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Cross-Country Requirements (All Countries)

The following cross-country requirements are minimum requirements and apply to all countries. This means that all negotiating parties for the relevant products must adhere to the requirements set out below in negotiations, irrespective of the country of delivery.

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				SPG	FL	PI	Target achievement date	DE	AT	BE	CH	DK	ES	FI	FR	GB	IE/NL	IT/MT	NL	PT	SE	US	BG	CZ	CY	GR	HR	HU	LT	LV/EE	PL	RO	RS	SI	SK								
Packaging Requirements																																											
	Cellulose	Packaging containing cellulose must consist of recycled material or FSC-certified virgin fiber. In exceptional cases, PEFC-certified cellulose may also be used. The target applies to primary and secondary packaging, including labels.	All Food and Near Food	■ ■	immediately	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■						
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	Plastic	By the end of the 2025 fiscal year, packaging must contain at least 30% less plastic compared to the base year of 2017. By the end of the 2027 fiscal year, a reduction of 35% must have been achieved. These targets do not apply to countries that opened after 2017.	All	■ ■	by 02/28/2026	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■					
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		By the end of the 2025 fiscal year, the use of virgin plastic in packaging must have decreased by 10% compared to the base year of 2018. This target does not apply to countries that opened after 2017 (2018).	All	■ ■	by 02/28/2026	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■					
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		Maximum recyclability must be achieved for 100% of packaging.	All	■ ■	by 02/28/2026	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■				
		Plastic packaging must contain at least 25% recycled material on average.	All	■ ■	by 02/28/2026	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■			

¹ GB: Plastic reduction: 40% by 12/31/2025
² GB: Recyclability: 90% by 12/31/2023
³ GB: Recycled proportion 30% from now

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100 % of palm (kernel) oil fractions ¹³ and derivatives ¹⁴ in Food and Near Food products must be certified in accordance with the RSPO “Mass Balance” standard at a minimum.	All Food and Near Food	■	■	immediately	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■
100% of palm (kernel) oil in Near Food products must be RSPO-certified, at least in accordance with the RSPO “Segregated” standard. Appropriate proof of certification must be provided by the supplier if required.	All Near Food	■	■	immediately by 02/29/2024	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■
 Rice A certified rice item (Sustainable Rice Platform, Fairtrade, or Organic) must be offered. This will be implemented by the seller concerned at the request of and in consultation with Lidl.	47.40	■		by 02/28/2026	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■
 Juice 100% of refrigerated not-from-concentrate juice from overseas must be Fairtrade-, Organic-, or Rainforest Alliance-certified for certain brands (Solevita, Naturis).	31.60	■	■	immediately	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■
 Soy 100% of soy in vegetarian and vegan meat substitute products from the Vemondo own brand must have a regional or European origin. Soy with the Donau Soja or Europe Soya certificate is preferred.	20.50, 33.20, 33.40, 33.60, 33.70	■		immediately	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■
 Tea 100% of black, green, and rooibos teas must be Fairtrade-, Organic-, or Rainforest Alliance-certified.	46.40	■	■	immediately	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■
100% of the herbal and fruit tea assortment must be Fairtrade-, Organic-, or Rainforest Alliance-certified, provided that such goods are available and that certification exists.	46.40	■	■	immediately	■	■	■																							

¹³ Palm (kernel) oil fractions are solid and liquid components of palm oil or palm kernel oil. These are predominantly used in cooking and frying oils, margarines, and confectionery.

¹⁴ Palm (kernel) oil derivatives are produced during the chemical processing of fractions and are mainly used in cosmetics and cleaning agents.

Country-Specific Requirements

The country-specific requirements listed below apply in addition to the cross-country requirements for products negotiated nationally and apply only to the respective country of delivery specified. This means that the negotiating parties for the product concerned must adhere to the requirements set out below in negotiations if the product is to be supplied to the specified country.

These requirements apply in addition to the cross-country requirements.

				SPG	FL	PI
 Lidl Austria (AT)		Beef	The beef for defined product groups must not come from South America.	91	■	■
 Lidl Spain (ES)		Fresh meat	Items in these product groups must be certified with the “Welfair” animal welfare seal from “Welfare Quality.”	90, 91	■	■
		Dairy products	Dairy products in these product groups must be certified with the “Welfair” animal welfare seal from “Welfare Quality.”	36, 41	■	■
		Eggs	Items in these product groups must be certified with the “Welfair” animal welfare seal from “Welfare Quality.”	43.10	■	■
 Lidl Serbia (RS)		Soy (animal feed)	100% of soy feed used for laying hens must be Donau Soja-certified.	43.10	■	

