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DEFINING RAW MATERIALS

OVERVIEW

This guidance will enable you to communicate in a clear and consistent way sustainable attributes for all branded and own brand products we sell to customers. The approach is designed to ensure we have the relevant evidence to back up every claim we make whilst adhering to and complying with the new CMA Green Claims Code.

There are >75 sustainability attributes available to choose from as shown below. These have been grouped by material to make it as easy as possible to find the attribute you are looking for. Please note, that a lot but not all of the attributes have the same certification and requirements that sit behind them. Each will lead to a customer facing claim. You will also notice an option called 'No claim'. Please make sure you use this when no claim can be made to ensure a complete data set of all new products.

Please ensure that a sustainable attribute is selected from the drop-down menus on all range plans and that your Product Technologist is aware of any claims you are making about products so they can ensure the supplier submits the required evidence.

If you have any queries or cannot find an attribute you are looking for then please contact: raw materials sustainability@johnlewis.co.uk

Full further information on Project Element and how to attribute products, please find further guidance here.

This form can be used to propose a new certification scheme to be recognised by John Lewis to make a more sustainable product claim.

Raw Material	STEP Value	3rd Party Standard	Customer Facing Claim on Product Specification Online	Link to claim requirements
Product Certification	GRS Global Recycled Standard certified product	Global Recycled Standard (GRS)	Global Recycled Standard Certified Product	<u>Link</u>
Product Certification	GOTS Global Organic Textiles Standard certified product	Global Organic Textiles Standard (GOTS) (Fully certified)	Global Organic Textiles Standard Certified Product	<u>Link</u>
Alpaca	ALPACA RAS Responsible Alpaca Standard certified product	Responsible Alpaca Standard (RAS)	Responsible Alpaca Standard Certified Product	<u>Link</u>
Alpaca	ALPACA Contains at least 40% Fibre or Material certified to RAS	Responsible Alpaca Standard (RAS)	Contains at least 40% Responsibly sourced Alpaca	<u>Link</u>
Alpaca	ALPACA Contains at least 70% Fibre or Material certified to RAS	Responsible Alpaca Standard (RAS)	Contains at least 70% Responsibly sourced Alpaca	<u>Link</u>
Cashmere	CASHMERE: SFA Sustainable Fibre Alliance certified product	Sustinable Fibre Alliance Standard (SFA)	SFA Certified Product	<u>Link</u>
Cashmere	CASHMERE GRS Global Recycled Standard certified product	Global Recycled Standard (GRS)	Global Recycled Standard Certified Product	<u>Link</u>
Cashmere	CASHMERE Contains at least 40% Recycled Fibre or Material certified to GRS Global Recycled Standard	Global Recycled Standard (GRS)	Contains at least 40% Recycled Cashmere	<u>Link</u>
Cashmere	CASHMERE Contains at least 70% Recycled Fibre or Material certified to GRS Global Recycled Standard	Global Recycled Standard (GRS)	Contains at least 70% Recycled Cashmere	Link
Cashmere	CASHMERE Contains at least 40% Fibre or Material certified to RCS Recycled Content Standard	Recycled Claim Standard (RCS) If GRS not possible	Contains at least 40% Recycled Cashmere	<u>Link</u>
Cashmere	CASHMERE RCS Contains at least 70% Recycled Fibre or Material certified to Recycled Content Standard	Recycled Claim Standard (RCS) If GRS not possible	Contains at least 70% Recycled Cashmere	Link

Cotton	COTTON GRS Global Recycled Standard certified product	Global Recycled Standard (GRS)	Global Recycled Standard Certified Product	<u>Link</u>
Cotton	COTTON Contains at least 40% Recycled Fibre or Material certified to GRS Global Recycled Standard	Global Recycled Standard (GRS)	Contains at least 40% Recycled Cotton	<u>Link</u>
Cotton	COTTON Contains at least 70% Recycled Fibre or Material certified to GRS Global Recycled Standard	Global Recycled Standard (GRS)	Contains at least 70% Recycled Cotton	<u>Link</u>
Cotton	COTTON Contains at least 40% Fibre or Material certified to RCS Recycled Content Standard	Recycled Claim Standard (RCS) If GRS not possible	Contains at least 40% Recycled Cotton	<u>Link</u>
Cotton	COTTON Contains at least 70% Fibre or Material certified to RCS Recycled Content Standard	Recycled Claim Standard (RCS) If GRS not possible	Contains at least 70% Recycled Cotton	<u>Link</u>
Cotton	COTTON GOTS Global Organic Textiles Standard certified product	Global Organic Textiles Standard (GOTS) (Fully certified)	Global Organic Textiles Standard Certified Product	<u>Link</u>
Cotton	COTTON Contains at least 40% Organic Fibre or Material certified to Global Organic Textiles Standard	Global Organic Textiles Standard (GOTS) (Without the Final Product Manufacturer or Trader being certified)	Contains at least 40% Organic Cotton	<u>Link</u>
Cotton	COTTON Contains at least 70% Organic Fibre or Material certified to Global Organic Textiles Standard	Global Organic Textiles Standard (GOTS) (Without the Final Product Manufacturer or Trader being certified)	Contains at least 70% Organic Cotton	Link
Cotton	COTTON Contains at least 40% Organic Fibre or Material certified to OCS Organic Content Standard	Organic Content Standard (OCS) (Fully certified OR certified	Contains at least 40% Organic Cotton	<u>Link</u>
		Without the Final Product Manufacturer or Trader being certified)		
Cotton	COTTON Contains at least 70% Organic Fibre or Material certified to OCS Organic Content Standard	Organic Content Standard (OCS)	Contains at least 70% Organic Cotton	<u>Link</u>
		(Fully certified OR certified Without the Final Product Manufacturer or Trader being certified)		
Cotton	COTTON Supports Better Cotton	Better Cotton	Supports Better Cotton	<u>Link</u>
Feather & Down	FEATHER & DOWN Downpass Certified Filling	Downpass 2017	Product using DOWNPASS certified filling	Link
Feather & Down	FEATHER & DOWN RDS Responsible Down Standard Certified	Responsible Down Standard (RDS)	Responsible Down Standard Certified	Link
Feather & Down	FEATHER & DOWN GRS Global Recycled Standard certified product	Global Recycled Standard (GRS)	Global Recycled Standard Certified Product	<u>Link</u>
Glass	GLASS GRS Global Recycled Standard certified product	Global Recycled Standard (GRS)	Global Recycled Standard Certified Product	<u>Link</u>

Glass	GLASS Contains at least 40% Recycled Glass certified to GRS Global Recycled Standard	Global Recycled Standard (GRS)	Contains at least 40% Recycled Glass	<u>Link</u>
Glass	GLASS Contains at least 70% Recycled Glass certified to GRS Global Recycled Standard	Global Recycled Standard (GRS)	Contains at least 70% Recycled Glass	<u>Link</u>
Glass	GLASS Contains at least 40% Recycled Glass certified to RCS Recycled Content Standard	Recycled Claim Standard (RCS) - if GRS not possible	Contains at least 40% Recycled Glass	<u>Link</u>
Glass	GLASS Contains at least 70% Recycled Glass certified to RCS Recycled Content Standard	Recycled Claim Standard (RCS) - if GRS not possible	Contains at least 70% Recycled Glass	<u>Link</u>
Hard Plastics	HARD PLASTICS GRS Global Recycled Standard certified product	Global Recycled Standard (GRS)	Global Recycled Standard Certified Product	Link
Hard Plastics	HARD PLASTICS Contains at least 40% Recycled Hard Plastics certified to GRS Global Recycled Standard	Global Recycled Standard (GRS)	Contains at least 40% Recycled Plastic	<u>Link</u>
Hard Plastics	HARD PLASTICS Contains at least 70% Recycled Hard Plastics certified to GRS Global Recycled Standard	Global Recycled Standard (GRS)	Contains at least 70% Recycled Plastic	<u>Link</u>
Hard Plastics	HARD PLASTICS Contains at least 40% Recycled Hard Plastics certified to RCS Recycled Content Standard	Recycled Claim Standard (RCS)	Contains at least 40% Recycled Plastic	<u>Link</u>
Hard Plastics	HARD PLASTICS Contains at least 70% Recycled Hard Plastics certified to RCS Recycled Content Standard	Recycled Claim Standard (RCS)	Contains at least 70% Recycled Plastic	Link
Leather	LEATHER Leather Working Group Tannery	Leather Working Group (LWG)	Supporting responsible leather manufacturing through the Leather Working Group	<u>Link</u>
Leather	LEATHER GRS Global Recycled Standard certified product	Global Recycled Standard (GRS)	Global Recycled Standard Certified Product	Link
Leather	LEATHER Contains at least 40% Recycled Leather certified to GRS Global Recycled Standard	Global Recycled Standard (GRS)	Contains at least 40% Recycled Leather	<u>Link</u>
Leather	LEATHER Contains at least 70% Recycled Leather certified to GRS Global Recycled Standard	Global Recycled Standard (GRS)	Contains at least 70% Recycled Leather	Link
Linen	LINEN GRS Global Recycled Standard certified product	Global Recycled Standard (GRS)	Global Recycled Standard Certified Product	<u>Link</u>
Linen	LINEN Contains at least 40% Recycled Fibre or Material certified to GRS Global Recycled Standard	Global Recycled Standard (GRS)	Contains at least 40% Recycled Linen	<u>Link</u>
Linen	LINEN Contains at least 70% Recycled Fibre or Material certified to GRS Global Recycled Standard	Global Recycled Standard (GRS)	Contains at least 70% Recycled Linen	<u>Link</u>
Linen	LINEN Contains at least 40% Recycled Fibre or Material certified to RCS Recycled Content Standard	Recycled Claim Standard (RCS) If GRS not possible	Contains at least 40% Recycled Linen	<u>Link</u>

Linen	LINEN Contains at least 70% Recycled Fibre or Material certified to RCS Recycled Content Standard	Recycled Claim Standard (RCS) If GRS not possible	Contains at least 70% Recycled Linen	<u>Link</u>
Linen	LINEN GOTS Global Organic Textiles Standard certified product	Global Organic Textile Standard (GOTS)	Global Organic Textiles Standard Certified Product	Link
Linen	LINEN Contains at least 40% Organic Fibre or Material certified to Global Organic Textiles Standard	Global Organic Textile Standard (GOTS)	Contains at least 40% Organic Linen	<u>Link</u>
Linen	LINEN Contains at least 70% Organic Fibre or Material certified to Global Organic Textiles Standard	Global Organic Textile Standard (GOTS)	Contains at least 70% Organic Linen	<u>Link</u>
Linen	LINEN Contains at least 40% Organic Fibre or Material certified to OCS Organic Content Standard	Organic Content Standard (OCS)	Contains at least 40% Organic Linen	<u>Link</u>
Linen	LINEN Contains at least 70% Organic Fibre or Material certified to OCS Organic Content Standard	Organic Content Standard (OCS)	Contains at least 70% Organic Linen	<u>Link</u>
Linen	LINEN European Flax	European Flax	European Flax Certified	<u>Link</u>
Lyocell	Lyocell: Contains at least 40% TENCEL Lyocell	LENZING	Contains at least 40% TENCEL Lyocell	<u>Link</u>
Lyocell	Lyocell: Contains at least 70% TENCEL Lyocell	LENZING	Contains at least 70% TENCEL Lyocell	<u>Link</u>
Modal	Modal: Contains at least 40% TENCEL Modal	LENZING	Contains at least 40% TENCEL Modal	<u>Link</u>
Modal	Modal: Contains at least 70% TENCEL Modal	LENZING	Contains at least 70% TENCEL Modal	<u>Link</u>
Mohair	MOHAIR RMS Responsible Mohair Standard certified product	Responsible Mohair Standard (RMS)	Responsible Mohair Standard Certified Product	<u>Link</u>
Mohair	MOHAIR Contains at least 40% Fibre or Material certified to RMS Responsible Mohair Standard	Responsible Mohair Standard (RMS)	Contains at least 40% Responsibly sourced Mohair	<u>Link</u>
Mohair	MOHAIR Contains at least 70% Fibre or Material certified to RMS Responsible Mohair Standard	Responsible Mohair Standard (RMS)	Contains at least 70% Responsibly sourced Mohair	Link
Polyamide/Nylon	POLYAMIDE OR NYLON GRS Global Recycled Standard certified product	Global Recycled Standard (GRS)	Global Recycled Standard Certified Product	<u>Link</u>
Polyamide/Nylon	POLYAMIDE/NYLON Contains at least 40% Recycled Fibre or Material certified to GRS Global Recycled Standard	Global Recycled Standard (GRS)	Contains at least 40% Recycled Polyamide	<u>Link</u>
Polyamide/Nylon	POLYAMIDE/NYLON Contains at least 70% Recycled Fibre or Material certified to GRS Global Recycled Standard	Global Recycled Standard (GRS)	Contains at least 70% Recycled Polyamide	Link
Polyamide/Nylon	POLYAMIDE/NYLON Contains at least 40% Recycled Fibre or Material certified to RCS Recycled Content Standard	Recycled Claim Standard (RCS) If GRS not possible	Contains at least 40% Recycled Polyamide	<u>Link</u>
Polyamide/Nylon	POLYAMIDE/NYLON Contains at least 70% Recycled Fibre or Material certified to RCS Recycled Content Standard	Recycled Claim Standard (RCS) If GRS not possible	Contains at least 70% Recycled Polyamide	Link

