# Environmental requirements for products: Cleaning products and/or services

For each product group, a number of absolute requirements and a number of recommended requirements have been set up.

The absolute requirements must be met when purchasing products, and the supplier must sign a declaration (as part of the contract, if required) to the effect that such requirements have been met. Some of the absolute requirements are statutory EU requirements; however, they are specified in the contract as they are typically problem areas.

The recommended requirements are recommendations that are weighted positively in the choice between competing products.

## Product group: Sanitary products

### **Absolute requirements**

- Sanitary paper must be labelled an official eco-label (EU Ecolabel or Nordic Ecolabel).
- Soap must be labelled with an official eco-label (EU Ecolabel or Nordic Ecolabel).

#### Product group: Cleaning products

#### Absolute requirements:

- The cleaning product must not contain substances that are or may decompose into substances that are carcinogenic (Carc), mutagenic (Mut) or toxic to reproduction (Rep).
- Ingredients must not be classified as sensitising/allergenic with the following risk phrases/hazard categories:
  - H334 / R42
  - H317 / R43

Any combination of these risk phrases/hazard categories.

The following constituent substances must not be present in the chemicals:

- Reactive chloro-compounds, for example sodium hypochlorite, although reactive chlore-compounds may be used if the authority prescribes it.
- Organochlorine compounds
- Alkylphenol ethoxylates (APEOs) and derivatives of APEO
- Linear alkyl benzene sulfonates (LAS)
- EDTA, DTPA and NTA
- Silver-nanoparticles
- Perfluorinated and polyfluorinated alkylated substances (PFAS)
- Optical brighteners

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# Recommended requirements:

Products meeting the following requirements will be preferred:

- Cleaning products labelled with an official ecolabel (Nordic Ecolabel or EU Ecolabel).
- Cleaning services labelled with the official ecolabel Nordic Ecolabel.