

Press release

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Kampf GmbH closes business location of Kampf LSF GmbH & Co.KG in Laußig as of 31st December 2025

Wiehl, 7th August 2025 - Kampf GmbH announced today that Kampf LSF in Laussig will shut down business on 31st December 2025.

The decision was made after a thorough analysis of economic and market conditions. The site currently employs 62 people who manufacture special-purpose machines for industries such as packaging, energy, and automotive. The staff was informed of this decision today at noon.

“The decision to close this site is not an easy one”, says Markus Vollmer, CEO. “Despite intensive efforts, we no longer see any economically viable prospects for the site under the current market conditions.”

Measures to Increase Competitiveness

This measure is based on a combination of various external factors: a persistently weak economy combined with a significant downturn in the battery sector, particularly in the field of electromobility. As a result, the product range manufactured at the site has been experiencing a significant decline in demand for some time. Over the past few months, management has intensively examined possible alternatives. However, neither restructuring nor repurposing the site promised a viable solution under the given conditions.

Focus on Socially Acceptable Solutions

Kampf GmbH emphasizes that the closure should be implemented with the greatest possible social responsibility. A comprehensive reconciliation of interests and social plan is currently being developed in close consultation with the works council, the human resources department, and the relevant authorities. “We are aware of our responsibility as an employer and will manage this change process with the utmost respect and humanity” emphasizes Axel Pitsch, Director Human Resources.

Kampf Group remains a Reliable Partner

The company's other locations are not affected by this measure. The economic stability and strategic orientation of the Kampf group remain unchanged.

About Kampf GmbH

Kampf has been the most important technology leader in slitting and winding technology for over 100 years. Headquartered in Wiehl near Cologne, the company employs over 800 people. The product range includes slitting and winding machines, winders as well as narrow cut and special machines for the production and processing of web-shaped materials, such as plastic films, composite materials, laminates, battery foils and finished papers, to name just a few. Kampf is the largest manufacturer of slitting and winding machines and winders for films worldwide. The export share is over 80%. With subsidiaries in the USA, England, China and India as well as international service and sales offices, the company has been successfully positioned internationally for many years. The machine manufacturer has been part of the Jagenberg Group since 1988. Kampf works continuously on the innovative further development of its machines and develops Industry 4.0 solutions and service products for digitalized processes at its own technology center.