## **Environmental Declaration ISO 14025**







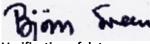


Figure 1

# Environmental Indicators. From raw material extraction to HÅG's factory gate:

Global warming: 61 kg CO₂.equ. Energy consumption: 1127 MJ Amount of recycled materials: 37 % Guarantee period: 10 yr NEPD nr: 036E

Approved according to ISO14025, \$8.1.4



Valid until: 14 .05.2011

#### Verification of data:

Independent verification of data and other environmental information has been carried out by Senior Research Scientist Mie Vold in accordance with ISO14025, \$8.1.3.

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Product Category Rules for seating solution (Seating, 2005). PCR approved by the Norwegian EPD Foundation's verification committee.

#### **About EPD:**

PCR:

EPDs from other program operators than the Norwegian EPD Foundation may not be comparable.

### Information about the producer:

HÅG asa

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Org.nr.: NO-928902749

ISO 14001 certified by Dovre Sertifisering (NO-S-0000016).

HÅG's Environmental Management System includes procedures for collection of LCA data and EPD development.

Information about the product: Office Chair

Functional unit: Sitting solution, produced and maintained for 15 years.

Scope of assessment: This environmental declaration covers the product's life cycle from raw material extraction

until the finished seating solution, incl. use & maintenance. The user phase is represented

by a use scenario in Southern Germany. A scenario for disposal is presented.

Year of study: 2007

Data: Specific data: 2006, Specific database data: Late 1990s to 2006. (See Figure 5)

Expected market area: Europe & U.S.A.

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## Product Specification Table 1

	Mass kg/seating solution	Share %	% included in the analysis	% from suppliers with a certified Environmental Management System*	1 % of components	System boundaries (see the last page for more information)	Hazardous content	
Steel	9,2	40 %				A-G	The sitting solution meets the following	
Aluminium	4,7	20 %				A-G	minimum emissions requirements in the Greenguards certification:	
Other metals	0,13	0,5 %				A-G	Formaldehyde: < 0.025 ppm (< 0.03	
PUR	1,3	5,5 %				A-G	mg/m³) (Greenguard certificate).	
Plastic	3,8	16 %				A-G	It has not been possible to obtain data	
Wood	0,003	0,01 %				A-G	on the content of brominated flame	
Textiles	0,31	1,3 %				A-G	retardents & heavy metals. These	
Cardboard	2,4	10 %				A-G	chemicals have not been detected in HÅGs production.	
Diverse	1,3	5,7 %				A-G	mas production.	
Total	23,2	100 %	99,0 %	63,8 %	0,02 %			

<sup>\*</sup> In % of analysed mass, input to the assembly department at HÅG

## **Resource Consumption**

Material resources

Table 2

Material resources		Unit	Raw materials production & processing	Transport of components to HÅG	Processing & assembly at HÅG	User phase	Total	Comments
Recycled,	Recycled paper/cardboard	kg/seating solution	0,60			0,02	0,61	
renewable resources	Recycled textiles	kg/seating solution	0,072			0,07	0,14	
New, renewable resources	Water	kg/seating solution	2 381	0,9	0,16	133	2 515	Including process & cooling water. Not including turbine water.
resources	Biomass as a raw material	kg/seating solution	1,1	1,2E-04	1,4E-05	0,010	1,1	
Doguelad	Recycled steel	kg/seating solution	4,1				4,1	
Recycled, non-renewable	recycled aluminium	kg/seating solution	3,6				3,6	
resources	recycled copper	kg/seating solution	6,0E-04				6,0E-04	
	recycled plastic	kg/seating solution	0,35			0,016	0,35	
	Iron	kg/seating solution	7,9	1,4,E-03	3,5E-03	4,1E-03	7,9	
	Bauxite	kg/seating solution	1,4	2,6,E-06	4,7E-04	1,2E-03	1,4	
Ma	Limestone	kg/seating solution	2,8	1,7,E-03	5,3E-03	0,024	2,8	
New, non- renewable	Minerals, sand & stone	kg/seating solution	7,9	6,0,E-03	7,3E-04	0,053	8,0	
resources	Copper (in ore)	kg/seating solution	9,4E-03	2,8E-06	2,0E-05	3,6E-04	9,8E-03	
	Coal as a raw material	kg/seating solution	4,9E-03		8,5E-04	2,8E-04	6,0E-03	
	Oil as a raw material	kg/seating solution	3,3		8,8E-05	2,1E-03	3,3	
	Natural gas, raw material	kg/seating solution	1,3		2,0E-06	1,6E-03	1,3	
Unspecified		kg/seating solution						Water is not included in this calculation in
onspecified		%					2,9 %	order to make it more precise.
Total		kg/seating solution					35,6	All resources except for air and water.

### Land use and water resources

Land use has not been quantified. Water consumption is included in Table 2.

### **Energy resources**

Figure 2.
Percent energy carrier distribution, in total and for each life cycle phase.

