



Environmental Goals

of the Technical Development department of the Volkswagen brand

To attain the highest possible environmental goals, the Technical Development department is intensifying the continuous improvement of Volkswagen products in respect of environmental compatibility and resource conservation. Our activities and processes are designed for sustainability and to ease the load on the environment. In this way we aim to live up to our responsibilities towards our customers, society and the environment.

In line with this approach, we have derived the following goals:

1. Climate protection

- reduce greenhouse gas emissions
- reduce fuel consumption in the driving cycle and over the vehicle's service life with the customer
- be fuel-efficiency leader in each class of vehicle
- support fuel-efficient styles of driving
- contribute to/assess eco-compatible traffic management measures

2. Resource conservation

- improve resource efficiency
- pursue best possible recyclability and identification of the materials used
- use renewable and secondary raw materials
- develop and make available alternative powertrain technologies
- enable the use of alternative fuels

3. Healthcare

- reduce regulated and non-regulated emissions
- avoid the use of hazardous and harmful materials
- minimise interior emissions including odours
- attain best possible exterior and interior noise levels

In future, we will develop each model in such a way that, in its entirety, it presents better environmental properties than its predecessor. As we do so, we will always make sure that the entire life cycle is taken into account during the development of our products.

The environmental goals set out above also serve to differentiate us from the competition to the benefit of our customers.

In addition, we aim to place selected models in various environmental rankings.

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