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Green Layer packaging by Schütz: In use since 2024, proven millions of times

At Interpack 2026, under the motto “Circular Economy meets Technology”, Schütz will be showcasing packaging solutions that combine technological excellence with consistent recyclability. From large to small volumes, all packaging is also available in the sustainable Green Layer version. From IBCs and plastic drums to jerrycans, the packaging combines high technical performance with a defined content of recycled material – and without compromising on quality and safety.

Industrial packaging must protect the product and ensure safety during transport while also meeting growing demands for resource efficiency and recyclability. With its Green Layer technology, Schütz offers packaging that combines all these product features. Following IBC inner bottles and PE drums, the company now also offers jerrycans in the Green Layer version, giving customers the option of lower-emission products across all key packaging formats.

The basis for this solution is a multi-layer extrusion process that is used to manufacture all of the company's packaging with at least three layers as standard. The drums, jerrycans and IBC inner bottles in the Green Layer variant consist of 30% recycled material, which is incorporated exclusively into the middle layer of the container. Thanks to this construction, Green Layer packaging significantly reduces CO₂ emissions. Since the contents and the environment come into contact only with virgin material, they meet the same quality and safety standards as series without recycled content and can be used for hazardous goods. The 3-layer production process also provides the technical foundation to further increase the recycled content in future with minimal adjustments. As a result, the packaging is already equipped to meet the requirements of the European Packaging and Packaging Waste Regulation (PPWR), which mandates a minimum of 35% post-consumer recycled content for the majority of plastic packaging starting 1 January 2030.

Circular thinking meets technical expertise

For Schütz, sustainability is a guiding principle that extends from product design all the way through to material recycling. For its Green Layer products, the packaging specialist exclusively uses in-house-produced reggranulate derived from packaging returned through its global collection programme and processed at its recycling centres. With the Schütz Ticket

Service, used packaging is returned to a closed-loop material cycle. The company established the necessary infrastructure at an early point and ensures low-carbon logistics through short transport routes and software-supported route optimisation.

In its Green Layer product series, Schütz combines recyclability with technical performance. This technology plays an integral role in the packaging specialist's Green Lifecycle Management which helps companies to improve their carbon footprint. The introduction of jerrycans containing a proportion of recycled material sees the next stage in this approach, offering an even broader range of sustainable packaging solutions. At Interpack, Schütz will be demonstrating how this portfolio expansion boosts user efficiency and paves the way for lower-emission packaging systems at Stands D22 and E34 in Hall 10.

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Caption: The IBC inner bottles, drum bodies, and jerrycans in Schütz's Green Layer series are made from 30% high-quality, natural-coloured recycled material recovered through the company's global collection programme.

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Caption: For its Green Layer products, Schütz uses only regranulate produced in-house, made from packaging collected as part of its global collection programme and processed at its recycling centres.

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Caption: The 3-layer production system allows the proportion of recycled material to be increased in future with minimal adjustments. As a result, the packaging is already compliant with the requirements of the European Packaging and Packaging Waste Regulation (PPWR), which from 1 January 2030 will require a minimum of 35% post-consumer recycled content for the majority of plastic packaging.

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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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