Polyester	POLYESTER GRS Global Recycled Standard certified product	Global Recycled Standard (GRS)	Global Recycled Standard Certified Product	<u>Link</u>
Polyester	POLYESTER Contains at least 40% Recycled Fibre or Material certified to GRS Global Recycled Standard	Global Recycled Standard (GRS)	Contains at least 40% Recycled Polyester	<u>Link</u>
Polyester	POLYESTER Contains at least 70% Recycled Fibre or Material certified to GRS Global Recycled Standard	Global Recycled Standard (GRS)	Contains at least 70% Recycled Polyester	<u>Link</u>
Polyester	POLYESTER Contains at least 40% Recycled Fibre or Material certified to RCS Recycled Content Standard	Recycled Claim Standard (RCS) If GRS not possible	Contains at least 40% Recycled Polyester	<u>Link</u>
Polyester	POLYESTER Contains at least 70% Recycled Fibre or Material certified to RCS Recycled Content Standard	Recycled Claim Standard (RCS) If GRS not possible	Contains at least 70% Recycled Polyester	Link
Polyester	POLYESTER Contains at least 40% Recycled Fibre or Material certified by Repreve	REPREVE	Contains at least 40% Recycled Polyester Certified by Repreve	Link
Polyester	POLYESTER Contains at least 70% Recycled Fibre or Material certified by Repreve	REPREVE	Contains at least 70% Recycled Polyester Certified by Repreve	<u>Link</u>
Silk	SILK GRS Global Recycled Standard certified product	Global Recycled Standard (GRS)	Global Recycled Standard Certified Product	<u>Link</u>
Silk	SILK Contains at least 40% Recycled Fibre or Material certified to GRS Global Recycled Standard	Global Recycled Standard (GRS)	Contains at least 40% Recycled Silk	<u>Link</u>
Silk	SILK Contains at least 70% Recycled Fibre or Material certified to GRS Global Recycled Standard	Global Recycled Standard (GRS)	Contains at least 70% Recycled Silk	Link
Silk	SILK Contains at least 40% Recycled Fibre or Material certified to RCS Recycled Content Standard	Recycled Claim Standard (RCS) If GRS not possible	Contains at least 40% Recycled Silk	<u>Link</u>
Silk	SILK Contains at least 70% Recycled Fibre or Material certified to RCS Recycled Content Standard	Recycled Claim Standard (RCS) If GRS not possible	Contains at least 70% Recycled Silk	<u>Link</u>
Silk	SILK GOTS Global Organic Textiles Standard certified product	Global Organic Textiles Standard (GOTS) (Fully certified)	Global Organic Textiles Standard Certified Product	<u>Link</u>
Silk	SILK Contains at least 40% Organic Fibre or Material certified to Global Organic Textiles Standard	Global Organic Textiles Standard (GOTS) (Without the Final Product Manufacturer or Trader being certified)	Contains at least 40% Organic Silk	Link
Silk	SILK Contains at least 70% Organic Fibre or Material certified to Global Organic Textiles Standard	Global Organic Textiles Standard (GOTS) (Without the Final Product Manufacturer or Trader being certified)	Contains at least 70% Organic Silk	Link

Silk	SILK Contains at least 40% Organic Fibre or Material certified to OCS Organic Content Standard	Organic Content Standard (OCS)	Contains at least 40% Organic Silk	<u>Link</u>
		(Fully certified OR certified Without the Final Product Manufacturer or Trader being certified)		
Silk	SILK Contains at least 70% Organic Fibre or Material certified to OCS Organic Content Standard	Organic Content Standard (OCS)	Contains at least 70% Organic Silk	Link
		(Fully certified OR certified Without the Final Product Manufacturer or Trader being certified)		
Timber & Paper	TIMBER or PAPER FSC100%	Forest Stewardship Council (FSC)	FSC 100%	Link
Timber & Paper	TIMBER or PAPER FSC RECYCLED	Forest Stewardship Council (FSC)	FSC Recycled	<u>Link</u>
Timber & Paper	TIMBER or PAPER FSC MIX	Forest Stewardship Council (FSC)	FSC Mix	Link
Timber & Paper	TIMBER or PAPER PEFC Certified	Programme for the Endorsement of Forest Certification (PEFC)	PEFC Certified	<u>Link</u>
Timber & Paper	TIMBER or PAPER PEFC Recycled	Programme for the Endorsement of Forest Certification (PEFC)	PEFC Recycled	Link
Timber & Paper	TIMBER GIB Grown in Britain	Grown in Britain (GIB)	Wood certified by Grown in Britain	<u>Link</u>
Viscose	VISCOSE Contains at least 40% Lenzing EcoVero	LENZING	Contains at least 40% Lenzing EcoVero Viscose	<u>Link</u>
Viscose	VISCOSE Contains at least 70% Lenzing EcoVero	LENZING	Contains at least 70% Lenzing EcoVero Viscose	<u>Link</u>
Viscose	VISCOSE Contains at least 40% Birla Livaeco	BIRLA	Contains at least 40% BIRLA LIVAECO Viscose	<u>Link</u>
Viscose	VISCOSE Contains at least 70% Birla Livaeco	BIRLA	Contains at least 70% BIRLA LIVAECO Viscose	<u>Link</u>
Wool	WOOL RWS Responsible Wool Standard certified product	Responsible Wool Standard (RWS)	Responsible Wool Standard Certified Product	<u>Link</u>
Wool	WOOL Contains at least 40% Fibre or Material certified to RWS Responsible Wool Standard	Responsible Wool Standard (RWS)	Contains at least 40% Responsibly sourced Wool	<u>Link</u>
Wool	WOOL Contains at least 70% Fibre or Material certified to RWS Responsible Wool Standard	Responsible Wool Standard (RWS)	Contains at least 70% Responsibly sourced Wool	<u>Link</u>
Wool	WOOL GRS Global Recycled Standard certified product	Global Recycled Standard (GRS)	Global Recycled Standard Certified Product	<u>Link</u>
Wool	WOOL Contains at least 40% Recycled Fibre or Material certified to GRS Global Recycled Standard	Global Recycled Standard (GRS)	Contains at least 40% Recycled Wool	<u>Link</u>
Wool	WOOL Contains at least 70% Recycled Fibre or Material certified to GRS Global Recycled Standard	Global Recycled Standard (GRS)	Contains at least 70% Recycled Wool	Link

Wool	WOOL Contains at least 40% Recycled Fibre or Material certified to RCS Recycled Content Standard	Recycled Claim Standard (RCS) If GRS not possible	Contains at least 40% Recycled Wool	<u>Link</u>
Wool	WOOL Contains at least 70% Recycled Fibre or Material certified to RCS Recycled Content Standard	Recycled Claim Standard (RCS) If GRS not possible	Contains at least 70% Recycled Wool	Link
Wool	WOOL GOTS Global Organic Textiles Standard certified product	Global Organic Textiles Standard (GOTS)	Global Organic Textiles Standard Certified Product	<u>Link</u>
Wool	WOOL Contains at least 40% Organic Fibre or Material certified to GOTS Global Organic Textiles Standard	Global Organic Textiles Standard (GOTS)	Contains at least 40% Organic Wool	<u>Link</u>
Wool	WOOL Contains at least 70% Organic Fibre or Material certified to GOTS Global Organic Textiles Standard	Global Organic Textiles Standard (GOTS)	Contains at least 70% Organic Wool	<u>Link</u>
Wool	WOOL Contains at least 40% Organic Fibre or Material certified to OCS Organic Content Standard	Organic Content Standard (OCS) (if GOTS not possible)	Contains at least 40% Organic Wool	Link
Wool	WOOL Contains at least 70% Organic Fibre or Material certified to OCS Organic Content Standard	Organic Content Standard (OCS) (if GOTS not possible)	Contains at least 70% Organic Wool	Link
NO CLAIM	NO CLAIM		No sustainability claim available for this product	

GRS GLOBAL RECYCLED STANDARD CERTIFIED PRODUCT

Raw Material

Product Certification

STEP Value

GRS Global Recycled Standard Certified Product

What Is This Fibre

This is a product level claim that covers various materials

Why This Has Been Chosen As A 'More Sustainable' Attribute?

Recycled fibres have been used rather than conventional sources - this could be either pre or post consumer waste.

The full supply chain from fibre to product has also been certified to the Global Recycled Standard, which assessing the social and environmental standards across the supply chain.

3rd Party Standard

Global Recycled Standard (GRS)

What Stage Of Supply Chain Needs To Be Certified

Own-Brand Product - All stages of the supply chain INCLUDING John Lewis*.

Branded Product - All stages of the supply chain INCLUDING the Brand.



NOTE: As of November 2023 John Lewis became certified to the GRS standard.

Documentation/Evidence Required

Scope Certificate and Transaction Certificates for every PO

Process For Evidence Collection (Own Brand Only)

Please contact the: raw_materials_sustainability@johnlewis.co.uk to discuss any GRS Certified Products.

See this link for the own brand process to be followed.

Evidence must also be uploaded against the Sustainability Claim in the Product Technical File on TrackVision (or SGS if the supplier is yet to transition)

Requirement In Order To Call This Out With A 'More Sustainable' Product Tag

Recycled (cotton) content of the product must be over 50%

Product must meet Requirements of the Standard and be labelled accordingly

"The product contains at least 50% GRS Certified Material (this may include either Pre-Consumer Content, Post-Consumer Content, or a combination)"

Customer Facing Claim on Product Specification Online

Global Recycled Standard Certified Product

Online Copy (Boilerplate)

Made using certified recycled materials.

It's Global Recycled Standard (GRS) certified, an assurance that it's been made using recycled materials from waste that would otherwise have gone to landfill.

Useful Link

GRS STANDARD LOGO USE AND LABELLING GUIDE

GOTS GLOBAL ORGANIC TEXTILES STANDARD CERTIFIED PRODUCT

Raw Material

Product Certification

STEP Value

GOTS Global Organic Textiles Standard certified product

What Is This Fibre

This is a product level claim that covers various materials

Why This Has Been Chosen As A 'More Sustainable' Attribute?

This product has been made using organic fibres.

GOTS is the worldwide leading textile processing standard for organic fibres.

This standard assesses the social and environmental standards across the supply chain, from fibre to product.

Note: It is preferable to use GOTS organic certification, rather than the Organic Content Standard, where possible.

3rd Party Standard

Global Organic Textiles Standard (GOTS)

(Fully certified)

What Stage Of Supply Chain Needs To Be Certified

Own-Brand Product - Last Legal owner of Product before John Lewis

Branded Product - Last Legal owner of Product before the Brand

Documentation/Evidence Required

Scope Certificate and Transaction Certificates for every PO

Process For Evidence Collection (Own Brand Only)

Evidence must be sent to the Raw Materials inbox

(raw_materials_sustainability@johnlewis.co.uk)

This data is then recorded on cotton dashboards (if evidence is received)

Evidence must also be uploaded against the Sustainability Claim in the Product Technical File on TrackVision (or SGS if the supplier is yet to transition)

Requirement In Order To Call This Out With A 'More Sustainable' Product Tag

Product must meet Requirements of the Standard and be labelled accordingly.

If the organic content of the product is over 95% it should be labelled as "Organic" under the logo

If the organic content of the product is over 70%, it should be labelled as "Made with x% organic materials" under the logo

*If your supplier is interested in producing "organic-in conversion" then please contact your E&S specialist for more details. (See page 3 in standard)

Online Copy (Boilerplate)

Made using organic <cotton/linen/silk/wool>.

It's Global Organic Textile Standard (GOTS) certified, an assurance that it contains at least 70% organically grown natural fibres and has been produced without the use of hazardous chemicals commonly used in fibre production and textile processing.

