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OFFICIAL STATEMENT of the Gütegemeinschaft Abfall- und Wertstoffbehälter e.V. (GGAWB) Regarding the Unauthorized Use of RAL-GZ 951/1 by NASK PLASTIC INDUSTRIES (New industrial Area zone: 81, Street: 4, Building: 187 Doha - Qatar) and the RAL-GZ 951/1 Quality Assurance System

The Gütegemeinschaft Abfall- und Wertstoffbehälter e.V. ("GGAWB") — Quality Association for Waste and Recyclable Material Containers — hereby issues the following official statement.

On the unauthorized use of RAL-GZ 951/1 by NASK PLASTIC INDUSTRIES

Nask Plastic Industries is not authorized to use the RAL-GZ 951/1 Quality Mark and has not acquired it at any time. Test certificates issued by technical inspection associations do not meet the requirements of RAL-GZ 951/1 and are not equivalent to RAL-GZ 951/1.

The RAL-GZ 951/1 Quality Mark is certified and awarded exclusively by the Gütegemeinschaft Abfall- und Wertstoffbehälter e.V. (GGAWB). GGAWB is a registered association operating as a neutral body without commercial interests, whose purpose is the development, continuous improvement, and monitoring of uniform quality standards for waste and recyclable material containers. The association is financed exclusively through membership fees.

All currently authorized Quality Mark users are publicly listed on the GGAWB website.



We invite contracting authorities and procurement bodies to verify the authenticity of any GGAWB certificates provided by suppliers directly at: www.ggawb.de

On the openness and accessibility of the RAL-GZ 951/1 quality assurance system

Claims have been made suggesting that access to RAL-GZ 951/1 certification is effectively restricted, that the certificate is issued exclusively to GGAWB members, and that it is therefore objectively impossible for NASK PLASTIC INDUSTRIES to obtain it. GGAWB cannot confirm any of these statements.

The RAL-GZ 951/1 quality assurance system is fundamentally open to all manufacturers and organizations that are willing to accept the requirements of the Quality and Test Regulations and associated regulatory framework, and that successfully complete the required inspections, audits, and ongoing internal and external monitoring procedures. The requirements are publicly available and apply equally to all applicants. Participation is not restricted to a selected, exclusive, or closed group of companies.

Importantly, **membership in GGAWB is not a prerequisite** for obtaining the right to use the RAL-GZ 951/1 Quality Mark. The decisive criteria for the award of the Quality Mark are exclusively compliance with the applicable requirements and successful demonstration of the required quality assurance measures. Neither the ownership structure of a company, its nationality, its market position, nor any existing business relationships constitute criteria for the award or denial of the Quality Mark. In principle, any company may apply to participate in the quality assurance system, and assessment is carried out on the basis of objective criteria, documented evidence, technical testing, audits, and the prescribed monitoring procedures.

As a matter of principle, GGAWB does not disclose information regarding applications, audit procedures, assessments, or any other internal association-related processes concerning individual companies to third parties.



On the nature of RAL-GZ 951/1 and its distinction from product testing certificates

From GGAWB's experience, the requirement "RAL-GZ 951/1 or equivalent" is frequently used in public procurement procedures without the full scope of the current quality assurance system being known in detail. It is important to clarify that RAL-GZ 951/1 is not a product test certificate. It is a comprehensive quality assurance scheme that combines technical product requirements with requirements relating to organization, quality management, sustainability, and continuous internal and external monitoring.

The current quality assurance system is based on a comprehensive regulatory framework consisting of: Quality and Test Regulations, Appendix to the Quality Assurance Scheme (introduced in 2023), Implementation Regulations, Articles of Association, Quality Mark Statutes, and Compliance Rules. Technical product testing constitutes only one component of this overall system. Technical external monitoring is carried out by independent testing institutes, and auditing of the 2023 Appendix requirements is performed by independent auditing organizations.

With the introduction of the Appendix in 2023, the scope of the quality assurance system was significantly expanded. In addition to technical product characteristics, it now includes requirements relating to quality management, employee qualification, complaint management, documentation systems, sustainability, environmental aspects, occupational health and safety, social standards, and organizational business processes.

An essential feature of the system is the combination of internal and external monitoring. The objective is not merely to demonstrate that a product meets certain requirements at a specific point in time, but to ensure that a manufacturer is permanently capable of producing products of consistent quality while continuously maintaining the necessary organizational, technical, environmental, and sustainability-related requirements. A comparison prepared in 2023 between the requirements of EN 840 and RAL-GZ 951/1 further demonstrates that the quality assurance system includes numerous requirements that go beyond the minimum requirements of EN 840.



A test certificate issued by a technical inspection body — regardless of the issuing organization — tests a product at a given point in time. It does not constitute, replicate, or substitute the ongoing, multi-dimensional quality assurance system that RAL-GZ 951/1 represents.

The above explanations are provided solely for the purpose of describing and explaining the RAL-GZ 951/1 quality assurance system and clarifying the unauthorized use of the Quality Mark by NASK PLASTIC INDUSTRIES. Any decision regarding the acceptance or equivalence of a submitted certificate or other evidence remains the responsibility of the contracting authority, taking into account the procurement documents and the evidence submitted.

Kind regards

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