

FIRST SCANDINAVIAN CERTIFICATION LABEL

KIWA NORDIC HAS RECENTLY CERTIFIED TWO SUBSIDIARIES OF GFAB (GLASFABRIKEN), ONE OF THE LARGEST PRODUCERS OF GLASS IN SWEDEN AND WELL KNOWN IN SCANDINAVIA: GFAB LINDBERG & CO AB IN ALSTERMO (MIRRORS AND TEMPERED GLASS) AND GFAB GEMAXGLAS AB IN KALMAR (LAMINATED AND BENDED GLASS). BOTH COMPANIES HAVE BEEN TESTED AND EVENTUALLY HAVE BEEN CERTIFIED WITH REGARD TO THE PRODUCTION OF SAFETY GLASS ACCORDING TO THE EUROPEAN REQUIREMENTS. THIS MAKES GFAB THE FIRST SCANDINAVIAN COMPANY TO RECEIVE THE KIWA CERTIFICATION CERTIFICATE FOR SAFETY GLASS.

GFAB: EXPERT IN SAFETY GLASS



KIWA NORDIC HOLDING AB

Per 1st January 2010
Kiwa Nordic will operate
under the legal
construction of private
limited company as:
Kiwa Nordic Holding AB.

Lars Lindberg (left), Managing Director of GFAB Lindberg & Co and Gert Hultman (right), Managing Director of GFAB Gemaxglas.



GLAS LABORATORY KIWA GERMANY

In Magdeburg, Germany, Kiwa Germany has a glass laboratory, specifically designed for testing and certification of building products. More information: www.kiwa.de

EXPERT CENTRE GLASS

Kiwa's Expert Centre Glass is a joint initiative of Kiwa Nordic, the various Kiwa divisions and strategic liaisons with international partners. In this Expert Centre all available knowledge, experience and laboratory facilities regarding glass in buildings, within the entire Kiwa organisation, will be at your disposal via one central point of co-ordination. More information: robbert.boer@kiwa.nl

Spegelsliperiet Lindberg & Co AB was founded in 1945 by Walter Lindberg and Eskil Fransson and Gemax Glas AB was founded in 1939 and was owned by Gert Hultman. Both companies obviously have had a long tradition in the production of glass and especially in safety glass. In 2006 there was a fusion between Spegelsliperiet Lindberg & Co and Gemax Glas and those two companies became GFAB Lindberg & Gemax AB. In October 2007 GFAB acquired Alstermo Glas and founded a group. GFAB started at the beginning of this year with the certification process for this particular type of glass and Kiwa handed out the first Scandinavian certificate in November.

GFAB SAFETY GLASS

Mother of the group is GFAB Lindberg & Gemax AB and the organisation consists of three subsidiaries:

- GFAB gemaxglas produces custom-made laminated and bended glass products such as bullet proof, burglary resistant and sound protective glass.
- GFAB lindberg & co has had a long tradition in mirrors for furniture, bathrooms and wardrobes. In 2001 they started producing tempered, flat and bended glass, being used for the production of shower doors, balcony glass, kitchen doors and glass for solar panels.
- The third company, GFAB alstermoglas, is a producer of insulating glass and tempered glass. In 2008 this company invested a lot in a so-called Super Spacer line and a tempering furnace from Tamglass, enabling to temper 6.000 x 2.800 mm. Next year GFAB alstermoglas will also be tested and certified for their products. GFAB alstermoglas

also has a sales department and a small production line in Malmö, called GFAB malmö, serving their customers in the southern part of Sweden.

SAFETY GLASS CERTIFICATION

Lars Lindberg, Managing Director of GFAB lindberg & co and Gert Hultman, Managing Director of GFAB gemaxglas explain why they started the certification process: 'We want to be a reliable supplier for our customers. When we are certified by a notified body like Kiwa, we think it is a good thing for our production process and it helps us in better marketing our products.' Hultman continues: 'We decided we wanted Kiwa to test and certify a number of our safety glass products because Kiwa is well known and has a good reputation. They offer a full range of services and this, combined with their knowledge, is worth a lot as well.' Lindberg adds: 'Another important reason is the fact that our Quality Manager Anna-Lena Fransson recommended us to use Kiwa for this certification program.' Hultman concludes: 'To GFAB, Kiwa really exceeded its reputation.'

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*Production plant
GFAB Lindberg & co
in Sweden.*