Useful Link

GOTS standard Conditions of use of GOTS signs

ALPACA RAS RESPONSIBLE ALPACA STANDARD CERTIFIED PRODUCT

Raw Material

Alpaca

STEP Value

ALPACA RAS Responsible Alpaca Standard certified product

What Is This Fibre

Wool is the hair of certain mammals. In this instance we are referring to wool from alpaca

Why This Has Been Chosen As A 'More Sustainable' Attribute?

This product is certified to the Responsible Alpaca Standard, which assures rigorous animal welfare and land management requirements have been met.

3rd Party Standard

Responsible Alpaca Standard (RAS)

What Stage Of Supply Chain Needs To Be Certified

Own-Brand Product - All stages of the supply chain INCLUDING John Lewis*

Branded Product - All stages of the supply chain INCLUDING The Brand

*John Lewis currently is not certified to RAS so we cannot make RAS Certified Product Claims Please contact the raw_materials_sustainability@johnlewis.co.uk to discuss introducing RAS Certified Products

Documentation/Evident Required

Scope Certificate and Transaction Certificates for every PO

Process For Evidence Collection (Own Brand Only)

Evidence must also be uploaded against the Sustainability Claim in the Product Technical File on TrackVision (or SGS if the supplier is yet to transition)

Requirement In Order To Call This Out With A 'More Sustainable' Product Tag

100% of the alpaca wool used must be certified

Blending/mixing with conventional material of the same type is NOT ALLOWED

John Lewis requires at least 40% of the product to contain Alpaca wool to make the claim

Online Copy (Boilerplate)

Made using wool certified to the Responsible Alpaca Standard (RAS), an assurance that it comes from certified responsible farms with high standards of animal welfare, soil health and biodiversity.

Useful Link

RAS STANDARD and User Guide

ALPACA CONTAINS AT LEAST 40% FIBRE OR MATERIAL CERTIFIED TO RAS

Raw Material

Alpaca

STEP Value

ALPACA Contains at least 40% Fibre or Material certified to RAS

What Is This Fibre

Wool is the hair of certain mammals. In this instance we are referring to wool from alpaca

Why This Has Been Chosen As A 'More Sustainable' Attribute?

Alpaca from this product comes from a source where animal welfare and land management are a key priority.

3rd Party Standard

Responsible Alpaca Standard (RAS)

What Stage Of Supply Chain Needs To Be Certified

Yarn Supplier (if no fabric stage) or Fabric Supplier

For certain product types it may be the Fibre Stage e.g. Filling in Bedding/Cushions/Jackets etc (This should be agreed with E&S before any claims are made)"

Documentation/Evidence Required

Scope Certificate and Transaction Certificates for every PO

Process For Evidence Collection (Own Brand Only)

Evidence must also be uploaded against the Sustainability Claim in the Product Technical File on TrackVision (or SGS if the supplier is yet to transition)

Requirement In Order To Call This Out With A 'More Sustainable' Product Tag

100% of the alpaca wool used must be certified

Blending/mixing with conventional material of the same type is NOT ALLOWED

John Lewis require at least 40% of the product to contain wool to be used to make the claim

Online Copy (Boilerplate)

Contains at least 40% responsibly sourced wool which has been produced in a way that safeguards animal welfare, soil health and biodiversity.

Useful links

RAS Standard and User Guide

ALPACA CONTAINS AT LEAST 70% FIBRE/MATERIAL CERTIFIED TO RAS

Raw Material

Alpaca

STEP Value

ALPACA Contains at least 70% Fibre or Material certified to RAS

What Is This Fibre

Wool is the hair of certain mammals. In this instance we are referring to wool from alpaca

Why This Has Been Chosen As A 'More Sustainable' Attribute?

Alpaca from this product comes from a source where animal welfare and land management are a key priority.

3rd Party Standard

Responsible Alpaca Standard (RAS)

What Stage Of Supply Chain Needs To Be Certified

Yarn Supplier (if no fabric stage) or Fabric Supplier

For certain product types it may be the Fibre Stage e.g. Filling in Bedding/Cushions/Jackets etc (This should be agreed with E&S before any claims are made)

Documentation/Evident Required

Scope Certificate and Transaction Certificates for every PO

Process For Evidence Collection (Own Brand Only)

Evidence must also be uploaded against the Sustainability Claim in the Product Technical File on TrackVision (or SGS if the supplier is yet to transition)

Requirement In Order To Call This Out With A 'More Sustainable' Product Tag

100% of the alpaca wool used must be certified

Blending/mixing with conventional material of the same type is NOT ALLOWED

John Lewis require at least 70% of the product to contain wool to be used to make the claim

Online Copy (Boilerplate)

Contains at least 70% responsibly sourced wool which has been produced in a way that safeguards animal welfare, soil health and biodiversity.

Useful Link

RAS Standard and User Guide

CASHMERE: SFA SUSTAINABLE FIBRE ALLIANCE CERTIFIED PRODUCT

Raw Material

Cashmere

STEP Value

CASHMERE: SFA Sustainable Fibre Alliance certified product

What Is This Fibre

Cashmere comes from the cashmere goat and is known for being one of the softest fibres. Its thin hairs mean that it can be woven into incredibly soft, luxurious garments (warmth without weight).

Cashmere goats have two layers of hair, thick wiry guard hairs and a super-soft cashmere undercoat. Fibres can only be collected once a year.

Why This Has Been Chosen As A 'More Sustainable' Attribute?

This product is certifed to the SFA standard.

The SFA's goals to improve animal welfare and social and environmental performance in the production of cashmere.

3rd Party Standard

Sustainable Fibre Alliance Standard (SFA)

What Stage Of Supply Chain Needs To Be Certified

Own-Brand Product - Last Legal owner of Product. All stages of the supply chain INCLUDING John Lewis*.

Branded Product - Last Legal owner of Product. All stages of the supply chain INCLUDING the Brand.

*As of March 2024 John Lewis became certified to the SFA standard

Documentation/Evident Required

Scope Certificate and Transaction Certificates for every PO

Process For Evidence Collection (Own Brand Only)

Evidence must be sent to the Raw Materials inbox (raw materials sustainability@johnlewis.co.uk)

Evidence must also be uploaded against the Sustainability Claim in the Product Technical File on TrackVision (or SGS if the supplier is yet to transition)

Requirement In Order To Call This Out With A 'More Sustainable' Product Tag

100% of cashmere content must be certified

Online Copy (Boilerplate)

100% of the cashmere in this product is Sustainable Fibre Alliance (SFA) certified.

The SFA's work helps to improve the welfare of cashmere goats, protect rangelands and secure herder livelihoods.

SFA certification is also an assurance that this cashmere has been processed without the use of hazardous chemicals.

Useful Link

https://sustainablefibre.org/standard/

CASHMERE GRS GLOBAL RECYCLED STANDARD CERTIFIED PRODUCT

Raw Material

Cashmere

STEP Value

CASHMERE GRS Global Recycled Standard certified product

What Is This Fibre

Cashmere comes from the cashmere goat and is known for being one of the softest fibres. Its thin hairs mean that it can be woven into incredibly soft, luxurious garments (warmth without weight).

Cashmere goats have two layers of hair, thick wiry guard hairs and a super-soft cashmere undercoat. Fibres can only be collected once a year.

Why This Has Been Chosen As A 'More Sustainable' Attribute?

This product uses recycled material.

This product is also certified to the GLOBAL RECYCLED STANDARD (GRS), which assures that high social and environmental standards of manufacture have been met across the entire supply chain

3rd Party Standard

Global Recycled Standard (GRS)

What Stage Of Supply Chain Needs To Be Certified

Own-Brand Product - All stages of the supply chain INCLUDING John Lewis*.

Branded Product - All stages of the supply chain INCLUDING the Brand.

*As of November 2023 John Lewis became certified to the GRS standard.

Documentation/Evidence Required

Scope Certificate and Transaction Certificates for every PO

Process For Evidence Collection (Own Brand Only)

Please contact the: raw_materials_sustainability@johnlewis.co.uk to discuss any GRS Certified Products.

See this link for the own brand process to be followed.

Evidence must also be uploaded against the Sustainability Claim in the Product Technical File on TrackVision (or SGS if the supplier is yet to transition)

Requirement In Order To Call This Out With A 'More Sustainable' Product Tag

100% of cashmere content must be certified (IL requirement)

Product must contain at least 50% GRS Certified Material

Online Copy (Boilerplate)

Made using certified recycled materials.

It's Global Recycled Standard (GRS) certified, an assurance that it's been made using recycled materials from waste that would otherwise have gone to landfill.

Useful Link

CASHMERE CONTAINS AT LEAST 40% RECYCLED FIBRE OR MATERIAL

Raw Material

Cashmere

STEP Value

CASHMERE Contains at least 40% Recycled Fibre or Material certified to GRS Global Recycled Standard

What Is This Fibre

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Cashmere goats have two layers of hair, thick wiry guard hairs and a super-soft cashmere undercoat. Fibres can only be collected once a year.

Why This Has Been Chosen As A 'More Sustainable' Attribute?

Recycled fibres/materials have been used rather than conventional sources - this could be either pre or post consumer waste.

3rd Party Standard

Global Recycled Standard (GRS)

What Stage Of Supply Chain Needs To Be Certified

Yarn Supplier (if no fabric stage) or Fabric Supplier

For certain product types it may be the Fibre Stage e.g. Filling in Bedding/Cushions/Jackets etc (This should be agreed with E&S before any claims are made)

Documentation/Evidence Required

Scope Certificate and Transaction Certificates for every PO

Process For Evidence Collection (Own Brand Only)

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Requirement In Order To Call This Out With A 'More Sustainable' Product Tag

100% must be certified (JL requirement)

Online Copy (Boilerplate)

Contains at least 40% recycled cashmere.

Recycled fibres and materials are made from waste that would otherwise have gone to landfill.

Useful Link

CASHMERE CONTAINS AT LEAST 70% RECYCLED MATERIAL GRS CERTIFIED

Raw Material

Cashmere

STEP Value

CASHMERE Contains at least 70% Recycled Fibre or Material certified to GRS Global Recycled Standard

What Is This Fibre

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Why This Has Been Chosen As A 'More Sustainable' Attribute?

Recycled fibres/materials have been used rather than conventional sources - this could be either pre or post consumer waste.

3rd Party Standard

Global Recycled Standard (GRS)

What Stage Of Supply Chain Needs To Be Certified

Yarn Supplier (if no fabric stage) or Fabric Supplier

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Documentation/Evidence Required

Scope Certificate and Transaction Certificates for every PO

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Requirement In Order To Call This Out With A 'More Sustainable' Product Tag

100% must be certified (JL requirement)

Online Copy (Boilerplate)

Contains at least 70% recycled cashmere. Recycled fibres and materials are made from waste that would otherwise have gone to landfill.

Useful Links

CASHMERE CONTAINS AT LEAST 40% FIBRE OR MATERIAL CERTIFIED TO RCS RECYCLED CONTENT STANDARD

Raw Material

Cashmere

STEP Value

CASHMERE Contains at least 40% Fibre or Material certified to RCS Recycled Content Standard

What Is This Fibre

Cashmere comes from the cashmere goat and is known for being one of the softest fibres. Its thin hairs mean that it can be woven into incredibly soft, luxurious garments (warmth without weight).

Cashmere goats have two layers of hair, thick wiry guard hairs and a super-soft cashmere undercoat. Fibres can only be collected once a year.

Why This Has Been Chosen As A 'More Sustainable' Attribute?

Recycled fibres/materials have been used rather than conventional sources - this could be either pre or post-consumer waste.

3rd Party Standard

Recycled Claim Standard (RCS)

*John Lewis's preference is to use GRS but will accept RCS if GRS is not possible.

What Stage Of Supply Chain Needs To Be Certified

Yarn Supplier (if no fabric stage) or Fabric Supplier

For certain product types it may be the Fibre Stage e.g. Filling in Bedding/Cushions/Jackets etc (This should be agreed with E&S before any claims are made)

Documentation/Evidence Required

Scope Certificate and Transaction Certificates for every PO

Process For Evidence Collection (Own Brand Only)

Evidence must be sent to the Raw Materials inbox (raw_materials_sustainability@johnlewis.co.uk)

Evidence must also be uploaded against the Sustainability Claim in the Product Technical File on TrackVision (or SGS if the supplier is yet to transition)

Requirement In Order To Call This Out With A 'More Sustainable' Product Tag

100% must be certified (JL requirement)

Online Copy (Boilerplate)

Contains at least 40% recycled cashmere.