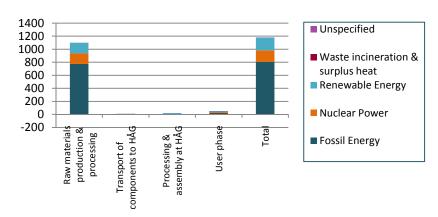


Table 3: Energy consumption specified for the different energy carriers and life cycle stages

Energy resources		Unit	Raw materials production & processing	Transport of components to HÅG	Processing & assembly at HÅG	User phase	Disposal	Total	Comments
	Coal	kg/seating solution	299	0,13	0,044	8,6		308	Including lignite
	Oil	kg/seating solution	208	8,9	0,36	6,8		224	
Fossil Energy	Natural gas	kg/seating solution	261	0,14	0,015	7,8		269	
	Peat	kg/seating solution	5,1	-	2,3E-03	0,8	See "Treatment of waste from the final product"	6,0	
	Sulphur	kg/seating solution	0,15	1,2E-07	1,2E-07	2,7E-04		0,15	
Nuclear Power		kg/seating solution	162	0,16	0,039	15		177	
	Biomass	kg/seating solution	53	3,7E-03	0,011	4,0		57	
	Hydro power	kg/seating solution	102	0,10	21	7,4		130	
Renewable Energy	Wind power	kg/seating solution	7,6	-	2,9E-03	1,1		8,7	
	Solar power	kg/seating solution	0,014	-	1,0E-06	1,3E-03		0,015	
	Geothermal energy	kg/seating solution	0,16	-	-	4,3E-07		0,16	
Diverse	Waste incineration & surplus heat	kg/seating solution	-3,4	-	-	0,60		-2,8	
Unspecified		kg/seating solution	2,2	-	7,6E-03	0,38		2,6	Including any use of energy with hydrogen as the energy carrier
Total		kg/seating solution	1 097	9,5	21	53		1 180	

The consumption is calculated based on the NordPool el. mix in the nordic countries (except if the companies buy certified renewable electricity).

## **Emissions and Environmental Impacts**

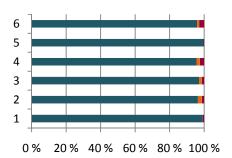
### Environmental Impacts Table 4

	Indicator	Unit	To the factory gate	User phase
1	Global warming potential, 100 yrs	kg CO2 equ./seating solution	61	1,8
2	Ozone depletion potential	kg CFC-11 equ./seating solution	5,6E-05	1,9E-07
3	Acidification potential	kg SO2 equ./seating solution	0,27	6,6E-03
4	Fotochemical oxidation potential	kg ethene equ./seating solution	0,054	7,0E-04
5	Eutrophication potential	kg phosphate equ./seating solution	0,042	5,6E-04
6	Heavy metals, El 95	kg Pb equ./seating solution	1,1E-03	8,3E-06

Raw materials production & processing
 Transport of components to HÅG
 Processing & assembly at HÅG
 User phase

Percent distribution of environmental impact for each life cycle phase

Figure 3



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Emission		Unit	Raw materials production & processing	Transport of components to HÅG	Processing & assembly at HÅG	User phase	Disposal	Total	Comments
	CO2 (fossil)	kg/seating solution	51,7	0,69	3,7E-02	1,7		54	
	CH4	kg/seating solution	0,21	1,1E-04	3,4E-05	3,3E-03		0,21	
	N2O	kg/seating solution	1,5E-03	1,4E-03	7,9E-06	6,0E-07		1,5E-03	
Emissions	NOx	kg/seating solution	0,125	7,3E-03	2,1E-04	3,0E-03		0,136	
to air	SOx	kg/seating solution	0,162	1,5E-03	5,1E-05	4,2E-03		0,167	
	voc	kg/seating solution	2,0E-02	1,3E-03	1,7E-05	6,5E-04		0,022	
	со	kg/seating solution	0,389	2,8E-03	1,0E-04	1,1E-03	See "Treatment of waste from the final product"	0,393	
	Dioxin	kg/seating solution	7,3E-11	3,3E-14	2,1E-14	2,5E-12		7,5E-11	
	Water to waste treatment	kg/seating solution	30,63	-	0,02	0,019		30,672	
	COD	kg/seating solution	0,217	2,1E-01	3,7E-04	2,7E-05		2,2E-01	
enterten.	Tot-N	kg/seating solution	3,2E-03	4,9E-07	2,0E-07	9,4E-06		3,3E-03	
Emissions to water	Tot-P	kg/seating solution	2,0E-03	1,9E-08	3,1E-09	6,1E-08		2,0E-03	
to mater	Dioxin	kg/seating solution	2,1E-11	-	-	6,8E-20		2,1E-11	
	Phosphate	kg/seating solution	4,3E-03	3,6E-07	4,2E-07	4,2E-06		4,3E-03	
	Nitrate	kg/seating solution	0,011	6,7E-07	3,0E-07	1,4E-05		0,011	
	waste to material recycling	kg/seating solution	1,15	-	0,28	0,032	5	1,46	Including reuse
Waste	waste to energy recovery	kg/seating solution	0,28	-	0,25	0,026		0,55	
	waste to incineration	kg/seating solution	0,046	-	-	2,7E-06		0,046	Without energy recovery
	waste to landfill	kg/seating solution	4,35	-	3,5E-04	5,7E-02		4,41	
	Hazardous waste	kg/seating solution	0,60	4,0E-05	4,5E-03	3,6E-03		0,61	Including radioactive waste and slag/ashes.
	Other waste	kg/seating solution	0,80	4,3E-03	2,0E-03	3,8E-03		0,81	Unspecified waste

