ Toxicity after Single Exposure (STOT SE) class 1 (H370), may not be intentionally used from the moment this appear on the SDS[4].

For substances that have gone through a **harmonized classification** under the CLP Regulation 1272/2008, that results in either a CMR 1a or 1b, or STOT SE 1 classification applicable in the EU; the intentional use is forbidden under CertiPUR from the date of entry into application.

3.5. Biocides

The rules defined under 2.4 do not apply for biocides. In line with EU legislation, only biocides that are allowed under the Biocidal Products Regulation 528/2012 and its amendments for use in PT9 are allowed to be used in flexible PU foam subject to CertiPUR certification.

3.6. Blowing Agents

Substance
CFC*
HCFC*
Methylene Chloride**

** Note: CFC and HCFC banned by Regulation 1005/2009 on substances that deplete the ozone layer, which implements the Montreal Protocol. The Montreal Protocol is a global treaty on ozone depleting substances.*

*** The prohibition on the use of methylene chloride to produce foam under CertiPUR will enter into force on 1 September 2024.*

3.7. Chlorobenzene content of diisocyanates

The diisocyanates used in the production of the PU foam have to fulfil a limit of max 20 ppm total chlorobenzenes*. Evidence may be obtained the raw material supplier.

*including monochlorobenzene, dichlorobenzene (sum of all isomers) & chlorobenzenes with › 3 Clatoms (sum of all isomers)

Test method

Quantitative GC-MS or equivalent validated method

[4] It is understood that this provision may cause issues. Should an SDS arrive to a label holder with such a classification for a raw material without a drop-in substitute, they may contact the EUROPUR secretariat with a clear technical explanation on the difficulties with substitution and request a transition period. The secretariat, in consultation with the Product Stewardship Chair, will then decide whether to grant the transition period. Should more than one such request be received for the same substance, the transition period will be communicated all label holders.

3.8. Other prohibited substances

The following substances may not be intentionally used in or for the production of flexible polyurethane foam under CertiPUR.

Substance	Cas-No.
Pentabromodiphenyl Ether (PentaBDE)	32534-81-9
Octabromodiphenyl Ether (OctaBDE)	32536-52-0
Decabromodiphenyl Ether (DecaBDE)	1163-19-5

IV. Terms of use of the CertiPUR label and admissible claims

The following terms of use apply to any authorised users when applying the CertiPUR logo to their products. The lack of observance of these terms can ultimately affect the authorisation granted by EUROPUR.

- Only apply the logo and trademark to products containing 100% CertiPUR certified foam (the products listed on our website).
- Specify that only the foam is certified and guaranteed to be free from harmful substances. This label does not apply to entire finished products such as mattresses or pillows.
- Do not use the logo or trademark alongside inaccurate claims.
- Use the personalised version of the logo featuring your unique company number.
- Always respect the stylisation of the CertiPUR™ trademark (PUR in all caps, no hyphens, trademark™) when mentioning it textually as to avoid confusion and inaccuracy.
- As a distributor, you don't need a special permission to use the CertiPUR logo on your website for advertising products bearing the CertiPUR logo, though it is kind of you to let us know.
- You can also physically attach the logo to the listed products (e.g. hang tags, labels, etc.) or add it to the manuals that accompany it though it is not an obligation.

Visual guidelines

- Do not change the colour scheme, text or fonts of the logo.
- Do not distort the logo.
- Use in a legible manner (e.g. not superimposed over other visuals or text).
- It is possible to use the CertiPUR logo in a black/white version, when the coloured version is not technically feasible.
- For more detailed graphic information (colours, Pantone references, fonts, etc.), please refer to the CertiPUR™ Visual Guidelines document, available upon email request to a.bukeye@europur.org

Admissible claims when using the CertiPUR logo

Claims concerning alleged environmental or sustainable nature of the product are not admitted.

The following non-exhaustive list includes terms that cannot be used in combination with the use of CertiPUR logo:

Chemical-free
Eco-friendly
Environmentally friendly
Environmentally safe
Green
Hypoallergenic
Made without chemicals
Made without flame retardants
No carcinogen
No flame retardants/free of FRs
Non-toxic
Recycled
Renewable
Safe
Soy-, agri- or bio-based
Sustainable

Here are suggestions of admissible language to use in conjunction with the CertiPUR name and logo.