Recycled fibres and materials are made from waste that would otherwise have gone to landfill.

Useful Link

RCS Standard

CASHMERE RCS CONTAINS AT LEAST 70% RECYCLED FIBRE OR MATERIAL CERTIFIED TO RECYCLED CONTENT STANDARD

Raw Material

Cashmere

STEP Value

CASHMERE RCS Contains at least 70% Recycled Fibre or Material certified to Recycled Content Standard

What Is This Fibre

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Cashmere goats have two layers of hair, thick wiry guard hairs and a super-soft cashmere undercoat. Fibres can only be collected once a year.

Why This Has Been Chosen As A 'More Sustainable' Attribute?

Recycled fibres/materials have been used rather than conventional sources - this could be either pre or post consumer waste.

3rd Party Standard

Recycled Claim Standard (RCS)

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What Stage Of Supply Chain Needs To Be Certified

Yarn Supplier (if no fabric stage) or Fabric Supplier

For certain product types it may be the Fibre Stage e.g. Filling in Bedding/Cushions/Jackets etc (This should be agreed with E&S before any claims are made)

Documentation/Evidence Required

Scope Certificate and Transaction Certificates for every PO

Process For Evidence Collection (Own Brand Only)

Evidence must be sent to the Raw Materials inbox (raw_materials_sustainability@johnlewis.co.uk)

Evidence must also be uploaded against the Sustainability Claim in the Product Technical File on TrackVision (or SGS if the supplier is yet to transition)

Requirement In Order To Call This Out With A 'More Sustainable' Product Tag

100% must be certified (JL requirement)

Online Copy (Boilerplate)

Contains at least 70% recycled cashmere.

Recycled fibres and materials are made from waste that would otherwise have gone to landfill.

Useful Link

RCS Standard

COTTON GRS GLOBAL RECYCLED STANDARD CERTIFIED PRODUCT

Raw Material

Cotton

STEP Value

COTTON GRS Global Recycled Standard certified product

What Is This Fibre

Cotton is a natural fibre derived from cotton plants. It is a staple fibre, which means it is composed of different, varying lengths of fibre.

The term "cotton" refers to the part of the cotton plant that grows in the boll—the encasing for the fluffy cotton fibres. Cotton is spun into yarn that is then woven to create a soft, durable fabric.

Why this Has Been Chosen As A 'More Sustainable' Attribute?

Recycled fibres have been used rather than conventional sources - this could be either pre or post-consumer waste.

The full supply chain from fibre to product has also been certified to the Global Recycled Standard, which assesses the social and environmental standards across the supply chain.

3rd Party Standard

Global Recycled Standard (GRS)

What Stage Of Supply Chain Needs To Be Certified

Own-Brand Product - All stages of the supply chain INCLUDING John Lewis*.

Branded Product - All stages of the supply chain INCLUDING the Brand.

*As of November 2023 John Lewis became certified to the GRS standard.

Documentation/Evidence Required

Scope Certificate and Transaction Certificates for every PO

Process For Evidence Collection (Own Brand Only)

Please contact the: raw_materials_sustainability@johnlewis.co.uk to discuss any GRS Certified Products.

See this link for the own brand process to be followed:

Evidence must also be uploaded against the Sustainability claim in the Product Technical File on TrackVision (or SGS if the supplier is yet to transition)

Requirement In Order To Call This Out With A 'More Sustainable' Product Tag

The recycled (cotton) content of the product must be over 50%

The product must meet the requirements of the Standard and be labelled accordingly

"The product contains at least 50% GRS Certified Material (this may include either Pre-Consumer Content, Post-Consumer Content, or a combination)"

Online Copy (Boilerplate)

Made using certified recycled materials.

It's Global Recycled Standard (GRS) certified, an assurance that it's been made using recycled materials from waste that would otherwise have gone to landfill.

Useful Link

COTTON CONTAINS AT LEAST 40% RECYCLED FIBRE OR MATERIAL CERTIFIED TO GRS GLOBAL RECYCLED STANDARD

Raw Material

Cotton

STEP Value

COTTON Contains at least 40% Recycled Fibre or Material certified to GRS Global Recycled Standard

What Is This Fibre

Cotton is a natural fibre derived from cotton plants. It is a staple fibre, which means it is composed of different, varying lengths of fibres. The term "cotton" refers to the part of the cotton plant that grows in the boll—the encasing for the fluffy cotton fibres. Cotton is spun into yarn that is then woven to create a soft, durable fabric.

Why This Has Been Chosen As A 'More Sustainable' Attribute?

Recycled fibres/materials have been used rather than conventional sources - this could be either pre or post consumer waste.

3rd Party Standard

Global Recycled Standard (GRS)

What Stage Of Supply Chain Needs To Be Certified

Yarn Supplier (if no fabric stage) or Fabric Supplier

For certain product types it may be the Fibre Stage e.g. Filling in Bedding/Cushions/Jackets etc (This should be agreed with E&S before any claims are made)

Documentation/Evidence Required

Scope Certificate and Transaction Certificates for every PO

Process For Evidence Collection (Own Brand Only)

Evidence must be sent to the Raw Materials inbox (raw_materials_sustainability@johnlewis.co.uk)

This data is then recorded on cotton dashboards (if evidence is received)

Evidence must also be uploaded against the Sustainability Claim in the Product Technical File on TrackVision (or SGS if the supplier is yet to transition)

Requirement In Order To Call This Out With A 'More Sustainable' Product Tag

Recycled (cotton) content of the product must be over 40%

Online Copy (Boilerplate)

Contains at least 40% recycled cotton. Recycled fibres and materials are made from waste that would otherwise have gone to landfill.

Useful Link

COTTON CONTAINS AT LEAST 70% RECYCLED FIBRE OR MATERIAL CERTIFIED TO GRS GLOBAL RECYCLED STANDARD

Raw Material

Cotton

STEP Value

COTTON Contains at least 70% Recycled Fibre or Material certified to GRS Global Recycled Standard

What Is This Fibre?

Cotton is a natural fibre derived from cotton plants. It is a staple fibre, which means it is composed of different, varying lengths of fibres. The term "cotton" refers to the part of the cotton plant that grows in the boll—the encasing for the fluffy cotton fibres. Cotton is spun into yarn that is then woven to create a soft, durable fabric.

Why This Has Been Chosen As A 'More Sustainable' Attribute?

Recycled fibres/materials have been used rather than conventional sources - this could be either pre or post consumer waste.

3rd Party Standard

Global Recycled Standard (GRS)

What Stage Of Supply Chain Needs To Be Certified?

Yarn Supplier (if no fabric stage) or Fabric Supplier

For certain product types it may be the Fibre Stage e.g. Filling in Bedding/Cushions/Jackets etc (This should be agreed with E&S before any claims are made)

Documentation/Evidence Required

Scope Certificate and Transaction Certificates for every PO

Process For Evidence Collection (Own Brand Only)

Evidence must be sent to the Raw Materials inbox (raw_materials_sustainability@johnlewis.co.uk)

This data is then recorded on cotton dashboards (if evidence is received)

Evidence must also be uploaded against the Sustainability Claim in the Product Technical File on TrackVision (or SGS if the supplier is yet to transition)

Requirement In Order To Call This Out With A 'More Sustainable' Product Tag

Recycled (cotton) content of the product must be over 70%

Online Copy (Boilerplate)

Contains at least 70% recycled cotton. Recycled fibres and materials are made from waste that would otherwise have gone to landfill.

Useful Link

COTTON CONTAINS MORE THAN 40% FIBRE OR MATERIAL CERTIFIED TO RCS

Raw Material

Cotton

STEP Value

COTTON Contains at least 40% Fibre or Material certified to RCS Recycled Content Standard

What Is This Fibre

Cotton is a natural fibre derived from cotton plants. It is a staple fibre, which means it is composed of different, varying lengths of fibres. The term "cotton" refers to the part of the cotton plant that grows in the boll—the encasing for the fluffy cotton fibres. Cotton is spun into yarn that is then woven to create a soft, durable fabric.

Why This Has Been Chosen As A 'More Sustainable' Attribute?

Recycled fibres/materials have been used rather than conventional sources - this could be either pre or post consumer waste.

3rd Party Standard

Recycled Claim Standard (RCS)

*John Lewis's preference is to use GRS but will accept RCS if GRS is not possible.

What Stage Of Supply Chain Needs To Be Certified

Yarn Supplier (if no fabric stage) or Fabric Supplier

For certain product types it may be the Fibre Stage e.g. Filling in Bedding/Cushions/Jackets etc (This should be agreed with E&S before any claims are made)

Documentation/Evidence Required

Scope Certificate and Transaction Certificates for every PO

Process For Evidence Collection (Own Brand Only)

Evidence must be sent to the Raw Materials inbox (raw materials sustainability@johnlewis.co.uk)

This data is then recorded on cotton dashboards (if evidence is received)

Evidence must also be uploaded against the Sustainability Claim in the Product Technical File on TrackVision (or SGS if the supplier is yet to transition)

Requirement In Order To Call This Out With A 'More Sustainable' Product Tag

Recycled (cotton) content of the product must be over 40%

Online Copy (Boilerplate)

Contains at least 40% recycled cotton. Recycled fibres and materials are made from waste that would otherwise have gone to landfill.

Useful Link

RCS Standard

COTTON CONTAINS AT LEAST 70% FIBRE OR MATERIAL CERTIFIED TO RCS RECYCLED CONTENT STANDARD

Raw Material

Cotton

STEP Value

COTTON Contains at least 70% Fibre or Material certified to RCS Recycled Content Standard

What Is This Fibre

Cotton is a natural fibre derived from cotton plants. It is a staple fibre, which means it is composed of different, varying lengths of fibres. The term "cotton" refers to the part of the cotton plant that grows in the boll—the encasing for the fluffy cotton fibres. Cotton is spun into yarn that is then woven to create a soft, durable fabric.

Why This Has Been Chosen As A 'More Sustainable' Attribute?

Recycled fibres/materials have been used rather than conventional sources - this could be either pre or post consumer waste.

3rd Party Standard

Recycled Claim Standard (RCS)

*John Lewis's preference is to use GRS but will accept RCS if GRS is not possible.

What Stage Of Supply Chain Needs To Be Certified

Yarn Supplier (if no fabric stage) or Fabric Supplier

For certain product types it may be the Fibre Stage e.g. Filling in Bedding/Cushions/Jackets etc (This should be agreed with E&S before any claims are made)

Documentation/Evidence Required

Scope Certificate and Transaction Certificates for every PO

Process For Evidence Collection (Own Brand Only)

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This data is then recorded on cotton dashboards (if evidence is received)

Evidence must also be uploaded against the Sustainability Claim in the Product Technical File on TrackVision (or SGS if the supplier is yet to transition)

Requirement In Order To Call This Out With A 'More Sustainable' Product Tag

Recycled (cotton) content of the product must be over 70%

Online Copy (Boilerplate)

Contains at least 70% recycled cotton. Recycled fibres and materials are made from waste that would otherwise have gone to landfill.

Useful Link

RCS Standard

COTTON GOTS GLOBAL ORGANIC TEXTILES STANDARD CERTIFIED PRODUCT

Raw Material

Cotton

STEP Value

COTTON GOTS Global Organic Textiles Standard certified product

What Is This Fibre

Cotton is a natural fibre derived from cotton plants. It is a staple fibre, which means it is composed of different, varying lengths of fibres. The term "cotton" refers to the part of the cotton plant that grows in the boll—the encasing for the fluffy cotton fibres. Cotton is spun into yarn that is then woven to create a soft, durable fabric.

Why This Has Been Chosen As A 'More Sustainable' Attribute?

This product has been made using organic fibres.

GOTS is the worldwide leading textile processing standard for organic fibres.

This standard assesses the social and environmental standards across the supply chain, from fibre to product.

Note: It is preferable to use GOTS organic certification, rather than the Organic Content Standard, where possible.

3rd Party Standard

Global Organic Textiles Standard (GOTS) (Fully certified)

What Stage Of Supply Chain Needs To Be Certified

Own-Brand Product - Last Legal owner of Product before John Lewis Branded Product - Last Legal owner of Product before the Brand

Documentation/Evidence Required

Scope Certificate and Transaction Certificates for every PO

Process For Evidence Collection (Own Brand Only)

Evidence must be sent to the Raw Materials inbox (raw materials sustainability@johnlewis.co.uk)

This data is then recorded on cotton dashboards (if evidence is received)

Evidence must also be uploaded against the Sustainability Claim in the Product Technical File on TrackVision (or SGS if the supplier is yet to transition)

Requirement In Order To Call This Out With A 'More Sustainable' Product Tag

Product must meet Requirements of the Standard and be labelled accordingly.

