

Environmental Policy

Environmental and Climate Protection



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Preamble

What Makes Us Successful?

Our success is not solely defined by our products. Success demands more. Success demands responsibility – responsibility for oneself, for society, and for the environment.

As a manufacturing company, RB-Messwerkzeuge GmbH rises to the current challenges of climate change. We recognize our responsibility and the broader environmental and societal impacts that accompany our actions.

Our environmental policy provides an overview of our values and goals regarding environmental protection. It covers topics ranging from energy efficiency to water and air quality, natural resource management, waste reduction, and the handling of hazardous chemicals. The regulations derived from this policy provide the necessary security and guidance for our daily operations.

However, guidance alone is not sufficient. This environmental policy must be adhered to by everyone involved and outlines the goals we aim to achieve. Only by consistently acting in an environmentally conscious manner can we ensure sustainable success in the long term. This policy is therefore binding for all divisions and employees of RB-Messwerkzeuge GmbH.

Each of us can contribute to environmental protection and the company's success by following and actively embracing this environmental policy.

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Environmental Protection

2. Environmental Protection

RB-Messwerkzeuge GmbH is committed to ensuring the safety of all individuals and protecting the environment as we develop our products in alignment with these objectives.

We assess and evaluate the environmental impacts of our activities, deriving measures for continuous improvement. We actively work to reduce our environmental footprint while complying with relevant requirements and legislation. We are dedicated to not only meeting imposed regulations but also achieving our own ambitious goals.

We aim to earn the trust of our customers and be a good neighbor to the local community, creating social benefits at our location.

2.1 Energy Consumption and Energy Efficiency

In 2023, the annual energy consumption of RB-Messwerkzeuge GmbH totaled 162,400 kWh.

- ❖ Electricity consumption: 85,900 kWh
- ❖ Gas consumption: 76,500 kWh

We strive for the most rational use of energy to enhance energy efficiency.

This includes reducing greenhouse gas emissions, transitioning to renewable energy sources, and optimizing processes to minimize energy losses while maximizing benefits with reduced energy usage. One measure we implemented this year to achieve these goals was converting our lighting system to LED standards.

Our objectives:

- ❖ Develop an efficient machinery plan to lower energy consumption
- ❖ Reduce building space to decrease heating and lighting costs
- ❖ Install a centralized ventilation system with heat recovery
- ❖ Switch to green energy sources

Additionally, we are working toward developing an energy management system in line with ISO 50001, enabling us to determine optimal energy consumption for our production facility.

2.2 Water Usage and Water Quality

In 2023, the annual water consumption of RB-Messwerkzeuge GmbH totaled 91.61 m³.

As stated in the European Union's Water Framework Directive (WFD):

“Water is not a commercial product like any other but, rather, a heritage which must be protected, defended and treated as such.”

RB-Messwerkzeuge GmbH therefore ensures high-quality drinking water standards and wastewater disposal while maintaining long-term security in water supply and management.

2.3 Air Quality

Air quality refers to the composition of air, specifically to the level of pollutants it contains. Indoor air quality refers to air within buildings.

At RB-Messwerkzeuge GmbH, air quality focuses on the indoor air quality within our facility.

In compliance with EN 15251, the European standard defining parameters for indoor environments, we ensure high-quality indoor air to promote employee health and well-being.

2.4 Resource Management

Employees of RB-Messwerkzeuge GmbH are committed to the responsible use and procurement of natural resources in the development, manufacturing, and distribution of our products.

We regard the careful use of natural resources, such as water, energy, raw materials, and land, as a societal obligation.

2.5 Waste Reduction and Waste Disposal

Waste Reduction

Employees of RB-Messwerkzeuge GmbH strictly adhere to waste reduction practices, encompassing all measures that precede material recovery and aim to minimize the volume of waste generated.

The company is committed to avoiding unnecessary waste throughout the lifecycle of our facilities, machinery, and products.

Waste Disposal

Recyclable raw materials and residual waste are collected and processed professionally by certified service providers.

RB-Messwerkzeuge GmbH adheres to the German Commercial Waste Ordinance (GewAbfV) with a comprehensive customer analysis and waste disposal concept.

According to this ordinance, all waste is segregated for recycling or disposal wherever technically feasible and economically viable.

In cases where segregation is not possible, due to small quantities or contamination, waste is classified as mixed and promptly sent to pre-treatment facilities.

2.6 Chemical Management

RB-Messwerkzeuge GmbH is committed to minimizing the environmental and health impacts of chemical use, conserving natural resources, and maximizing the benefits of chemical applications for sustainable development.

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For Questions...

... regarding the application of this environmental policy in daily work, the managers at RB-Messwerkzeuge GmbH are your primary points of contact.

RB-Messwerkzeuge GmbH will regularly review this environmental policy and update it as necessary to reflect any changes in legislation.

Thank you for taking the time to thoroughly read our environmental policy.

This document will help us protect the environment sustainably and over the long term.

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