Category	Logistical requirements
Protection, stability and stackability	Firmly enclose the consumer unit to prevent it from being removed or falling out when the packaging is closed
	Stable and kink-resistant edges for sufficient stability during the entire logistics process
	Stability in relation to the total weight (must also be guaranteed in the event of moisture, e.g. for products requiring refrigeration)
	Easy-to-grip packaging (e.g. with openings that enable lifting and carrying)
	Stackable packaging, preferably without stacking lugs
Bonding and perforation	Sufficient bonding to withstand tensile and compressive forces in the depalletizing and order picking process of conveyor technology
	Bonding must not be too strong to ensure smooth disposal on the market
	Adhesive must not continue to adhere after opening the secondary packaging
	Existing upper and lower parts must be connected using adhesive points or plug-in connections if weight and breakage sensitivity require this. Lifting and pulling during order picking must be possible without parts coming loose from each other
	Existing perforations must be designed in such a way that they do not open unintentionally during automatic depalletizing and order picking
Weight	Maximum weight of the secondary packaging depends on the specifications of the respective trade association (general traffic concept <= 15 kg)
	Sensible choice of length/width/height ratio (largest area = lying surface)
	The wall height should be at least 1/3 of the product. There must be no cut-outs or perforations within this minimum height.
	If the window cut-out is lower, it must be closed with covers or inserts
	Maximum height/width ratio of 1 : 8
Dimensions	Optimum use of the dimensions of the secondary packaging to avoid instability (no products packed too loosely)
Dimensions	The following basic dimensions (length x width) are permitted for secondary packaging: 1.200 x 800 mm 600 x 400 mm 600 x 200 mm 600 x 100 mm 400 x 300 mm 400 x 150 mm 200 x 200 mm 200 x 150 mm 200 x 150 mm
Base, covers, handles and grips	Sufficient strength properties of the floor to prevent deflection
	The floor should be evenly flat and not too smooth or printed with a high gloss finish. Foiling should be avoided wherever possible
	A cover must be used if the opened packaging has contents that are not stable enough to be stacked on top of it
	Sufficient fixation of the cover (plugging or gluing) to enable the entire secondary packaging to be lifted
	Protruding handles or grips are annoying and cannot be handled automatically. Handles integrated into the packaging or tight-fitting handles are possible

			•
Easy	Easy identification of the product group, brand and design, even for an inexperienced worker		
	Visibility of the product through the packaging or image of the product on the packaging is an advantage	Inadequate labeling - carton contents cannot be determined without opening	Secondary packaging labeled all around - contents can be quickly identified <
Simple identification	The following elements must be placed in the declaration field: -Product name (incl. additives and properties, e.g. "SORTED") -Full name of the food (formerly: sales description) -Quantity (container unit x pack size) -Storage instructions (if necessary, take over from the primary packaging) -NAN + supplier code -Sender -Carton EAN (EAN-13) -Best before date notice (with temperature information if applicable) + best before date imprint	Gouda, grated Gouda, 45% fat in dry matter, 10x200g 1234567 - X1234 Produced by: Example Company Name Example Street 1	when chilled, best used by: 14.09.14 Or see label
	-According to the Food Information Regulation (FIR), the best-before date must be indicated	Made for:	

	Declaration fields must be positioned at least 8 mm and a maximum of 10 mm from the edges Font size of the print should be at least 10pt Declaration fields must be placed on at least two (preferably adjacent) sides of the secondary packaging. (Exception: display side, which remains visible to the customer on the shelf after opening the secondary packaging) Possible hazardous goods labels must be attached to the center of the rear side	REWE Markt GmbH - D-50603 Cologne					
Functional requirements							
If perforations are used, they must be designed in such a way that the front is not damaged (e.g. by fraying), tearing etc.) are excluded							
Easy to open	The following requirements, among others, must be observed: -Visible and easy-to-understand instructions for opening the outer packaging (e.g. using pictograms) -Quick and reliable opening of the secondary packaging with as little effort as possible using just one hand (e.g. using snap-on lids with fixed adhesive points) -Do not open the packaging without tools, otherwise there is a risk of damaging products Secondary packaging can be used as a tray after opening if possible	Open the secondary packaging	Open the secondary packaging in a few				
	-If the use of shrink film is necessary, it should be accompanied by have a predetermined breaking point or perforation	only possilbe with tools	simple steps; easy clear instructions				
Easy shopping	Improving the visibility of the product, brand and variant		Difficult removal of the				
	Easier removal and return of products from and to the tray		top layer leads to damage to the front				
	If individual products have already been sold, the remaining units should remain stable in the tray and still be visible to the consumer. An appealing overall appearance should always be ensured, e.g. by additionally stabilizing the items using self-adhesive inner shelves, plug holes, etc.		Easy removal of the top				
	If a raised bar is used, easy removal by the customer without damaging the outer carton must be ensured regardless of the shelf positioning		layer with simultaneaous Fixation of the goods				
	Negligible information for consumers not on the side facing the consumer		through plug-in holes				
Simple disposal	Use of only one packaging material if possible	Con H	E F				
	If several packaging materials are required, they should be easy to separate (while ensuring smooth logistical handling)		KI				
	Recyclable packaging material, e.g. through recycling or thermal utilization						
	Do not use adhesive tape, staples or similar.	Difficult disposal due to different packaging materials	Secondary packaging - easy to fold				