If the cotton content of the product is over 95% it should be labelled as "Organic" under the logo

If the cotton content of the product is over 70%, it should be labelled as "Made with x% organic materials" under the logo

*If your supplier is interested in producing "organic-in conversion" then please contact your E&S specialist for more details. (See page 3 in standard)

Online Copy (Boilerplate)

Made using organic cotton.

It's Global Organic Textile Standard (GOTS) certified, an assurance that it contains at least 70% organically grown natural fibres and has been produced without the use of hazardous chemicals commonly used in fibre production and textile processing.

Useful Link

GOTS standard

Conditions of use of GOTS signs

COTTON CONTAINS AT LEAST 40% ORGANIC FIBRE OR MATERIAL CERTIFIED TO GLOBAL ORGANIC TEXTILES STANDARD

Raw Material

Cotton

STEP Value

COTTON Contains at least 40% Organic Fibre or Material certified to Global Organic Textiles Standard

What Is This Fibre

Cotton is a natural fibre derived from cotton plants. It is a staple fibre, which means it is composed of different, varying lengths of fibres. The term "cotton" refers to the part of the cotton plant that grows in the boll—the encasing for the fluffy cotton fibres. Cotton is spun into yarn that is then woven to create a soft, durable fabric.

Why This Has Been Chosen As A 'More Sustainable' Attribute?

This product contains organic fibres, which helps support more sustainable farming practices.

3rd Party Standard

Global Organic Textiles Standard (GOTS)

(Final stage of supply chain is not currently certified)

What Stage Of Supply Chain Needs To Be Certified

Yarn Supplier (if no fabric stage) or Fabric Supplier

For certain product types it may be the Fibre Stage e.g. Filling in Bedding/Cushions/Jackets etc (This should be agreed with E&S before any claims are made)

Documentation/Evidence Required

Scope Certificate and Transaction Certificates for every PO

Process For Evidence Collection (Own Brand Only)

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Requirement In Order To Call This Out With A 'More Sustainable' Product Tag

Organic Content (cotton) of the product must be over 40%

100% of the cotton content must be organic

Online Copy (Boilerplate)

Contains at least 40% organic cotton.

Organic fibres are grown using farming practices that safeguard soil health and biodiversity, without the use of genetically modified seeds, and with little to no pesticides or synthetic fertilisers.

Useful Link

GOTS Standard

Conditions of use of GOTS signs

COTTON CONTAINS AT LEAST 70% ORGANIC FIBRE OR MATERIAL CERTIFIED TO GLOBAL ORGANIC TEXTILES STANDARD

Raw Material

Cotton

STEP Value

COTTON Contains at least 70% Organic Fibre or Material certified to Global Organic Textiles Standard

What Is This Fibre

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This product contains organic fibres, which helps support more sustainable farming practises.

3rd Party Standard

Global Organic Textiles Standard (GOTS)

(Without the Final Product Manufacturer or Trader being certified)

What Stage Of Supply Chain Needs To Be Certified

Yarn Supplier (if no fabric stage) or Fabric Supplier

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Requirement In Order To Call This Out With A 'More Sustainable' Product Tag

Organic Content (cotton) of the product must be over 70%

100% of the cotton content must be organic

Online Copy (Boilerplate)

Contains at least 70% organic cotton.

Organic fibres are grown using farming practices that safeguard soil health and biodiversity, without the use of genetically modified seeds, and with little to no pesticides or synthetic fertilisers.

Useful Link

GOTS Standard

Conditions of use of GOTS signs

COTTON CONTAINS AT LEAST 40% ORGANIC FIBRE OR MATERIAL CERTIFIED TO OCS ORGANIC CONTENT STANDARD

Raw Material

Cotton

STEP Value

COTTON Contains at least 40% Organic Fibre or Material certified to OCS Organic Content Standard

What Is This Fibre

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Why This Has Been Chosen As A 'More Sustainable' Attribute?

This product contains organic fibres, which helps support more sustainable farming practises.

3rd Party Standard

Organic Content Standard (OCS)

(Fully certified OR certified Without the Final Product Manufacturer or Trader being certified)

*John Lewis's preference is to use GOTS but will accept OCS if GOTS is not possible

What Stage Of Supply Chain Needs To Be Certified

Yarn Supplier (if no fabric stage) or Fabric Supplier

For certain product types it may be the Fibre Stage e.g. Filling in Bedding/Cushions/Jackets etc (This should be agreed with E&S before any claims are made)

Documentation/Evidence Required

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Useful Link

QUICK GUIDE TO OCS
STANDARDS CLAIMS POLICY

COTTON CONTAINS AT LEAST 70% ORGANIC FIBRE OR MATERIAL CERTIFIED TO OCS ORGANIC CONTENT STANDARD

Raw Material

Cotton

STEP Value

COTTON Contains at least 70% Organic Fibre or Material certified to OCS Organic Content Standard

What Is This Fibre

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For certain product types it may be the Fibre Stage e.g. Filling in Bedding/Cushions/Jackets etc (This should be agreed with E&S before any claims are made)

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Online Copy (Boilerplate)

Contains at least 70% organic cotton.

Organic fibres are grown using farming practices that safeguard soil health and biodiversity, without the use of genetically modified seeds, and with little to no pesticides or synthetic fertilisers.

Useful Link

QUICK GUIDE TO OCS

STANDARDS CLAIMS POLICY

COTTON SUPPORTS BETTER COTTON

Raw Material

Cotton

STEP Value

COTTON Supports Better Cotton

What Is This Fibre

Cotton is a natural fibre derived from cotton plants. It is a staple fibre, which means it is composed of different, varying lengths of fibres. The term "cotton" refers to the part of the cotton plant that grows in the boll—the encasing for the fluffy cotton fibres. Cotton is spun into yarn that is then woven to create a soft, durable fabric.

Why This Has Been Chosen As A 'More Sustainable' Attribute?

Better Cotton is a not-for-profit organisation which exists to help cotton communities survive and thrive, while protecting and restoring the environment.

Better Cotton is sourced via a principle of "mass balance" and therefore, this product may not contain Better Cotton. Better Cotton Farmers benefit in equivalent volumes to those we source.

3rd Party Standard

Better Cotton

What Stage Of Supply Chain Needs To Be Certified

Supplier should be users of the Better Cotton Platform (if this is not possible it can be the mill)

Documentation/Evidence Required

Transfer of BCCU's to John Lewis via the Better Cotton Platform (BCP) from the supplier (or if not possible from the mill)
PLEASE NOTE: John Lewis are Better Cotton members and pay for each BCCU we receive. Our John Lewis Account number is 1000280-1.
Here is the link to Cotton Policy for more details.

Process For Evidence Collection (Own Brand Only)

Evidence is received via the Better Cotton Platform (BCP) and is recorded on our (internal) dashboards

Requirement In Order To Call This Out With A 'More Sustainable' Product Tag

Cotton Content of the product must be over 40% and be the Majority Fibre*

BCCUs (Better Cotton Claim Units) to be transferred for 100% of the cotton content

*Please Note: The 40% ""majority fibre"" is based on what could be made from cotton E.G. For a shoe we would only require the upper to be majority cotton, as the sole of the shoe couldn't be made from cotton.

Online Copy (Boilerplate)

By choosing our cotton products, you're supporting our investment in Better Cotton's mission to help cotton communities survive and thrive while protecting and restoring the environment.

The cotton in this product is sourced via a system of mass balance and therefore may not contain Better Cotton. However, whilst Better Cotton may not be physically traceable to this product, Better Cotton farmers have benefited from the demand for their cotton in equivalent volumes to those used in it. bettercotton.org/massbalance (when using the logo place url under it)

Useful Link

Better Cotton Claims Framework

FEATHER & DOWN DOWNPASS CERTIFIED FILLING

Raw Material

Feather & Down

STEP Value

FEATHER & DOWN Downpass Certified Filling

What Is This Fibre

A bird's plumage is made up of two basic types of feather: vaned feathers which cover the exterior of the bird's body and down feathers which are concealed underneath the vaned feathers: Feather & Down. For filled products F&D will largely be from geese or ducks.

Why This Has Been Chosen As A 'More Sustainable' Attribute?

Products labelled with the DOWNPASS guarantee high quality and the certainty that down and feathers used as filling material are ethically sourced and come from tightly controlled and traceable supply chains - i.e. that the down and feathers can come from the food industry where animals have been farmed humanely.

3rd Party Standard

Downpass 2017

What Stage Of Supply Chain Needs To Be Certified

Own-Brand Product - Last Legal owner of Product before John Lewis Branded Product - Last Legal owner of Product before the Brand"

Documentation/Evidence Required

Downpass Certificate

Unique/individually numbered sew in label in product

Process For Evidence Collection (Own Brand Only)

Evidence must be sent to the Raw Materials inbox

(raw_materials_sustainability@johnlewis.co.uk)

Live Products & product weights must be reconfirmed by suppliers seasonally (managed by E&S and Q&T).

Evidence must also be uploaded against the Sustainability claim in the Product Technical File on TrackVision (or SGS if the supplier is yet to transition)

Requirement In Order To Call This Out With A 'More Sustainable' Product Tag

100% feather & down must be certified to Downpass

Product must meet Requirements of the Standard and be labelled accordingly

PLEASE NOTE: Mixing with recycled feather and down IS NOT permitted

Online Copy (Boilerplate)

100% of the feather and down in this product is DOWNPASS certified, a guarantee that it's high-quality and has been sourced from tightly controlled supply chains that safeguard animal welfare.

Useful Link

Downpass

FEATHER & DOWN RDS RESPONSIBLE DOWN STANDARD CERTIFIED

Raw Material

Feather & Down

STEP Value

FEATHER & DOWN RDS Responsible Down Standard Certified

What Is This Fibre

A bird's plumage is made up of two basic types of feather: vaned feathers which cover the exterior of the bird's body and down feathers which are concealed underneath the vaned feathers: Feather & Down. For filled products F&D will largely be from geese or ducks.

Why This Has Been Chosen As A 'More Sustainable' Attribute?

The RDS standard is used to ensure that Feather & Down (including Eider Down) is responsibly sourced as a by-product of the food industry and not from live plucked or force fed sources.

3rd Party Standard

Responsible Down Standard (RDS)

What Stage Of Supply Chain Needs To Be Certified

Own-Brand Product - All stages of the supply chain INCLUDING John Lewis*.

Branded Product - All stages of the supply chain INCLUDING the Brand.

*As of November 2023 John Lewis became certified to the RDS standard.

Documentation/Evidence Required

Scope Certificate and Transaction Certificates for every PO

Process For Evidence Collection (Own Brand Only)

Please contact the: raw_materials_sustainability@johnlewis.co.uk to discuss any RDS Certified Products.

See this link for the own brand process to be followed:

Evidence must also be uploaded against the Sustainability claim in the Product Technical File on TrackVision (or SGS if the supplier is yet to transition)

Requirement In Order To Call This Out With A 'More Sustainable' Product Tag

100% feather & down must be certified

Product must meet Requirements of the Standard and be labelled accordingly

PLEASE NOTE: Mixing with GRS/RCS feather & down is permitted

Online Copy (Boilerplate)

100% of the feather and down in this product is certified to the Responsible Down Standard (RDS), an assurance that it comes from tightly controlled supply chains that protect animal welfare.

Useful Link

RDS Standard

FEATHER & DOWN GRS CERTIFIED PRODUCT

Raw Material

Feather & Down

STEP Value

FEATHER & DOWN GRS Global Recycled Standard certified product

What Is This Fibre

A bird's plumage is made up of two basic types of feather: vaned feathers which cover the exterior of the bird's body and down feathers which are concealed underneath the vaned feathers: Feather & Down. For filled products F&D will largely be from geese or ducks.

Why This Has Been Chosen As A 'More Sustainable' Attribute?

Recycled fibres/materials have been used rather than conventional sources - this could be either pre or post consumer waste. The full supply chain from fibre to product has also been certified to the Global Recycled Standard, which assessing the social and environmental standards across the supply chain.

3rd Party Standard

Global Recycled Standard (GRS)

What Stage Of Supply Chain Needs To Be Certified

Own-Brand Product - All stages of the supply chain INCLUDING John Lewis*.

Branded Product - All stages of the supply chain INCLUDING the Brand.

*As of November 2023 John Lewis became certified to the GRS standard.

