


EU-ecolabel („EU Blume“)

Overview

logo	
website	www.eu-ecolabel.de
Emblem name	Emblem. No Brand. Not worn as a brand. Emblem owner: European Commission. Emblem Administrator: Ecolabel Helpdesk c / o BIO Intelligence Service S.A.S. The BIO Intelligence Service S.A.S is a structure belonging to the Wuppertal Institute for Climate, Environment and Energy gGmbH and was founded in 2016.
geographical scope	Europe
International head-quarters	none
European head-quarters	Uncertain, because it is unclear who the signer or the responsible legally binding organization is. The European Commission, which introduced the image of the EU label as a project image, is not itself the seat. It is also unclear whether the seat is under the current sign administrator. Thus the seat of the legally binding organization would be the Wuppertal Institut gGmbH in Wuppertal.
structure	Legally binding overall structure unclear. Legislative structures in Europe are (1) Wuppertal Institute for Climate, Environment, Energy gGmbH and (2) RAL gGmbH. No further recognizable on the official website.
aim	Award for sustainable, ecological products.
motto	Voluntary European sign.
founding	Founded in 1992 by the EU Regulation EEC 880/92 as a voluntary sign. The regulation itself refers to the EU flower as an "emblem" (Annex II)
particularity	The EU ecolabel is a voluntary EU label. Legal bases are: 2011/337 / EU, Decision 2009/489 / EC. The label is applied for voluntarily. The EU ecolabel systematically adheres to the EU's eco-social laws and regulations. This means that even an imported product with the EU ecolabel must comply with this, which is not automatically the case for imported products into the EU. The EU ecolabel corresponds to the Blue Angel in most respects and will also be awarded by RAL gGmbH in Germany.
Certificate types, starting point	No certificate in the usual way (see, for example, FSC) For each product / product category an application is made online which RAL gGmbH processes and approves or not. Application documents: 4 pages; Page 1 and 2 are address tables, pages 3 and 4 are tables for entries.
standards	Various standards for each product group (see eu-ecolabel.de), similar to the Blue Angel.
criteria	Criteria are determined by RAL gGmbH depending on the product or product group. To obtain the label, the manufacturer must make a self-commitment. A check is carried out by the owner of the mark (Federal Office of Economics and Export Control in the leaflet energy labels for computers, as of 04.02.2015). „To obtain the label, the manufacturer must make a commitment“. Many parameters are checked via self-reports and operational documents, as an important aspect in the health sector over the presentation of measurement protocols such as Blue Angel.

Decision-making, awarding	<p>In Germany, the award is made by the RAL gGmbH, which also awards the Blue Angel.</p> <p>The EU Ecolabel can be requested from manufacturers, importers, service providers, but also traders at the relevant national office. In Germany this is the RAL gGmbH.</p> <p>The application must be accompanied by proof of compliance with the product group criteria. RAL gGmbH reviews the submitted documents. Once all the requirements have been met, RAL gGmbH concludes a contract with the respective signatory for the use of the EU Ecolabel.</p> <p>The validity is based on the term specified in the respective Basic Criteria.</p>
certification	<p>in Germany by RAL gGmbH.</p> <p>from http://www.eu-ecolabel.de is not apparent if there is another certification authority within the EU except RAL gGmbH. Certification organizations usually have no status of charitable status. RAL gGmbH is a non-profit organization because of its area of „RAL colors“, which accounts for the overwhelming share of revenue or business aspects.</p>
costs	<p>Application fee (processing of admission): 1,200 € (600 € SME) per product.</p> <p>Annual contribution: 0.15% of the annual conversion with the product. At least 300 € handling fee / product and year and a maximum of 25,000 € / per product and year.</p> <p>Additional costs for examinations or on-site inspections by RAL gGmbH.</p> <p>Information from http://www.eu-ecolabel.de</p>
product groups	
product groups	<p>Note: of the 660 listed products (as of September 2017), the majority are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sanitary paper, • Lubricant, • General purpose & sanitary cleaners, • Copy paper and graphic papers, • Rinse-of-body products, • Laundry detergent, • Automatic dishwasher detergents, • Hand dishwashing detergents, • Printed matter (9 products), • Textiles (3 products), • Newsprint (1 product), • excellent accommodation and camping. <p>*) More specifically: absorbent hygiene products, general-purpose and sanitary cleaners, tourist accommodation, bed mattresses, imaging equipment, wooden floor coverings, camping services, printed matter, electric, gas or gas absorption heat pumps, televisions, dishwashing detergents, hard coverings, wooden furniture, sanitary paper, interior and exterior paints and lacquers, copy paper and graphic paper, growing media, soil improvers and mulch, dishwasher detergents, machine dishwashing detergents for industrial and institutional use. Furniture, notebooks, personal, notebook and tablet cases, rinse-off cosmetics, sanitary fittings, lubricants, shoes, shoes, textile products, desktop computers, hot water heaters, detergents, detergents, toilets and urinals, processed paper products, newsprint. Beispiele zu Holzproduktgruppen (Stand Oktober 2017):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Office furniture: no products(*). (*) Annotation. However, there are already decisions on the product groups: (1) EU ecolabel for „wooden furniture“ (Decision 2009/894 / EC, valid from 2009 to 2017). (2) EU ecolabel for furniture (Decision EU 2016/1332, valid from 2016 to 2022). • Flooring: no products(*). (*) Note for the product groups, however, there are already decisions: (1) EU ecolabel for „wooden floor coverings“ (Decision 2010/18 / EC, valid from 2009-2016) and (2) EU ecolabel for „hard coverings“ (Decision 2009/607 / EC, valid from 2009 - 2017). • Windows and doors: no products, no standard.
Requirements for tenderers - selected aspects	
Remarks	none