

# COMMITMENT TO THE REDUCTION OF FOOD WASTE

## **Supermercados Peruanos S.A.**

Supermercados Peruanos S.A. adopted the Commitment to the Reduction of Food Waste, an Appendix to Supermercados Peruanos' Code of Ethics. Approved at Board of Director's Meeting of July 21, 2022

## **APPENDIX TO THE CODE OF ETHICS: COMMITMENT TO THE REDUCTION AND POSSIBLE ELIMINATION OF FOOD WASTE**

### **1. INTRODUCTION**

At Supermercados Peruanos, the reduction and possible elimination of food waste is a significant issue. We have a sustainability strategy, in which one of the priority pillars of action is the reduction of food waste. In addition, we are committed to the Sustainable Development Goals #2 Zero Hunger and #12 Responsible Consumption and Production, specifically with the goals: 2.4; 12.3 and 12.5.

The world produces enough food to feed everyone. Nevertheless, one out of every nine people in the world<sup>1</sup> is currently undernourished; that is, around 815 million people in the world. The average loss and waste in Peru represent 47.6% of the food that the Country has annually<sup>2</sup>.

For this reason, in Supermercados Peruanos we strive to be a responsible and sustainable company that is committed to reducing food waste, making it a business priority.

### **2. SCOPE**

The statements and commitments stated in this document constitute a guideline for all operations and employees of the companies that make up Supermercados Peruanos S.A., Makro, Mass and OSLO and is extensive for suppliers, partners and customers, with whom we join efforts to promote the reduction of food waste.

### **3. PRINCIPLES**

At Supermercados Peruanos, we are committed to reducing and eliminating food waste, in accordance with the following principles and commitments of the Consumer Goods Forum and the Food Waste Coalition, of which we are a member:

- Publicly adopt and commit to the goal of reducing food waste by half within its own operations by 2030 and strive to reduce food waste in its supply chain and at customer level in line with target 12.3 of the SDGs.
- Measure food waste in its own operations (in line with the Food Loss and Waste Standard) and report publicly through a harmonized approach.
- Take action to reduce food waste both in their own operations and in partnership with suppliers, creating collaborations between Coalition companies where possible.
- Innovate to help customers reduce food waste.

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<sup>1</sup> UN (<https://www.un.org/sustainabledevelopment/es/hunger/>)

<sup>2</sup> Sustainability MDPI, 2021

([https://www.mdpi.com/journal/sustainability/special\\_issues/agricultural\\_production\\_food\\_insecurity\\_environment](https://www.mdpi.com/journal/sustainability/special_issues/agricultural_production_food_insecurity_environment))

- Support the communications strategy by providing content and acting as a public advocate for the CGF.

#### **4. OUR COMMITMENTS**

In order to support effectiveness that reflects the intent of the policy, Supermercados Peruanos is committed to the following practices:

- **Measurement**  
We are committed to constantly measuring the reasons for food waste in our stores and logistics centers so that we can take action.
- **Management**  
We are committed to managing food waste data so as to identify efficiencies and best practices and to implement constant improvements.
- **Reduction**  
Our main commitment is to reduce the amount of waste we generate through the use of technology in our supply systems; nonetheless, once it is generated, our priority is to donate it. Our goal is that 70% of our operations' waste will be donated.
- **Customer awareness**  
Our customers are a key player in waste reduction. We are committed to raising their awareness of proper food handling and eliminating prejudices when buying fresh products.
- **Raising awareness among employees**  
We are committed to raise awareness and train our internal staff to properly manage the food donation procedure and avoid food waste.
- **Supplier training**  
At Supermercados Peruanos we have thousands of commercial suppliers; our value chain is key towards reducing food waste. We are committed to training them with specialists in techniques and good practices to reduce waste and loss.
- **Training for social organizations**  
Social organizations that receive food donations must also be trained to avoid wasting the food they receive. We are committed to developing a course on good food handling and waste reduction practices, which will be shared with all the organizations that receive our donations.

- **Building partnerships**

Partnerships are key to generating high-impact initiatives. We are committed to generating partnerships with key entities, experts in food waste reduction, to work together on this issue.

- **Exploring alternative uses of waste**

We are committed to innovating and exploring alternative methods of using waste, such as reusing organic waste to generate compost or animal feed or alternative products for human consumption.

- **Facilitation of working groups**

Along with companies in the retail sector, we are committed to sharing lessons learned and best practices. As well as looking at the feasibility of developing solutions to collective challenges.

## **5. PROCESS OF DUE DILIGENCE, GOVERNANCE AND REPORTING**

Our commitment to waste reduction and management is overseen by InRetail's Sustainability Management and Supermercados Peruanos' Human Resources and Sustainability Management. The results are reported internally and externally through InRetail's Sustainability Report.

In addition, the relevant functional leaders (representatives from areas such as Operations, Quality, Audit, Commercial, Sustainability) are responsible for overseeing compliance with applicable laws and company policies in our own operations and those of our supply chain.

## **ANNEX: REGULATIONS REFERENCES AND INTERNATIONAL GUIDELINES**

### **International level agreements:**

- Food Waste Coalition of the Consumer Goods Forum.
- The Sustainable Development Goals of the United Nations.

### **National level regulations:**

- Law No. 30498 - Law that promotes food donation and facilitates the transport of donations in natural disaster situations.