Documentation/Evidence Required

Scope Certificate and Transaction Certificates for every PO

Process For Evidence Collection (Own Brand Only)

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See this link for the own brand process to be followed.

Evidence must also be uploaded against the Sustainability claim in the Product Technical File on TrackVision (or SGS if the supplier is yet to transition)

Requirement In Order To Call This Out With A 'More Sustainable' Product Tag

100 of the Feather & Down must be certified but this can be mixed with Responsible Down Standard certified Feather & Down

Online Copy (Boilerplate)

Made using certified recycled materials.

It's Global Recycled Standard (GRS) certified, an assurance that it's been made using recycled materials from waste that would otherwise have gone to landfill.

Useful Links

GRS Standard

GLASS GRS GLOBAL RECYCLED STANDARD CERTIFIED PRODUCT

Raw Material

Glass

STEP Value

GLASS GRS Global Recycled Standard certified product

What Is This Fibre

Glass is made from natural and abundant raw materials (sand, soda ash and limestone) that are melted at very high temperature to form a new material: glass.

Why This Has Been Chosen As A 'More Sustainable' Attribute?

Recycled glass has been used rather than virgin glass - this could be either pre or post consumer waste.

The full supply chain has to be certified to the Global Recycled Standard, which assessing the social and environmental standards across the supply chain.

3rd Party Standard

Global Recycled Standard (GRS)

What Stage Of Supply Chain Needs To Be Certified

Own-Brand Product - All stages of the supply chain INCLUDING John Lewis*.

Branded Product - All stages of the supply chain INCLUDING the Brand.

*As of November 2023 John Lewis became certified to the GRS standard.

Documentation/Evidence Required

Scope Certificate and Transaction Certificates for every PO

Process For Evidence Collection (Own Brand Only)

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See this link for the own brand process to be followed.

Evidence must also be uploaded against the Sustainability claim in the Product Technical File on TrackVision (or SGS if the supplier is yet to transition)

Requirement In Order To Call This Out With A 'More Sustainable' Product Tag

Product must meet Requirements of the Standard and be labelled accordingly

"The product contains at least 50% GRS Certified Material (this may include either Pre-Consumer Content, Post-Consumer Content, or a combination)"

Online Copy (Boilerplate)

Made using certified recycled materials. It's Global Recycled Standard (GRS) certified, an assurance that it's been made using recycled materials from waste that would otherwise have gone to landfill.

Useful Links

GLASS CONTAINS AT LEAST 40% RECYCLED GLASS CERTIFIED TO GRS

Raw Material

Glass

STEP Value

GLASS Contains at least 40% Recycled Glass certified to GRS Global Recycled Standard

What Is This Fibre

Glass is made from natural and abundant raw materials (sand, soda ash and limestone) that are melted at very high temperature to form a new material: glass.

Why This Has Been Chosen As A 'More Sustainable' Attribute?

Recycled glass has been used rather virgin glass - this could be either pre or post consumer waste.

3rd Party Standard

Global Recycled Standard (GRS)

What Stage Of Supply Chain Needs To Be Certified

Raw materials supplier

Documentation/Evidence Required

Scope Certificate and Transaction Certificates for every PO

Process For Evidence Collection (Own Brand Only)

Evidence must also be uploaded against the Sustainability Claim in the Product Technical File on TrackVision (or SGS if the supplier is yet to transition)

Requirement In Order To Call This Out With A 'More Sustainable' Product Tag

Recycled Content of the product must be over 40%

Online Copy (Boilerplate)

Contains at least 40% recycled glass.

Recycled fibres and materials are made from waste that would otherwise have gone to landfill.

Useful Links

GLASS CONTAINS AT LEAST 70% RECYCLED GLASS CERTIFIED TO GRS

Raw Material

Glass

STEP Value

Glass Contains at least 70% Recycled Glass certified to GRS Global Recycled

What Is This Fibre

Glass is made from natural and abundant raw materials (sand, soda ash and limestone) that are melted at very high temperature to form a new material: glass.

Why This Has Been Chosen As A 'More Sustainable' Attribute?

Recycled glass has been used rather than virgin glass - this could be either pre or post consumer waste.

The full supply chain has to be certified to the Global Recycled Standard, which assessing the social and environmental standards across the supply chain.

3rd Party Standard

Global Recycled Standard (GRS)

What Stage Of Supply Chain Needs To Be Certified

Raw materials supplier

Documentation/Evidence Required

Scope Certificate and Transaction Certificates for every PO

Process For Evidence Collection (Own Brand Only)

Evidence must also be uploaded against the Sustainability Claim in the Product Technical File on TrackVision (or SGS if the supplier is yet to transition)

Requirement In Order To Call This Out With A 'More Sustainable' Product Tag

Recycled Content of the product must be over 70%

Online Copy (Boilerplate)

Contains at least 70% recycled glass.

Recycled fibres and materials are made from waste that would otherwise have gone to landfill.

Useful Links

GLASS CONTAINS AT LEAST 40% RECYCLED GLASS CERTIFIED TO RCS

Raw Material

Glass

STEP Value

GLASS Contains at least 40% Recycled Glass certified to RCS Recycled Content Standard

What Is This Fibre

Glass is made from natural and abundant raw materials (sand, soda ash and limestone) that are melted at very high temperature to form a new material: glass.

Why This Has Been Chosen As A 'More Sustainable' Attribute?

Recycled glass has been used rather virgin glass - this could be either pre or post consumer waste.

3rd Party Standard

Recycled Claim Standard (RCS)

*John Lewis's preference is to use GRS but will accept RCS if GRS is not possible.

What Stage Of Supply Chain Needs To Be Certified

Raw materials supplier

Documentation/Evidence Required

Scope Certificate and Transaction Certificates for every PO

Process For Evidence Collection (Own Brand Only)

Evidence must also be uploaded against the Sustainability Claim in the Product Technical File on TrackVision (or SGS if the supplier is yet to transition

Requirement In Order To Call This Out With A 'More Sustainable' Product Tag

Recycled Content of the product must be over 40%

Online Copy (Boilerplate)

Contains at least 40% recycled glass.

Recycled materials are made from waste that would otherwise have gone to landfill.

Useful Links

GLASS CONTAINS AT LEAST 70% RECYCLED GLASS CERTIFIED TO RCS

Raw Material

Glass

STEP Value

GLASS Contains at least 70% Recycled Glass certified to RCS Recycled Content Standard

What Is This Fibre

Glass is made from natural and abundant raw materials (sand, soda ash and limestone) that are melted at very high temperature to form a new material: glass.

Why This Has Been Chosen As A 'More Sustainable' Attribute?

Recycled glass has been used rather virgin glass - this could be either pre or post consumer waste.

3rd Party Standard

Recycled Claim Standard (RCS)

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What Stage Of Supply Chain Needs To Be Certified

Raw materials supplier

Documentation/Evidence Required

Scope Certificate and Transaction Certificates for every PO

Process For Evidence Collection (Own Brand Only)

Evidence must also be uploaded against the Sustainability Claim in the Product Technical File on TrackVision (or SGS if the supplier is yet to transition)

Requirement In Order To Call This Out With A 'More Sustainable' Product Tag

Recycled Content of the product must be over 70%

Online Copy (Boilerplate)

Contains at least 70% recycled glass.

Recycled materials are made from waste that would otherwise have gone to landfill.

Useful Link

HARD PLASTICS GRS GLOBAL RECYCLED STANDARD CERTIFIED PRODUCT

Raw Material

Hard Plastics

STEP Value

HARD PLASTICS GRS Global Recycled Standard certified product

What Is This Fibre

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Why This Has Been Chosen As A 'More Sustainable' Attribute?

Recycled plastic has been used rather than virgin plastic - this could be either pre or post consumer waste.

The full supply chain has to be certified to the Global Recycled Standard, which assessing the social and environmental standards across the supply chain.

3rd Party Standard

Global Recycled Standard (GRS)

What Stage Of Supply Chain Needs To Be Certified

Own-Brand Product - Last Legal owner of Product before John Lewis
Branded Product - Last Legal owner of Product before the Brand
PLEASE NOTE: From 1st April 2023, John Lewis and the Brand will need to be certified

Documentation/Evidence Required

Scope Certificate and Transaction Certificates for every PO

Process For Evidence Collection (Own Brand Only)

Please contact the: raw_materials_sustainability@johnlewis.co.uk to discuss any GRS Certified Products.

See this link for the own brand process to be followed:

Evidence must also be uploaded against the Sustainability claim in the Product Technical File on TrackVision (or SGS if the supplier is yet to transition)

Requirement In Order To Call This Out With A 'More Sustainable' Product Tag

Product must meet Requirements of the Standard and be labelled accordingly

"The product contains at least 50% GRS Certified Material (this may include either Pre-Consumer Content, Post-Consumer Content, or a combination)"

Online Copy (Boilerplate)

Made using certified recycled materials.

It's Global Recycled Standard (GRS) certified, an assurance that it's been made using recycled materials from waste that would otherwise have gone to landfill.

Useful Link

HARD PLASTICS CONTAINS AT LEAST 40% RECYCLED HARD PLASTICS CERTIFIED TO GRS GLOBAL RECYCLED STANDARD

Raw Material

Hard Plastics

STEP Value

HARD PLASTICS Contains at least 40% Recycled Hard Plastics certified to GRS Global Recycled Standard

What Is This Fibre

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Why This Has Been Chosen As A 'More Sustainable' Attribute?

Recycled plastic has been used rather than virgin sources - this could be either pre or post consumer waste.

3rd Party Standard

Global Recycled Standard (GRS)

What Stage Of Supply Chain Needs To Be Certified

Raw materials supplier

Documentation/Evidence Required

Scope Certificate and Transaction Certificates for every PO

Process For Evidence Collection (Own Brand Only)

Evidence must also be uploaded against the Sustainability Claim in the Product Technical File on TrackVision (or SGS if the supplier is yet to transition)

Requirement In Order To Call This Out With A 'More Sustainable' Product Tag

Recycled Content of the product must be over 40%

Online Copy (Boilerplate)

Contains at least 40% recycled plastic. Recycled fibres and materials are made from waste that would otherwise have gone to landfill.

Useful Link

HARD PLASTICS CONTAINS AT LEAST 70% RECYCLED HARD PLASTICS CERTIFIED TO GRS

Raw Material

Hard Plastics

STEP Value

HARD PLASTICS Contains at least 70% Recycled Hard Plastics certified to GRS Global Recycled Standard

What Is This Fibre

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Why This Has Been Chosen As A 'More Sustainable' Attribute?

Recycled plastic has been used rather than virgin sources - this could be either pre or post consumer waste.

3rd Party Standard

Global Recycled Standard (GRS)

What Stage Of Supply Chain Needs To Be Certified

Raw materials supplier

Documentation/Evidence Required

Scope Certificate and Transaction Certificates for every PO

Process For Evidence Collection (Own Brand Only)

Evidence must also be uploaded against the Sustainability Claim in the Product Technical File on TrackVision (or SGS if the supplier is yet to transition)

Requirement In Order To Call This Out With A 'More Sustainable' Product Tag

Recycled Content of the product must be over 70%

Online Copy (Boilerplate)

Contains at least 70% recycled plastic. Recycled fibres and materials are made from waste that would otherwise have gone to landfill.

Useful Link

HARD PLASTICS CONTAINS AT LEAST 40% RECYCLED HARD PLASTICS CERTIFIED TO RCS RECYCLED CONTENT STANDARD

Raw Material

Hard Plastics

STEP Value

HARD PLASTICS Contains at least 40% Recycled Hard Plastics certified to RCS Recycled Content Standard

What Is This Fibre

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Why This Has Been Chosen As A 'More Sustainable' Attribute?

Recycled plastic has been used rather than virgin sources - this could be either pre or post consumer waste.

3rd Party Standard

Recycled Claim Standard (RCS)

*John Lewis's preference is to use GRS but will accept RCS if GRS is not possible.

What Stage Of Supply Chain Needs To Be Certified

Raw materials supplier

Documentation/Evidence Required

Scope Certificate and Transaction Certificates for every PO

Process For Evidence Collection (Own Brand Only)

Evidence must also be uploaded against the Sustainability Claim in the Product Technical File on TrackVision (or SGS if the supplier is yet to transition)

Requirement In Order To Call This Out With A 'More Sustainable' Product Tag

Recycled Content of the product must be over 40%

Online Copy (Boilerplate)

Contains at least 40% recycled plastic.

Recycled materials are made from waste that would otherwise have gone to landfill.

