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CircularOne by Schütz: The new all-in-one solution for highly efficient packaging cycles

The demands placed on an efficient and sustainable packaging supply chain are rapidly rising. At Interpack 2026, Schütz will be presenting CircularOne, a unique, comprehensive circular service which, unlike previous solutions on the market, bundles all services into a single service: return, reconditioning, recycling and the supply of industrial packaging are integrated into individual circular systems, offering genuine efficiency with “one-stop convenience” and maximum planning and supply security.

Enterprises that manage global supply chains face a wide range of challenges. New legal requirements, such as the EU Packaging Regulation (PPWR), the need for greater resource efficiency, and the increasing complexity of these worldwide chains are constantly putting pressure on costs, quality and compliance. There is a genuine need for solutions that meet economic, environmental and regulatory requirements in equal measure. Schütz has been pursuing this approach since the 1970s. With CircularOne, this circular strategy, which has evolved over many years, is now being developed into an integrated system solution.

The start of the circle: a collection service for all packaging types

The Schütz Ticket Service offers a easy, centralised entry point into the material cycle. Alongside the global standard – the collection and reconditioning of emptied IBCs, in an increasing number of countries customers can now also return steel and plastic drums and jerrycans. This enables them to organise the collection of all their empty industrial packaging with a single collection order. Schütz is continuously expanding its global network through the integration of leading local reconditioners, initially across Europe, with other continents to follow.

State-of-the-art reconditioning & recycling

For the subsequent treatment of the returned packaging, Schütz applies the best state-of-the-art processes depending on the type of packaging – ranging from IBC rebottling and professional washing processes to the complete reconditioning of steel drums, including recoating. Plastic packaging and components that cannot be reused are sent to advanced recycling centres. Here they are processed to make top-quality HDPE recyclate, which is used, for example, as regranulate for Schütz’s resource-saving Green Layer packaging.

Customised circular models for every supply chain

CircularOne brings together every step of the process, from return logistics to high-quality recycling. To ensure these services can be easily integrated into individual supply chains, Schütz offers two customised circular models.

The Schütz Open Loop Service provides a smart balance between packaging returns and packaging requirements. Empty packaging often differs in type and specification from the customer's current requirements and is only of limited suitability for direct reuse within the circular system. The solution: Schütz transforms these heterogeneous return flows into a customised, homogeneous delivery and packaging portfolio using state-of-the-art reconditioning and recycling processes. Customers receive guaranteed deliveries of reconditioned packaging or new packaging containing recycled material (Green Layer). Through individually agreed annual quotas with defined supply security based on service agreements, companies reduce their supply risk and benefit from a high degree of planning and supply reliability.

The Schütz Closed Loop Service focuses on preserving the value of the customer's packaging inventory. This service model offers efficient return and reconditioning of the customer's packaging portfolio for reuse in a closed loop. This service is designed for companies with regularly occurring, large, and homogeneous volumes of packaging that can be handled in full truckloads. In this model, the customer retains ownership, while Schütz, as the loop partner, provides all services – from logistics and professional reconditioning to transparent full documentation. Customers then receive the same amount of the same types of reconditioned packaging back. Packaging that is unsuitable for reconditioning can be replaced with new or alternative reconditioned packaging on request.

Main website for easy processing

To make packaging management as efficient as possible, Schütz has consolidated all its services on the new platform www.schuetz-ticket-service.net. Through this web portal, customers have direct access to the full range of CircularOne services and can order collections, circular economy services, or deliveries dynamically and based on location with just a few clicks.

With CircularOne, Schütz is again demonstrating its technological leadership. By seamlessly integrating return, reconditioning, recycling, and smart supply into a one-stop service, Schütz reduces complexity for its customers and helps them achieve their economic and environmental goals.

Visitors to Interpack can discover more about CircularOne by Schütz at Stand D22 and E34 in Halle 10.

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Caption: Everything from a single source: With its new CircularOne platform, Schütz is expanding its global service portfolio and creating efficient material cycles for all essential industrial packaging – from IBCs to drums to jerrycans.

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Caption: With CircularOne, Schütz combines return, reconditioning, recycling and the supply of industrial packaging into a single integrated system. The established Schütz Ticket Service provides an easy way to join this global material cycle.

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About Schütz

Schütz GmbH & Co. KGaA is a leading international producer of high-quality transport packaging (Intermediate Bulk Containers, PE and steel drums, and jerrycans). The Group's headquarters are in Selters, Germany. Founded in 1958, SCHÜTZ employs more than 8000 people at over 80 production and service sites around the world. The four SCHÜTZ business units, ENERGY SYSTEMS, PACKAGING SYSTEMS, INDUSTRIAL SERVICES and COMPOSITES, each hold leading positions in their respective markets. The Group's turnover in 2025 was 2.5 billion euros. The company offers its customers a fully recyclable range of products and services. In line with its sustainability philosophy, SCHÜTZ TICKET SERVICE operates a closed loop system that ensures the fast collection and reconditioning of empty industrial packaging in all major industrial nations around the world.

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