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	 Eggs and egg components	For all Food own brands, where included in the recipe, eggs and egg components from caged hens and small group housing systems must not be used. Lysozyme is the exception to this rule: The use of lysozyme from eggs from hens kept in small group housing systems is permitted only if lysozyme from eggs from hens kept in barn, free range, or organic conditions is not available.	excluding 20.20, 20.50, 32.30, 32.50, 33.30, 33.40, 33.60, 44.30	■	■
	Packaging Requirements				
	 Plastic	All packaging supplied must comply with the applicable legal regulations on environmental labeling (Legislative Decree No. 152 of April 3, 2006). In addition, suppliers must specify the alphanumeric code on packaging in accordance with Commission Decision 97/129/EC ¹⁶ and provide accurate information on packaging that tells consumers the final destinations of the packaging (specifying the family of materials that the packaging is made from along with a note to check the local regulations regarding separate collection).	All	■	■
	 Eggs	The sale of eggs from caged hens in stores in Great Britain is gradually being phased out and the range expanded to include eggs from organic farming practices and free-range and barn conditions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Suppliers are obligated to prioritize cage-free eggs in the production of Lidl products and to speak to buyers where this is not the case. Free-range eggs must be RSPCA-certified. 	43 Ingredients: 32, 33, 47	■	■
	 Fresh meat and poultry	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> British meat, poultry, and dairy products must have “Red Tractor Assured” status at a minimum. Pork from outdoor housing must be “RSPCA Assured” at a minimum. Deluxe turkey must be “RSPCA Assured” at a minimum. Free-range chicken must be “RSPCA Assured” at a minimum. 	90, 91	■	■
	 Coffee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 100% of roasted coffee must be Fairtrade-, Organic-, or Rainforest Alliance-certified. 	46.10	■	■
	 Soy (animal feed)	Nationally negotiated suppliers must agree to the requirements of the “UK Soy Manifesto.” By the end of the 2025 fiscal year, 100% of soy used as animal feed must have been produced without deforestation or land conversion.	20, 30, 31, 32, 33, 35, 36, 40, 41, 42, 43, 50, 51, 90, 91, 92	■	■
	 Animal testing	Animal testing must not be used on any products or ingredients in cosmetic and household products, and all such products and ingredients must meet the requirements of “Leaping Bunny” before they arrive in stores: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Suppliers must complete a product declaration form for all finished products supplied to Lidl GB. Suppliers must obtain declaration forms from all suppliers/manufacturers of Lidl GB products. Suppliers must declare any animal testing that took place after the cut-off date of March 11, 2013. The documentation must be completed as soon as the end product is agreed with the buyer. 	82, 83, 85	■	■

¹⁶ EUR-Lex - 31997D0129 - EN - EUR-Lex (europa.eu)

			SPG	FL	PI
		Poultry Husbandry system 2 as the minimum standard for fresh poultry from Germany. Animals must be fed GMO-free feed and stunned using CO ₂ .	90.10, 90.20, 91.10	■	■
		Fresh and UHT milk assortment The fresh and UHT milk assortment must consist of 100% German raw ingredients (definition: the producing business is based in DE).	36.10, 41.10	■	■
		Beef Beef must not come from Brazil.	20.70, 30.10-30.110, 40.10-40.40, 51.10-51.20, 78.20-78.30, 91.2	■	■
		Fresh eggs Fresh eggs must come from KAT-certified supply chains where no chicks are culled and the hens are fed GMO-free feed.	43.1	■	■
		Pork For German pork, the principle of 5xD applies (borne, reared, fattened, slaughtered, and processed in Germany) for fresh and conventional pork in the own-brand butcher fresh assortment (excluding organic and marinated fresh meat) and sausages in the own-brand butcher fresh and organic assortment. Husbandry system 2 as the minimum standard for fresh pork from Germany.	91.10, 30, 40	■	■
			Duck meat Duck meat must be free range.	90.30	■
		Rabbit meat Rabbit meat must be certified with a star from the “Better Life” (Beter Leven) quality seal at a minimum.	90.30	■	■
		Fresh pork Fresh pork and sausage products, as well as convenience products containing pork, must be certified with a star from the “Better Life” (Beter Leven) quality seal at a minimum (excluding pork fillets).	91.10, 30.10-30.110	■	■
		Sliced chicken Sliced chicken must be certified with a star from the “Better Life” (Beter Leven) quality seal at a minimum.	30.90	■	■
		Beef The beef for defined product groups must not come from Brazil.	91.20, 30.10-30.110	■	■

