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COMPANY BV



The **most experienced PET packaging producer** in Europe!



Welcome to Graham Packaging Company BV

Did you know that we are the most experienced PET packaging producer in Europe?

Since 1985, we have been the European leader in the design and manufacture of custom and standard blow-moulded PET containers for food and beverages, personal care and specialty products and for the pharmaceutical and household market.

With our wide range of machines with high cavitation moulds we offer solutions for each packaging challenge.

Being the pioneers in PET packaging our vast experience is a guarantee for high quality products and service. You'll be surprised by our quick response and short delivery times. Not only do we promise this, we will also make this happen.

Out of our plant in Etten-Leur in the Netherlands, we serve over 300 customers which are based in nearly every European country. It is the passion for PET that encourages our team to provide our customers with packaging solutions that bring added value to their products and brands.

This is what we do every year, every day, with pleasure and Passion.



Graham Packaging Company BV today

Graham Packaging Company is part of a group with 87 plants worldwide, of which 15 plants are located in 8 European countries.

With the group's experiences and machinery we are able to satisfy every customer packaging demand, regardless of the complexity of the request.



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www.gpceurope.eu

(Select the PET section
and then choose the
Etten-Leur plant).

To this day, Graham Packaging Company BV remains committed to developing an exceptional range of standard and custom made PET containers releasing new models every year.

Graham Packaging Company BV has grown into a European PET manufacturer with excellent

services, generous size ranges and a selection of high quality PET containers for the food-, pharmaceutical- and cosmetic industry. The containers are produced on an impressive high cavitation machine platform.

The company's philosophy has remained unchanged for more than 25 years: offer the customer the best possible service, selection, quality and value.



About PET

PET, short for Polyethylene Terephthalate, is one of the high end plastics needed for packaging. Obviously PET has a lot going for it, considering its main advantages:

- Unbreakable
- High transparency
- Glossy appearance
- Colours possible
- Lightweight
- Design freedom
- Thin walls, high transport, storage and shelf efficiency
- Recyclable, re-usable

Production Process

At Graham Packaging Company BV we produce PET containers according to the Injection Stretch Blow Moulding or "single-stage" principle:

In the single-stage process the final product is manufactured, from PET granule to container on one single machine. This production method combines the injection moulding process which is used for the manufacture of the preform with the blow moulding process in which the preform is stretched and blown to give the container its final shape.

This means the injection-moulded preform is withdrawn from the injection cavity while still hot enough to be stretch blown.



No extra heating is required, and since preforms are not stocked to be blown at a later stage, but are freshly moulded every time, there is no risk of surface damage or contamination during storage or transportation.

Besides single-stage, Graham Packaging Company BV has much experience with the so called two-stage process. Please contact our staff for more information on this subject.



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Markets We Serve

We design and produce blow-moulded PET containers and bottles for four different market segments, in all of which we occupy a leading position:



Food and Beverage:

Food and Beverage is an important market category. The containers we manufacture help our customers create, market and sustain their brand identities. Furthermore we have been and are still able to play a leading role in the conversion of products packed in other materials, such as glass, into PET.



Personal Care:

Consumers of personal care products care about appearance. The appeal of these products is largely determined by their package. We are a leading supplier of PET containers for hair-, skin- and oral care products.



Household:

In this market functionality and “user friendliness” are very important. The usage of plastics in general and Graham Packaging’s PET in particular has been more and more replacing the traditional paper based packs for detergents.



Pharmaceuticals/Over The Counter (OTC):

The pharmaceutical segment is a world on its own. Like no other, this market is heavily driven by severe quality criteria. With our drive for quality and capability to live up to these high standards, Graham Packaging plays a prominent role in this segment.



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