



PRESS RELEASE / 17 April 2020

Swift support from Selters

Schütz produces visors for hospitals and nursing homes

Selters (hds). The continuing spread of the novel coronavirus poses a huge challenge for the health care of people all over the world. In the Westerwald region of Germany, medical supplies that were once taken for granted are also suddenly in short supply. Medical and nursing staff urgently need protective equipment such as respiratory masks and visors to protect them in their everyday work. In light of this situation, Schütz decided to make a contribution and in record time developed and started manufacturing visors at its headquarters in Selters. These protective face shields are already being supplied to care facilities in the region.

The initial idea came from an employee whose wife works in a nearby hospital: with the great demand for protective equipment, he suggested that Schütz could start a project to produce visors. These visors consist of three components: a headband, an elastic strap and a facial shield. Thanks to decades of experience in plastic processing and injection moulding, it only took the company two days to make the necessary injection moulding tool in-house for producing large quantities of the headbands to which the shields are attached. The plastic film for the shield is supplied by the packaging specialist's cooperation partner Klöckner Pentaplast GmbH in Montabaur, who has also donated a large number of visors to the campaign.

In the first delivery, Schütz was able to provide local hospitals, clinics, nursing homes and midwives with thousands of visors free of charge within a very short time. The response was overwhelming, and the company received messages from numerous other hospitals and nursing homes, all of whom were experiencing a severe shortage of this protective gear. In order to meet demand quickly and increase capacity accordingly, Schütz immediately ordered larger quantities of materials for

this special production run and is now in a position to offer even larger quantities of visors as a complete set for self-assembly at cost price. Facilities in the vicinity can purchase the visors direct from Schütz. “We are proud to be playing our part by contributing to the protection of our doctors and nursing staff – people who are facing extraordinary challenges in these difficult times”, said Melanie Ievoli, Manager Advertising & PR at Schütz.

Characters: 2,394 (including headlines and spaces)



Caption: A visor made by Schütz in use.
Photo: SCHÜTZ

Schütz is a leading international producer of high-quality transport packaging (Intermediate Bulk Containers, PE and steel drums). The Group's headquarters are in Selters, Germany. Founded in 1958, Schütz employs over 6000 people at more than 50 production and service sites around the world (including licensees). The four Schütz business units, Packaging Systems, Energy Systems, Industrial Services and Composites, each hold leading positions in their respective markets. The family-run enterprise is an important trendsetter and innovator. The Group's turnover in 2018 was 1.8 billion euros. Schütz offers its customers full system solutions that are tailored to their individual supply chain. With the Schütz Ticket Service, a closed-loop cycle of speedy collection and reconditioning for used Schütz IBCs, Schütz provides all of the world's major industrial nations with a service that fully complies with the Group's sustainability philosophy.

Characters in box (including spaces): 950

For more information, please contact:

SCHÜTZ GmbH & Co. KGaA, Schützstraße 12, D-56242 Selters
Tel.: +49(0)2626/77-274, Fax: +49(0)2626/77-365, E-Mail: melanie.ievolo@schuetz.net

hd...s agentur für presse- und öffentlichkeitsarbeit, Kaiser-Friedrich-Ring 23
D-65185 Wiesbaden, Tel.: +49(0)611-9929-111/-113, Fax: +49(0)611-9929130
Email: h.d.schmitt@hds-pr.com, s.kraemer@hds-pr.com

If published, please send a
voucher copy to the agency
address on the left.