

EUWID Price Watch France

November 2025

Prices in € per tonne free delivered unless otherwise stated	November 2025	October 2025	November 2024
Fine paper			
Woodfree uncoated			
Copy paper 80 g A4 B grade	880 - 960	880 - 980	1,000 - 1,130
Copy paper 80 g A4 C grade	820 - 910	820 - 930	950 - 1,080
Offset sheets 80 g	900 - 990	910 - 1,000	1,010 - 1,100
Offset reels 80 g	830 - 910	850 - 930	950 - 1,050
Woodfree coated			
Sheets, double coated, 100 g	930 - 1,000	950 - 1,020	1,010 - 1,100
Reels, double coated, 100 g	870 - 930	890 - 950	960 - 1,050
Publication paper			
Standard newsprint 45 g	600 - 630	600 - 630	600 - 630
Standard newsprint 42 g	610 - 640	610 - 640	610 - 640
Improved newsprint ISO 68, 52 g	650 - 680	650 - 680	650 - 680
LWC offset 60 g	760 - 800	760 - 800	770 - 830
LWC rotogravure 60 g	770 - 810	770 - 810	780 - 840
SC offset 56 g (A)	660 - 700	660 - 700	670 - 720
SC rotogravure 56 g (A)	660 - 700	660 - 700	680 - 730
Corrugated case material			
Primary fibre corrugated case material			
Unbleached kraftliner 175 g+	770 - 870	770 - 880	760 - 850
Semi-chemical fluting	620 - 690	620 - 690	650 - 710
White-top kraftliner 140 g	880 - 990	880 - 990	880 - 990
Recycled corrugated case material			
Recycled fluting 100 g	590 - 625	590 - 625	620 - 645
Recycled fluting 90 g	600 - 640	600 - 640	630 - 660
Testliner II	610 - 650	610 - 650	640 - 670
Testliner III	600 - 635	600 - 635	630 - 655
White-top testliner, grade B, 140 g	700 - 770	700 - 770	720 - 770
Cartonboard			
GD II	820 - 950	820 - 950	810 - 940
GC II	1,120 - 1,300	1,120 - 1,300	1,100 - 1,330

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It was still unclear in mid-November where prices would head in 2026. The only certainty is that downward pressure on prices still dominates for both WLC and FBB, according to market participants.

In the FBB segment, competition remains fierce and volumes are highly contested. Market players are reporting that some producers have taken an "aggressive approach" and are offering low prices. Surplus supply persists on the market, not least because Asian cartonboard continues to find its way onto the European market. Additional price cuts for GC 2 in the first quarter of 2026 are thus certainly a topic of discussion. Manufacturers are aiming to keep prices stable, but they are uncertain about their chances of success.

Customers are also seeking to pay less for GD 2. One supplier anticipated that it would keep prices the same, noting that concessions could not be made without volumes being committed. Others

were less optimistic. Buyers expected to see additional price cuts next year, as well. Yet, as one source cautioned, several companies were in a truly concerning financial situation. Generally speaking, manufacturers for both WLC and FBB find themselves caught in a balancing act between securing volumes and maintaining prices – and thus profitability. □

EUDR: EU Parliament clears the way for urgency procedure

A few weeks before the EU Deforestation Regulation (EUDR) is due to take effect, the European Parliament will vote on the Commission's amendment plans.

On 13 November, the EU Parliament voted in favour of applying the urgency procedure to the plans to simplify the Deforestation Regulation.

According to the session schedule, MEPs are to vote on the proposed amendments at the plenary session in Strasbourg from 24 to 27 November. The European Parliament's statement explains that any motion subject to the urgency procedure takes precedence over other motions on the agenda of a session.

In its current form, the regulation provides for implementation to begin on 30 December 2025. If Parliament and Council vote in favour of the Commission's plans, the start date would remain unchanged. However, the plans provide for a six-month transition period for large and medium-sized companies. And small and micro-enterprises would only have to implement the EUDR from 30 December 2026.

A zero-risk category, which has been repeatedly demanded by several groups including the EPP – currently the largest political group in the European Parliament – is not planned at this stage. □