

## Purpose

Water is a fundamental resource essential for life and economic activity, yet it faces increasing pressure due to climate change, pollution, and overuse. This policy establishes the commitment of Jungbunzlauer to sustainable management of water resources, ensuring that our operations contribute to water conservation, pollution reduction, and efficient water use. It aligns with the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), particularly SDG 6 (clean water and sanitation), which calls for sustainable water use and improved water quality. Additionally, we recognise the connections between water stewardship and SDG 12 (responsible consumption and production), SDG 13 (climate action), SDG 14 (life below water) and SDG 15 (life on land).

## Scope

This policy applies to everyone engaged or employed by any company of the Jungbunzlauer Group, and extends to collaboration with external stakeholders.

## Commitments

Jungbunzlauer is committed to water stewardship and aims to integrate sustainable water use throughout its business operations. This includes:

- Reducing water consumption by improving efficiency in production processes.
- Ensuring continually compliant wastewater management to minimise pollution and protect ecosystems.
- Collaborating with suppliers to promote sustainable water use in agriculture and production.
- Investing in innovation and research to develop water-efficient technologies and processes.
- Ensuring accountability and transparency through close monitoring and public reporting.
- Raising awareness and providing training to employees and suppliers on responsible water management.

## Initiatives

### 1. Sustainable water use in production

Jungbunzlauer prioritises reducing water consumption and improving water efficiency within its production facilities. We implement advanced water recycling systems, compliant and efficient wastewater treatment systems, and process optimisation to achieve water savings while maintaining high product safety and quality.

### 2. Wastewater treatment at production sites

We implement site-specific measures to protect local water ecosystems. This includes reducing wastewater volumes and treating process water in state-of-the-art on-site wastewater treatment plants to return properly treated water to the environment.

### 3. Sustainable water use in agriculture

Agriculture is a major component of our supply chain, and we aim to support farmers actively in adopting soil management practices that improve water retention, and, where irrigation is needed, water-efficient irrigation techniques.

### 4. Monitoring and reporting

We ensure accountability by setting annual performance targets for water and wastewater and monitoring related KPIs at the appropriate frequency to track progress, identify challenges, and make improvements. We are committed to transparency in water-related reporting to environmental authorities and other stakeholders.

### 5. Awareness and training

We ensure that our employees are aware of sustainable water management measures by providing training and information material.

## Risks and opportunities

Water scarcity, pollution, and regulatory changes pose risks to business operations. However, adopting sustainable water practices presents opportunities, including cost savings, improved brand reputation, and resilience to climate change impacts. By prioritising water stewardship, we mitigate risks while contributing to environmental sustainability.

## Objectives and targets by 2030

- Implement further water efficiency and recycling projects in our production sites to reduce water withdrawal.
- Establish partnerships for water stewardship in agriculture.
- Provide training for 100% of our employees on sustainable water management.

## Responsibilities and review

This policy has been approved by the Executive Committee of the Jungbunzlauer Group and is subject to a regular review at least every two years.

## Reference

This policy should be read in conjunction with the following documents of the Jungbunzlauer Group:

- Code of Conduct