Useful Link

HARD PLASTICS CONTAINS AT LEAST 70% RECYCLED HARD PLASTICS CERTIFIED TO RCS RECYCLED CONTENT STANDARD

Raw Material

Hard Plastics

STEP Value

HARD PLASTICS Contains at least 70% Recycled Hard Plastics certified to RCS Recycled Content Standard

What Is This Fibre

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Why This Has Been Chosen As A 'More Sustainable' Attribute?

Recycled plastic has been used rather than virgin sources - this could be either pre or post consumer waste.

3rd Party Standard

Recycled Claim Standard (RCS)

*John Lewis's preference is to use GRS but will accept RCS if GRS is not possible.

What Stage Of Supply Chain Needs To Be Certified

Raw materials supplier

Documentation/Evidence Required

Scope Certificate and Transaction Certificates for every PO

Process For Evidence Collection (Own Brand Only)

Evidence must also be uploaded against the Sustainability Claim in the Product Technical File on TrackVision (or SGS if the supplier is yet to transition)

Requirement In Order To Call This Out With A 'More Sustainable' Product Tag

Recycled Content of the product must be over 70%

Online Copy (Boilerplate)

Contains at least 70% recycled plastic. Recycled materials are made from waste that would otherwise have gone to landfill.

Useful Link

LEATHER LEATHER WORKING GROUP TANNERY

Raw Material

Leather

STEP Value

LEATHER Leather Working Group Tannery

What Is This Fibre

Leather is a strong and durable material obtained from the tanning, or chemical treatment, of animal skins and hides to prevent decay. The most common leathers come from cattle, sheep and goats.

Why This Has Been Chosen As A 'More Sustainable' Attribute?

Leather Working Group certification is TBD as a more sustainable attribute, as LWG tanneries can still carry a significant risk of using leather from deforested areas

3rd Party Standard

Leather Working Group (LWG)

What Stage Of Supply Chain Needs To Be Certified

Tannery must be LWG Certified

Documentation/Evidence Required

TBC

Process For Evidence Collection (Own Brand Only)

There is a spreadsheet holding a list of tanneries used and their LWG status

Requirement In Order To Call This Out With A 'More Sustainable' Product Tag

TBC (We may be able to use a generic claim, but need to meet criteria and complete sourcing declaration)

Customer Facing Claim on Product Specification Online

Supporting responsible leather manufacturing through the Leather Working Group

Useful Link

LWG Claims Framework
LWG link to annual sourcing declaration form

LEATHER GRS GLOBAL RECYCLED STANDARD CERTIFIED PRODUCT

Raw Material

Leather

STEP Value

LEATHER GRS Global Recycled Standard Certified Product

What Is This Fibre

Leather is a strong and durable material obtained from the tanning, or chemical treatment, of animal skins and hides to prevent decay. The most common leathers come from cattle, sheep and goats.

Why This Has Been Chosen As A 'More Sustainable' Attribute?

Recycled leather has been used rather than conventional sources - this could be either pre or post consumer waste.

The full supply chain from fibre to product has also been certified to the Global Recycled Standard, which assessing the social and environmental standards across the supply chain.

3rd Party Standard

Global Recycled Standard (GRS)

What Stage Of Supply Chain Needs To Be Certified

Own-Brand Product - All stages of the supply chain INCLUDING John Lewis*.

Branded Product - All stages of the supply chain INCLUDING the Brand.

*As of November 2023 John Lewis became certified to the GRS standard.

Documentation/Evidence Required

Scope Certificate and Transaction Certificates for every PO

Process For Evidence Collection (Own Brand Only)

Please contact the: raw materials sustainability@johnlewis.co.uk to discuss any GRS Certified Products.

See this link for the own brand process to be followed.

Evidence must also be uploaded against the Sustainability claim in the Product Technical File on TrackVision (or SGS if the supplier is yet to transition)

Requirement In Order To Call This Out With A 'More Sustainable' Product Tag

Recycled content of the product must be over 50%

Product must meet Requirements of the Standard and be labelled accordingly

"The product contains at least 50% GRS Certified Material (this may include either Pre-Consumer Content, Post-Consumer Content, or a combination)"

Online Copy (Boilerplate)

Made using certified recycled materials.

It's Global Recycled Standard (GRS) certified, an assurance that it's been made using recycled materials from waste that would otherwise have gone to landfill.

Useful Links

LEATHER CONTAINS AT LEAST 40% RECYCLED LEATHER CERTIFIED TO GRS GLOBAL RECYCLED STANDARD

Raw Material

Leather

STEP Value

LEATHER Contains at least 40% Recycled Leather certified to GRS Global Recycled Standard

What Is This Fibre

Leather is a strong and durable material obtained from the tanning, or chemical treatment, of animal skins and hides to prevent decay. The most common leathers come from cattle, sheep and goats.

Why This Has Been Chosen As A 'More Sustainable' Attribute?

Recycled materials have been used rather than conventional sources - this could be either pre or post consumer waste.

3rd Party Standard

Global Recycled Standard (GRS)

What Stage Of Supply Chain Needs To Be Certified

Fabric Supplier

Documentation/Evidence Required

Scope Certificate and Transaction Certificates for every PO

Process For Evidence Collection (Own Brand Only)

Evidence must also be uploaded against the Sustainability Claim in the Product Technical File on TrackVision (or SGS if the supplier is yet to transition)

Requirement In Order To Call This Out With A 'More Sustainable' Product Tag

Recycled content of the product must be over 40%

Online Copy (Boilerplate)

Contains at least 40% recycled leather.

Recycled fibres and materials are made from waste that would otherwise have gone to landfill.

Useful Links

LEATHER CONTAINS AT LEAST 70% RECYCLED LEATHER CERTIFIED TO GRS

Raw Material

Leather

STEP Value

LEATHER Contains at least 70% Recycled Leather certified to GRS Global Recycled Standard

What Is This Fibre

Leather is a strong and durable material obtained from the tanning, or chemical treatment, of animal skins and hides to prevent decay. The most common leathers come from cattle, sheep and goats.

Why This Has Been Chosen As A 'More Sustainable' Attribute?

Recycled materials have been used rather than conventional sources - this could be either pre or post consumer waste.

3rd Party Standard

Global Recycled Standard (GRS)

What Stage Of Supply Chain Needs To Be Certified

Fabric Supplier

Documentation/Evidence Required

Scope Certificate and Transaction Certificates for every PO

Process For Evidence Collection (Own Brand Only)

Evidence must also be uploaded against the Sustainability Claim in the Product Technical File on TrackVision (or SGS if the supplier is yet to transition)

Requirement In Order To Call This Out With A 'More Sustainable' Product Tag

Recycled content of the product must be over 70%

Online Copy (Boilerplate)

Contains at least 70% recycled leather.

Recycled fibres and materials are made from waste that would otherwise have gone to landfill.

Useful Links

LINEN GRS GLOBAL RECYCLED STANDARD CERTIFIED PRODUCT

Raw Material

Linen

STEP Value

LINEN GRS Global Recycled Standard certified product

What Is This Fibre

Linen is a textile made from the fibres of the flax plant.

Why This Has Been Chosen As A 'More Sustainable' Attribute?

Recycled fibres have been used rather than conventional sources - this could be either pre or post consumer waste.

The full supply chain from fibre to product has also been certified to the Global Recycled Standard, which assessing the social and environmental standards across the supply chain.

3rd Party Standard

Global Recycled Standard (GRS)

What Stage Of Supply Chain Needs To Be Certified

Own-Brand Product - All stages of the supply chain INCLUDING John Lewis*.

Branded Product - All stages of the supply chain INCLUDING the Brand.

*As of November 2023 John Lewis became certified to the GRS standard.

Documentation/Evidence Required

Scope Certificate and Transaction Certificates for every PO

Process For Evidence Collection (Own Brand Only)

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Evidence must also be uploaded against the Sustainability claim in the Product Technical File on TrackVision (or SGS if the supplier is yet to transition)

Requirement In Order To Call This Out With A 'More Sustainable' Product Tag

Recycled (cotton) content of the product must be over 50%

Product must meet Requirements of the Standard and be labelled accordingly

"The product contains at least 50% GRS Certified Material (this may include either Pre-Consumer Content, Post-Consumer Content, or a combination)"

Online Copy (Boilerplate)

Made using certified recycled materials.

It's Global Recycled Standard (GRS) certified, an assurance that it's been made using recycled materials from waste that would otherwise have gone to landfill.

Useful Link

LINEN CONTAINS AT LEAST 40% RECYCLED FIBRE OR MATERIAL CERTIFIED TO GRS GLOBAL RECYCLED STANDARD

Raw Material

Linen

STEP Value

LINEN Contains at least 40% Recycled Fibre or Material certified to GRS Global Recycled Standard

What Is This Fibre

Linen is a textile made from the fibres of the flax plant.

Why This Has Been Chosen As A 'More Sustainable' Attribute?

Recycled fibres have been used rather than conventional sources - this could be either pre or post consumer waste.

3rd Party Standard

Global Recycled Standard (GRS)

What Stage Of Supply Chain Needs To Be Certified

Yarn Supplier (if no fabric stage) or Fabric Supplier

For certain product types it may be the Fibre Stage e.g. Filling in Bedding/Cushions/Jackets etc (This should be agreed with E&S before any claims are made)

Documentation/Evidence Required

Scope Certificate and Transaction Certificates for every PO

Process For Evidence Collection (Own Brand Only)

Evidence must also be uploaded against the Sustainability Claim in the Product Technical File on TrackVision (or SGS if the supplier is yet to transition)

Requirement In Order To Call This Out With A 'More Sustainable' Product Tag

Recycled (cotton) content of the product must be over 40%

Online Copy (Boilerplate)

Contains at least 40% recycled linen.

Recycled fibres and materials are made from waste that would otherwise have gone to landfill.

Useful Link

LINEN CONTAINS AT LEAST 70% RECYCLED FIBRE OR MATERIAL CERTIFIED TO GRS GLOBAL RECYCLED STANDARD

Raw Material

Linen

STEP Value

LINEN Contains at least 70% Recycled Fibre or Material certified to GRS Global Recycled Standard

What Is This Fibre

Linen is a textile made from the fibres of the flax plant.

Why This Has Been Chosen As A 'More Sustainable' Attribute?

Recycled fibres/materials have been used rather than conventional sources - this could be either pre or post consumer waste.

3rd Party Standard

Global Recycled Standard (GRS)

What Stage Of Supply Chain Needs To Be Certified

Yarn Supplier (if no fabric stage) or Fabric Supplier

For certain product types it may be the Fibre Stage e.g. Filling in Bedding/Cushions/Jackets etc (This should be agreed with E&S before any claims are made)

Documentation/Evidence Required

Scope Certificate and Transaction Certificates for every PO

Process For Evidence Collection (Own Brand Only)

Evidence must also be uploaded against the Sustainability Claim in the Product Technical File on TrackVision (or SGS if the supplier is yet to transition)

Requirement In Order To Call This Out With A 'More Sustainable' Product Tag

Recycled (cotton) content of the product must be over 70%

Online Copy (Boilerplate)

Contains at least 70% recycled linen.

Recycled fibres and materials are made from waste that would otherwise have gone to landfill.

Useful Link

LINEN CONTAINS AT LEAST 40% RECYCLED FIBRE OR MATERIAL CERTIFIED TO RCS RECYCLED CONTENT STANDARD

Raw Material

Linen

STEP Value

LINEN Contains at least 40% Recycled Fibre or Material certified to RCS Recycled Content Standard

What Is This Fibre

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Why This Has Been Chosen As A 'More Sustainable' Attribute?

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3rd Party Standard

Recycled Claim Standard (RCS)

*John Lewis's preference is to use GRS but will accept RCS if GRS is not possible.

What Stage Of Supply Chain Needs To Be Certified

Yarn Supplier (if no fabric stage) or Fabric Supplier

For certain product types it may be the Fibre Stage e.g. Filling in Bedding/Cushions/Jackets etc (This should be agreed with E&S before any claims are made)

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Process For Evidence Collection (Own Brand Only)

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Requirement In Order To Call This Out With A 'More Sustainable' Product Tag

Recycled (linen) content of the product must be over 40%

Online Copy (Boilerplate)

Contains at least 40% recycled linen.

Recycled fibres and materials are made from waste that would otherwise have gone to landfill.