			SPG	FL	PI	
	RTRS soy certified items	When delivering <u>nationally negotiated items</u> , the seller guarantees to the buyer that the following qualities and certifications are satisfied insofar as they are components of the recipe or have been used in the product's production chain for animal feed (e.g., in the form of soy hulls or soy meal). For all edible own-brand and brand Food products – i.e., for items in the fixed assortment – and for promotional items, soy from a 100% RTRS-certified origin must be used. The seller will follow the RTRS credit method in any case (target in the medium term: mass balance method) and maintain a record of the current status. This ensures that the quantity of certified soy that is required for the product does not exceed the quantity of certified soy that is purchased.	30, 31, 32, 35, 36, 40, 41, 42, 43, 90, 91, 92	■	■	
	White fresh eggs	White fresh eggs must be certified with a star from the “Better Life” (Beter Leven) quality seal at a minimum.	43.10	■	■	
	Turkey	Turkey and sausage products must be certified with a star from the “Better Life” (Beter Leven) quality seal at a minimum.	30.90, 90.10	■	■	
+ Lidl Switzerland (CH)		All Swiss organic products	Organic products of Swiss origin must be produced in accordance with the guidelines of Bio Suisse Knospe at a minimum (see also the “Organic Seal” text module in the relevant purchase contract).	All	■	■
		Exclusion of animal species, products, production methods	Lidl Switzerland does not purchase the following animal species, products, and production methods: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Frogs' legs • Endangered species (species categorized as “endangered” and above on the IUCN Red List) • Goose and duck liver produced by force-feeding • Products with meat or poultry from Asia 	All	■	■
		Use of antibiotics and hormones	The use of antibiotics and hormones to stimulate production is prohibited in all animal products.	20.60, 20.70, 90,91, 20.80, 30, 33.10, 40,50, 51.20, 92, 31, 32, 35, 36, 41, 42, 43	■	■
		Soy (animal feed)	For Swiss meat and poultry products, the requirements of soy network switzerland apply to soy used for animal feed.	20.60, 20.70, 90, 91, 30,40, 51.20	■	■

			SPG	FL	PI
	Whole eggs and egg components	Whole eggs and egg components must come from barn rearing systems at a minimum. Whole imported eggs may only come from businesses that have been certified by the Association for Controlled Alternative Animal Husbandry (KAT).	All	■	■
		The male chickens must also be reared for 100% of organic fresh eggs (no chick culling).	SPG 43.10	■	■
	Rabbit	Rabbits for fresh meat products must come exclusively from the Rabbit Relax program or a higher-standard program. The relevant program must be inspected on a regular basis by the Swiss animal welfare organization “KAGfreiland” or by “Schweizer Tierschutz STS.”	91.40	■	■
	Lamb	Lambs for fresh and frozen meat products and sausage products must come from businesses that keep the animals in accordance with the requirements of the “Regelmässiger Auslauf ins Freie – (RAUS)” (Regular exercise outside) program of the Swiss Federal Office for Agriculture.	20.70, 30, 40, 91.30	■	■
	Laying hens	Laying hens that are sold as poultry must satisfy the requirements of the barn husbandry system at a minimum. Businesses outside of Switzerland must be certified in accordance with the guidelines of the Association for Controlled Alternative Animal Husbandry (KAT).	All	■	■
	Palm (kernel) oil	100% of palm (kernel) oil in own-brand products must be certified in accordance with the Bio Suisse-, EU Organic, POIG-, or RSPO standard. If the palm oil is RSPO-certified, it must be certified in accordance with the “Segregated” standard at a minimum in Food and Near Food products.	All	■	■
	Horse	All products containing horse must comply with an appropriate animal welfare standard. This is assessed by “Schweizer Tierschutz STS.”	All	■	■
	Chickens and turkeys	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chickens for fresh, imported poultry products must be kept in accordance with the requirements of Swiss animal welfare law at a minimum. The husbandry conditions must be inspected and assessed by “Schweizer Tierschutz STS” every two years. Swiss chickens for fresh poultry products must come from businesses that participate in the BTS program (Besonders tierfreundliche Stallhaltung – Particularly animal-friendly housing) of the Swiss Federal Office for Agriculture. Turkeys for fresh, imported poultry products preferably come from businesses that keep the turkeys in accordance with the requirements of Swiss animal welfare law at a minimum. Chickens for fresh, imported poultry products must be fed with sustainable, GMO-free soy, preferably of European origin. The current standards of soy network switzerland are regarded as sustainable. Part of the crude protein content of the feed must come from protein crops that are native to the country of import, such as peas, corn, rapeseed, or wheat. 	90	■	■