<sup>&</sup>quot;Processing and assembly at HÅG" also includes emissions from production of the energy that is used in HÅG's production.

## **Additional Information**

The Environmental Declaration has been compiled based on the Product Category Rules (PCR) for the product category seating solutions (2005). This declaration fulfills the requirements in the relevant product category rules.

In accordance with the PCR the furniture's lifetime is assumed to be 15 years. However this furniture will normally have a longer technical lifetime. HÅG gives a 10 year guarantee for all of their seating solutions used for up to 8 hours per day.

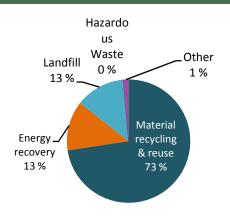
HÅG is committed to environmental protection being an important part of its operations, with focus on the entire value chain of their products. HÅG is ISO 14001 certified and EMAS registered and has Greenguard Indoor Air Quality Certification® under the Greenguard Standard for Low Emitting Products for a number of their seating solutions.

HÅG wants to use recycled and recyclable materials in all of their products and makes conscious choices regarding materials and their content. HÅG endeavours not to use PVC or chromium in new products.

HÅG takes back old office chairs, regardless of brand, with the purchase of new seating solutions. The "Take back" system is also meant to ensure that no HÅG chairs end up on a landfill.

The chair is constructed for a long life, as the mechanical parts and textile cover can easily be changed. The chair is designed such that it can easily be dismantled into pure material fractions for recycling. All of the large plastic parts are marked in accordance with ISO 11469.

## Treatment Of Waste From The Final Product



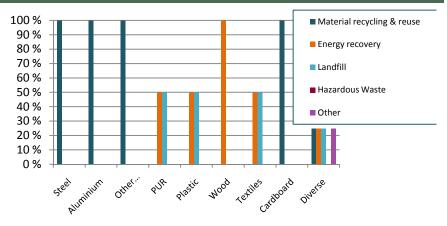


Figure 4: Probable waste treatment for HÅG H05 5300

HÅG focuses on designs that make dismantling and recycling easier, by using the minimum amount of glue and embedding in its products.

It is currently assumed that the plastic materials go to energy recovery and landfill. None of the components can be viewed as hazardous waste.

## Figure 5: Probable waste treatment for materials in a seating solution

The seating solution has a technical lifetime that exceeds the maintenance period of the functional unit (15 years). Most of the chairs are therefore reused by new owners. When the seating solution finally ends up in the Norwegian waste system, the construction is dismantled and the various materials are separated.

Given the Norwegian waste system, 73% of the materials are recycled and reused, while the share of recyclable materials in the seating solution is 98%.

## Methodological Decisions

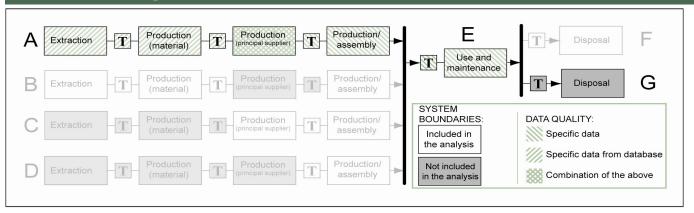


Figure 5: System boundaries and data quality.

#### Allocation rules:

- Where virgin materials are used, emissions and energy consumption connected with extraction and production are included.
- Where recycled materials are used in the product, emissions and energy consumption related to the recycling process are included.
- Emissions from incineration are allocated to the product system that uses the recovered energy.
- Emissions from incineration of waste without energy recovery are allocated to the production system where the waste arises.
- For suppliers with multi-output processes the allocation is based on the mass balance, as this information has been consistently available from suppliers.

### Energy:

• All emissions and consumption of resources related to the production of

energy carriers used are included. Literature data has been used for this.

 The electricity consumed is assumed to be from the Nordpool mix in the Nordic countries, except for the companies that buy certified renewable electricity.

### System boundaries:

See Figure 5 and Table 1. Transport upstream is included in "Production (material)".

#### Use:

The use phase is represented by a scenario for use in Southern Germany. Transport to the customer, vacuum cleaning of the textiles every other year and a textile change once in the maintenance period are included. Washing the metal and plastic is not included. The PCR does not provide detailed guidelines for what should be included in the use phase. The assumptions made are based on experience from office-based companies.

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