Instead of ...,	**you can say**
Chemical-free *Made without chemicals*	*Controlled Chemicals Usage*
Eco-Friendly *Environmentally friendly* *Environmentally safe* *Green*	*Made without ozone depleting substances*
Hypoallergenic	-*
No carcinogen *Non-toxic*	*Tested for carcinogenic emissions* *Tested for toxic emissions*
Safe	-**

* *Hypoallergenic is a property of materials/practices to be designed to limit the creation of allergic responses. CertiPUR does not test for this and thus no such claim can be made.*

** *The General Product Legislation in essence states that all products placed on the EU market should be safe. This includes things like chemical hazards, to which the CertiPUR program contributes proof but cannot be exclusively relied on. Furthermore, it also includes other hazards such as but not limited to swallowing hazards or cutting hazards.*

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Moulded Foam Application Form

Instructions

Please fill and send a fully completed and signed copy of this application form to EUROPUR by email to info@europur.org

Upon receipt of your application form, EUROPUR will contact you to let you know your CertiPUR reference number for the continuation of the application process and send you sample submittal form(s) so that you can proceed with testing foam samples for conformity with CertiPUR at the laboratory of your choice.

Please do not send any foam samples to a laboratory before you received the sample submittal form since we will select the foam grades to be testing in the different foam families for which you apply for CertiPUR for the first test.

1. The Applicant - Legal entity details / Invoicing Details

Company Name	
Address	
Postal Code / City	
Country	
VAT Number	
PO n° (if applicable)	
Are you a EUROPUR Member?	◯ Yes ◯ No The full list of EUROPUR members can be found here in case of doubt: http://www.europur.org/about-us/members

2. Plant(s) applying for CertiPUR

Please complete ONLY if the name and address of the plant(s) is different from those of the applying legal entity. Only plants located in the same country as the applying legal entity can be covered by one and the same label. For plants located in different countries, different applications must be made.

PLANT N° 1:

Plant Name	
Address	
Postal Code / City	
Country	

PLANT N° 2:

Plant Name	
Address	
Postal Code / City	
Country	

3. Contact details of company representative

First and Last Name	
Position	
Tel	
Fax	
Email	

4. Foam families to be covered by CertiPUR

I apply for CertiPUR™ for the following foam families (please tick the appropriate boxes):

- ◯ Ether foams (incl. super soft)
- ◯ High Resilience foams (HR)
- ◯ Combustion Modified High Resilience foams (CMHR)
- ◯ Combustion Modified Ether foams (CME) (incl. super soft)
- ◯ Visco-Elastic foams (VE)
- ◯ Combustion Modified Visco-Elastic foams (CMVE)

5. Selection of the accredited laboratory

Please select from the list of accredited laboratories below the one with which you would like your foam samples to be tested during the period of validity of your label (please tick the appropriate box).

◯ Denmark: Eurofins Product Testing Denmark A/S

◯ Germany: TÜV Rheinland Products LGA GmbH

6. Sampling and Formulation

We, (the legal entity): .....

Hereby certify that for all samples to be tested for conformity to CertiPUR, and for the entire duration of the CertiPUR label, we will use a commercial formulation and the same release agent for making the moulded foam samples tested for CertiPUR as in normal production. We commit to select a commercial formulation for testing, which is of the foam family as requested on the sample submittal form to be sent to us by EUROPUR.

Signature: .....

7. Prohibited Substances

We, (the legal entity): .....

Hereby declare that we do not intentionally add any of the prohibited substances identified in the "Technical Requirements" (section 3 – substances that are prohibited) in any of the foam families we apply CertiPUR for.

Signature: .....

8. Disclaimer & hold harmless letter

If we receive the CertiPUR™ label, we, (the legal entity) ……,

acknowledge full responsibility for all our foams mentioned in the application form and all qualities as mentioned in Section 4 above; we will not hold EUROPUR liable for any product claim introduced by a customer or customers. Should EUROPUR be confronted with a product claim by customer(s), which is based on one of our products, we shall hold EUROPUR harmless and indemnify it completely for any loss suffered or damages incurred.

Signature: ……

9. Declaration of commitment on control testing

We, (the legal entity) ……, allow an authorised laboratory to carry out control tests at any time and on any product under application in accordance with the indicated foam families in the event that a label be granted by EUROPUR and until the label is no longer used. These testing costs are chargeable to EUROPUR, which will receive a copy of the test reports.

Signature: ……

10. Additional information

Please mention here if you have any additional information or if you do not want to have your name listed on the EUROPUR public website under companies registered with CertiPUR™.

We, (the legal entity) ……,

Have read carefully and understood the provisions of chapter "II. Application Procedure, Enforcement and Contractual Provisions" and the details of the application form. We agree with them and understand that they shall be binding to both us and EUROPUR for the duration of validity of our CertiPUR™ label, should it be granted.

Name:	**Date:**	**Signature:**
……	……	……

End of 'Application Form'