			SPG	FL	PI
 Cattle, calves, and cows	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cattle and calves for fresh meat products must come from Switzerland or be kept in accordance with the requirements of Swiss animal welfare law at a minimum. Cattle and calves for fresh, imported meat products must be fed exclusively based on grassland and preferably be kept in a pasture grazing system. Feedlots (cattle gates with no access to pasture land) are categorically excluded. 		91.20	■	■
	Organic grazing cattle must be kept on farms that are certified by Bio Suisse Knospe. Products traded under the label “Bio Organic Weiderind” (Organic pasture beef) must be kept in accordance with the guidelines for “Mastbetriebe im Silvestri Bio Weiderind Programm” (Fattening farms in the Silvestri organic pasture beef program).		20.70, 30,40, 51.20, 91.20	■	■
	Swiss business that supply products for milk-based products and fresh milk must meet the requirements of the “Nachhaltige Schweizer Milch” (Sustainable Swiss milk) industry standard (“swissmilk green”).		36	■	■
	Buffalo for fresh buffalo mozzarella products must be kept in accordance with the current EC basic organic regulation (dated 2021: Council Regulation (EC) No 834/2007) or Bio Suisse Knospe guidelines.		91.20	■	■
 Pork	Swiss pork producers that supply fresh meat products to Lidl Switzerland must be part of either the “QGS Safety Plus” or “SGD SUISANO” health program.		91.10	■	■
	Products traded under the “Terra Natura” label must be produced in accordance with the “Lidl Terra Natura Schweine (LTN)” (Lidl Terra Natura Pork) guidelines. These specifications are an integral part of the Terra Natura contract and govern the preparation, processing, marketing, and trade flow of Lidl Terra Natura products. Terra Natura businesses, transportation, and slaughter must be inspected by “Schweizer Tierschutz STS” on a regular basis and without prior notification.		20.70, 30,40, 51.20, 91.10	■	■
 Swiss meat and poultry	Swiss meat and poultry must have Suisse Garantie certification at a minimum.		90, 91	■	■
 Quails	Quails for meat products and eggs must come from businesses in Switzerland or at a minimum comply with Swiss animal welfare law. The animals must have access to an outdoor area.		90.30, 43.10	■	■
Climate					
 Air freight	Furthermore, sellers for Lidl Switzerland shall not sell/supply to Lidl Switzerland any products from the categories of fresh herbs, fresh fish (including sushi), or fresh meat and poultry that have been transported either in whole or in part by air freight.		92, 33.50, 90, 91	■	■

			SPG	FL	PI
	 Fresh milk and dairy products	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> For production in Ireland: All listed own-brand fresh milk and dairy products that are produced in Ireland must be procured from farms that are approved under the “Bord Bia Sustainable Dairy Assurance Scheme.” For production in Northern Ireland: All listed own-brand fresh milk and dairy products that are produced in Northern Ireland must be procured from farms that are approved under the “Bord Bia Sustainable Dairy Assurance Scheme” or the “Red Tractor Assurance Scheme.” 	31, 32, 35, 36, 41, 42	■	■
	 Fresh meat and poultry	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> For production in Ireland: All fresh beef, lamb, chicken, duck, and pork products produced in Ireland and listed under own brands must be approved under the respective “Bord Bia Quality/Sustainability Assurance Scheme” and bear the relevant label on the packaging. For production in Northern Ireland: All fresh beef, lamb, chicken, duck, and pork products produced in Northern Ireland and listed under own brands must be approved under the respective “Bord Bia Quality/Sustainability Assurance Scheme,” the “Northern Ireland Farm Quality Assurance Scheme” (for beef), or the “Red Tractor Assurance Scheme” and bear the relevant label on the packaging. 	90, 91	■	■
	 Fresh eggs	Where possible, all fresh eggs must come from Irish farms approved under the “Bord Bia Egg Quality Assurance Scheme” or from Northern Irish farms approved under the “British Lion Standard.”	43.10	■	■
	 Coffee	100% of roasted coffee must be Fairtrade-, Organic-, or Rainforest Alliance-certified.	46.10	■	■
	 Beef	Beef in SPG 91.20 must not come from Brazil.	91.20	■	■
	 Rabbit	Fresh rabbit meat must be certified in accordance with the “parkkonijn” seal.	91.40.10	■	■

			SPG	FL	PI
	 Soy	Promotion of the use of European and French plant protein as an alternative to imported soy.	30, 31, 32, 33.40, 36, 40, 41, 42,43, 51, 90, 91	■	■
		<p>By 2025, soybeans in your supply chains must not come from deforestation areas under the HCS and HCV approach or from notable ecosystems that have been legally or illegally converted after the cut-off date of January 1, 2020 (particularly the Cerrado in Brazil). Suppliers are obligated to adhere to the risk management mechanism recommended in Articles 3.2–3.3 of the report by the National Strategy to Combat Imported Deforestation (SNDI) Scientific Committee. It must be possible to trace soy back to the first marketer in Europe (e.g., ZDC soy from the Earth Worm Audit).</p>	30, 31, 32, 33.40, 36, 40, 41, 42,43, 51, 90, 91	■	■
	 Fish	Frozen fish and seafood shall be certified according to our established national Process.	20.80 33.10 50.10 92.10	■	■
	 Plastic	The imprint on own-brand packaging for nationally negotiated frozen goods must be reduced in accordance with the local industry agreement by February 28, 2026.	91.20	■	■
	 Fresh eggs	100% of fresh eggs sold must be of Swedish origin.	43.10	■	■



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