

PPWR information for Users of Wooden Pallets from Åsljunga Pallen AB

EU Declaration of Conformity pursuant to Regulation (EU) 2025/40 – PPWR. Information for customers and users of wooden pallets.

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1. Bakgrund

On 12 August 2026, the application of the European Packaging and Packaging Waste Regulation, Regulation (EU) 2025/40, commonly referred to as PPWR, will begin.

The PPWR introduces new requirements for packaging, packaging manufacturers, suppliers and users of packaging within the European Union.

Wooden pallets are normally considered transport packaging and are therefore within the scope of the PPWR. This means that wooden pallets may also need to be covered by relevant documentation demonstrating compliance with applicable requirements under the regulation.

Åsljunga Pallen AB would therefore like to inform customers and users of our wooden pallets about how we are working with PPWR compliance and how our documentation may be used in dialogue with customers, auditors and other contractual partners.

2. Requirements relevant to wooden pallets

From 12 August 2026, it will become increasingly important to demonstrate that packaging placed on the EU market complies with applicable requirements under the PPWR.

For pallets and other packaging, this means in particular that:

- The packaging must comply with applicable PPWR requirements, including requirements relating to materials, substances, recyclability, reuse, minimization and information.
- The manufacturer must be able to support compliance through technical documentation.
- An EU Declaration of Conformity, also referred to as a DoC, must be available for the relevant packaging or packaging product family.

However, not all provisions of the PPWR will apply from 12 August 2026. Certain requirements, such as specific recyclability classification and reuse-targets, will apply at later dates or depend on future implementing acts, delegated acts, harmonized standards or guidance.

3. Åsljunga Pallen AB's work with PPWR

Åsljunga Pallen AB is working to ensure that our wooden pallets / product families are covered by relevant PPWR documentation.

For relevant products /product families, Åsljunga Pallen AB is preparing:

- Product / Product-family-based EU Declarations of Conformity
- Technical documentation.
- Material and substances assessments.
- Recyclability assessments.
- Reuse and repairability assessments.
- Traceability and marking assessments.
- Documentation of any exclusions, deviations or special product variants.

Our general assessment is that standard wooden pallets / standard sizes of wooden pallets from Åsljunga Pallen AB which consists of wood with metal fasteners, have strong potential to meet the circularity objectives of the PPWR, as they are normally:

- Reusable.
- Repairable.
- Suitable for material recycling at end of life.
- Already used in established return, reuse and repair systems.

4. EU Declaration of Conformity - DoC

The DoC is a formal declaration stating that relevant product / product family complies with applicable requirements under the PPWR, based on the technical documentation held by Åsljunga Pallen AB.

Documents in the technical documentation may contain directly business-sensitive information. Åsljunga Pallen AB reserves the right not to share information that is directly considered business-sensitive with the buyer. Åsljunga Pallen AB stores all technical documentation according to the regulation's requirements to be able to present it in case of an inspection by the responsible authority.

Åsljunga Pallen AB's DoC is intended to be product / product-family based. This means that one DoC may cover several article numbers or variants, provided that they share the same essential:

- Material composition.
- Construction principle.
- Function
- Intended use.
- Reuse and repair logic.

If a product differs significantly, for example due to special surface treatment, different construction, different materials or specific use conditions, a separate assessment and separate documentation may be required.

5. How customers may use the documentation

Customers and users of wooden pallets supplied by Åsljunga Pallen AB may use our DoC and relevant PPWR information as supporting documentation to demonstrate that the pallets used in their operations have been assessed under the applicable PPWR framework.

The documentation may be used, for example, in connection with:

- Customer audits.
- Supplier assessments.
- Internal compliance reviews.
- Sustainability reporting.
- Dialogue with customers and contractual partners.
- Documentation of transport packaging used in the customer's own operations.

6. Reuse and repair

Wooden pallets are an established circular transport packaging solution. They are designed to be used multiple times, repaired and returned to the market unless otherwise specified in the available documentation.

Åsljunga Pallen AB regards reuse and repair as central elements of the environmental performance of wooden pallets and as important aspects of PPWR compliance.

7. Materials and substances

Wooden packaging from Åsljunga Pallen AB normally consist of wood and metal fasteners. In the standard operation, no PFAS-based surface treatments, barrier layers, or functional coatings are allowed.

For wooden packaging made of untreated or heat-treated wood, the risk of PFAS presence is therefore assessed as low.

Åsljunga Pallen AB manages these matters through risk-based assessment, supplier information and, where necessary, additional documentation.

8. Note on the application of PPWR

The PPWR will be implemented in stages.

Although the regulation will generally apply from 12 August 2026, certain requirements will apply later, and some details will be further clarified through EU implementing acts, delegating acts, harmonized standards and guidance.

Åsljunga Pallen is monitoring these developments and will update its documentation and customer information when necessary.

9. Availability of DoC and contact

EU Declarations of Conformity for relevant product families will be made available by Åsljunga Pallen AB where applicable.

For questions regarding PPWR, EU Declarations of Conformity or technical documentation, please contact your representative from Åsljunga Pallen AB.

Åsljunga Pallen AB is actively working to ensure that our wooden pallets remain a sustainable, reusable and well-documented transport packaging solution within the European Union.

Through product /product-family-based EU Declarations of Conformity, technical documentation and documented assessments, we aim to make it easier for our customers to demonstrate that wooden pallets they use have been assessed under the PPWR and are suitable for circular transport flows.

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