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Part 2:

Packaging and the environment terms

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- *Part 1: General terms*
- *Part 2: Packaging and the environment terms*

Introduction

In order to implement the “Packaging and the environment” series of International Standards, all those involved in the packaging chain including economic operators, public and local authorities and consumers will be dealing with many terms related to packaging and in particular to used packaging.

Some of the definitions in that series of International Standards are self-supporting but some make reference to other standards.

In order to facilitate a good understanding of the International Standards in the field of packaging and the environment, this part of ISO 21067 aims to provide a complete glossary of the terms defined in that series of International Standards, providing, where appropriate, additional notes to make these definitions understandable without reference to other documents.

The following principles are used as a basis:

- no preference is implied between the different methods of recovery;
- no preference is implied between different packaging materials.

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1 Scope

This part of ISO 21067 defines terms used in the field of packaging and the environment. It does not include terminology already covered by ISO 21067-1 or other International Standards such as ISO 14050.

2 Terms and definitions

2.1 Basic and general terms

2.1.1

packaging component

part of packaging that can be separated by hand or by using simple physical means

[SOURCE: ISO 18601:2013, 3.11]

2.1.2

packaging constituent

part from which packaging or its components are made and which cannot be separated by hand or by using simple physical means

[SOURCE: ISO 18601:2013, 3.12]

2.1.3

packaging waste

packaging that has been used by the final consumer or end user and which is discarded for final disposal and is not intended for reuse or recovery

[SOURCE: ISO 18601:2013, 3.15]

2.1.4

used packaging

packaging that has been used by the final consumer or end user and which is destined for reuse or recovery

[SOURCE: ISO 18601:2013, 3.24]

2.1.5

recyclable

characteristic of a product, packaging or associated component that can be diverted from the waste stream through available processes and programmes and can be collected, processed and returned to use in the form of raw materials or products

[SOURCE: ISO 18604:2013, 3.6]