Useful Link

RCS Standard

LINEN CONTAINS AT LEAST 70% RECYCLED FIBRE OR MATERIAL CERTIFIED TO RCS RECYCLED CONTENT STANDARD

Raw Material

Linen

STEP Value

LINEN Contains at least 70% Recycled Fibre or Material certified to RCS Recycled Content Standard

What Is This Fibre

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What Stage Of Supply Chain Needs To Be Certified

Yarn Supplier (if no fabric stage) or Fabric Supplier

For certain product types it may be the Fibre Stage e.g. Filling in Bedding/Cushions/Jackets etc (This should be agreed with E&S before any claims are made)

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Requirement In Order To Call This Out With A 'More Sustainable' Product Tag

Recycled (linen) content of the product must be over 70%

Online Copy (Boilerplate)

Contains at least 70% recycled linen.

Recycled fibres and materials are made from waste that would otherwise have gone to landfill.

Useful Link

RCS Standard

LINEN GLOBAL ORGANIC TEXTILES STANDARD CERTIFIED PRODUCT

Raw Material

Linen

STEP Value

LINEN GOTS Global Organic Textiles Standard certified product

What Is This Fibre

Linen is a textile made from the fibres of the flax plant.

Why This Has Been Chosen As A 'More Sustainable' Attribute?

GOTS

Made with organic linen and also Global Organic Textile Standard (GOTS) certified. This assures that high social and environmental standards of manufacture have been met across the entire textile supply chain.

This product has been made using organic fibres.

GOTS is the worldwide leading textile processing standard for organic fibres.

This standard assesses the social and environmental standards across the supply chain, from fibre to product.

3rd Party Standard

Global Organic Textile Standard (GOTS)

What Stage Of Supply Chain Needs To Be Certified

Own-Brand Product - Last Legal owner of Product before John Lewis Branded Product - Last Legal owner of Product before the Brand

Documentation/Evidence Required

Scope Certificate and Transaction Certificates for every PO

Process For Evidence Collection (Own Brand Only)

Evidence must also be uploaded against the Sustainability Claim in the Product Technical File on TrackVision (or SGS if the supplier is yet to transition)

Requirement In Order To Call This Out With A 'More Sustainable' Product Tag

Product must meet the Requirements of the Standard and be labelled accordingly.

If the organic content of the product is over 95% it should be labelled as "Organic" under the logo

If the organic content of the product is over 70%, it should be labelled as "Made with x% organic materials" under the logo

*If your supplier is interested in producing ""organic-in conversion"" then please contact your E&S specialist for more details. (See page 3 in standard)

Online Copy (Boilerplate)

Made using organic linen.

It's Global Organic Textile Standard (GOTS) certified, an assurance that it contains at least 70% organically grown natural fibres and has been produced without the use of hazardous chemicals commonly used in fibre production and textile processing.

Useful Link

GOTS standard Conditions of use of GOTS signs

LINEN CONTAINS AT LEAST 40% ORGANIC FIBRE OR MATERIAL CERTIFIED TO GLOBAL ORGANIC TEXTILES STANDARD

Raw Material

Linen

STEP Value

LINEN Contains at least 40% Organic Fibre or Material certified to Global Organic Textiles Standard

What Is This Fibre

Linen is a textile made from the fibres of the flax plant.

Why This Has Been Chosen As A 'More Sustainable' Attribute?

By using organic fibres, which are grown without the use of chemicals such as fertilisers and pesticides, we are helping to support healthier and more sustainable farming practises.

3rd Party Standard

Global Organic Textile Standard (GOTS)

What Stage Of Supply Chain Needs To Be Certified

Yarn Supplier (if no fabric stage) or Fabric Supplier

For certain product types it may be the Fibre Stage e.g. Filling in Bedding/Cushions/Jackets etc (This should be agreed with E&S before any claims are made)

Documentation/Evidence Required

Scope Certificate and Transaction Certificates for every PO

Process For Evidence Collection (Own Brand Only)

Evidence must also be uploaded against the Sustainability Claim in the Product Technical File on TrackVision (or SGS if the supplier is yet to transition)

Requirement In Order To Call This Out With A 'More Sustainable' Product Tag

Organic Content (linen) of the product must be over 40%

100% of the linen content must be organic

Online Copy (Boilerplate)

Contains at least 40% organic linen.

Organic fibres are grown using farming practices that safeguard soil health and biodiversity, without the use of genetically modified seeds, and with little to no pesticides or synthetic fertilisers.

Useful Links

GOTS Standard

Conditions of Use aof GOTS Signs

LINEN CONTAINS AT LEAST 70% ORGANIC FIBRE OR MATERIAL CERTIFIED TO GLOBAL ORGANIC TEXTILES STANDARD

Raw Material

Linen

STEP Value

LINEN Contains at least 70% Organic Fibre or Material certified to Global Organic Textiles Standard

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What Stage Of Supply Chain Needs To Be Certified

Yarn Supplier (if no fabric stage) or Fabric Supplier

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Useful Link

GOTS standard

Conditions of use of GOTS signs

LINEN CONTAINS AT LEAST 40% ORGANIC FIBRE OR MATERIAL CERTIFIED TO OCS ORGANIC CONTENT STANDARD

Raw Material

Linen

STEP Value

LINEN Contains at least 40% Organic Fibre or Material certified to OCS Organic Content Standard

What Is This Fibre

Linen is a textile made from the fibres of the flax plant.

Why This Has Been Chosen As A 'More Sustainable' Attribute?

By using organic fibres, which are grown without the use of chemicals such as fertilisers and pesticides, we are helping to support healthier and more sustainable farming practises.

3rd Party Standard

Organic Content Standard (OCS)

(Fully certified OR certified Without the Final Product Manufacturer or Trader being certified)

*John Lewis's preference is to use GOTS but will accept OCS if GOTS is not possible

What Stage Of Supply Chain Needs To Be Certified

Yarn Supplier (if no fabric stage) or Fabric Supplier

For certain product types it may be the Fibre Stage e.g. Filling in Bedding/Cushions/Jackets etc (This should be agreed with E&S before any claims are made)

Documentation/Evidence Required

Scope Certificate and Transaction Certificates for every PO

Process For Evidence Collection (Own Brand Only)

Evidence must also be uploaded against the Sustainability Claim in the Product Technical File on TrackVision (or SGS if the supplier is yet to transition)

Requirement In Order To Call This Out With A 'More Sustainable' Product Tag

Organic Content (linen) of the product must be over 40%

100% of the linen content must be certified

Online Copy (Boilerplate)

Contains at least 40% organic linen.

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Useful Link

QUICK GUIDE TO OCS

LINEN CONTAINS AT LEAST 70% ORGANIC FIBRE OR MATERIAL CERTIFIED TO OCS ORGANIC CONTENT STANDARD

Raw Material

Linen

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Documentation/Evidence Required

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Useful Link

QUICK GUIDE TO OCS

LINEN EUROPEAN FLAX

Raw Material

Linen

STEP Value

LINEN European Flax

What Is This Fibre

Linen is a textile made from the fibres of the flax plant.

Why This Has Been Chosen As A 'More Sustainable' Attribute?

Traceability and quality from field to fabric through independent assessment and provides assurance that flax is grown with zero irrigation (only with natural rain cycles, guaranteed 99.9% by CELC), zero GMOs, without waste and responsibly, in accordance to the rules of the International Labour Organisation

3rd Party Standard

European Flax

What Stage Of Supply Chain Needs To Be Certified

Own-Brand Product - Last Legal owner of Product before John Lewis Branded Product - Last Legal owner of Product before the Brand

Documentation/Evidence Required

European Flax® certification stating the product factory name and address and all relevant linen products being supplied

Process For Evidence Collection (Own Brand Only)

Evidence must be stored against product on SGS Database

Requirement In Order To Call This Out With A 'More Sustainable' Product Tag

At least 50% of the product is linen/flax (the other 50% can be another fibre, like cotton or wool for example). 100% of this linen/flax is EUROPEAN FLAX® certified.

IL to request authorisation to use the trademark via agreement with CELC and justification of product certification

Customer Facing Claim on Product Specification Online

European Flax Certified

Useful Link

http://news.europeanflax.com/wp-content/uploads/2020/02/EUROPEAN-FLAX-GUIDANCE-Feb.2020.pdf

LYOCELL: CONTAINS AT LEAST 40% TENCEL LYOCELL

Raw Material

Lyocell

STEP Value

Lyocell: Contains at least 40% TENCEL Lyocell

What Is This Fibre

Lyocell is a man-made cellulosic fibre. The raw material is derived from wood pulp and chemically processed to make the yarn. Lyocell is a type of rayon and has similar fabric properties to viscose including biodegradability.

Lyocell is commonly used across fashion textiles as solids or blends in knitwear and woven fabrics. This fibre will also be used in home textiles from towels to bed linens.

Why This Has Been Chosen As A 'More Sustainable' Attribute?

TENCEL™ Lyocell fibres used in this product are extracted from sustainable wood pulp and are produced through an environmentally responsible, closed loop fibre process.

TENCEL® is a brand name owned by the Austrian company Lenzing AG. While Tencel can also refer to Lenzing's modal fabric, usually the 'tencel' label is referring to Tencel lyocell.

3rd Party Standard

LENZING

What Stage Of Supply Chain Needs To Be Certified

It is not a stage of the supply chain that is certified.

Suppliers using Lenzing fibres must send a sample of their finished fabric or product to Lenzing's free testing service to obtain a certificate and Lenzing certification number for the product.

Documentation/Evidence Required

Lenzing Certificate for the Fabric or Product and Product License Application approved via the Lenzing E-Branding System

Process For Evidence Collection (Own Brand Only)

Evidence must also be uploaded against the Sustainability Claim in the Product Technical File on TrackVision (or SGS if the supplier is yet to transition)

Requirement In Order To Call This Out With A 'More Sustainable' Product Tag

Must contain at least 40% Lenzing Fibres in Product

Online Copy (Boilerplate)

Contains at least 40% LENZING™ TENCEL™ Lyocell.

LENZING™ TENCEL™ Lyocell fibres are extracted from certified sustainably sourced wood. Over 99% of the water and solvents used in its production are recovered and reused in the production process, again and again.

LENZING™ and TENCEL™ are trademarks of Lenzing AG.

Useful Link

LYOCELL: CONTAINS AT LEAST 70% TENCEL LYOCELL

Raw Material

Lyocell

STEP Value

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Process For Evidence Collection (Own Brand Only)

Evidence must also be uploaded against the Sustainability Claim in the Product Technical File on TrackVision (or SGS if the supplier is yet to transition)

Requirement In Order To Call This Out With A 'More Sustainable' Product Tag

Must contain at least 70% Lenzing Fibres in Product

Online Copy (Boilerplate)

Contains at least 70% LENZING™ TENCEL™ Lyocell.

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LENZING™ and TENCEL™ are trademarks of Lenzing AG.

Useful Link

MODAL: CONTAINS AT LEAST 40% TENCEL MODAL

Raw Material

Modal

STEP Value

Modal: Contains at least 40% TENCEL Modal

What Is This Fibre

Modal is a semi-synthetic fibre made from spinning beech tree cellulose. Modal has a softer handle than viscose is used commonly in next to skin clothing. It is also a fibre that can be easily blended.

Why This Has Been Chosen As A 'More Sustainable' Attribute?

TENCEL™ Modal fibres used in this product are extracted from sustainable wood pulp and are produced through an environmentally responsible production fibre process

3rd Party Standard

LENZING

What Stage Of Supply Chain Needs To Be Certified

It is not a stage of the supply chain that is certified.

Suppliers using Lenzing fibres must send a sample of their finished fabric or product to Lenzing's free testing service to obtain a certificate and Lenzing certification number for the product.

Documentation/Evidence Required

Lenzing Certificate for the Fabric or Product and Product License Application approved via the Lenzing E-Branding System

Process For Evidence Collection (Own Brand Only)

Evidence must also be uploaded against the Sustainability Claim in the Product Technical File on TrackVision (or SGS if the supplier is yet to transition)

Requirement In Order To Call This Out With A 'More Sustainable' Product Tag

Must contain at least 40% Lenzing Fibres in Product

Online Copy (Boilerplate)

Contains at least 40% LENZING™ TENCEL™ Modal.

LENZING™ TENCEL™ Modal fibres are extracted from certified sustainably sourced wood and processed using renewable energy. LENZING™ and TENCEL™ are trademarks of Lenzing AG.

Useful Link

MODAL: CONTAINS AT LEAST 70% TENCEL MODAL

Raw Material

Modal

STEP Value

Modal: Contains at least 70% TENCEL Modal

What Is This Fibre

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Why This Has Been Chosen As A 'More Sustainable' Attribute?

TENCEL™ Modal fibres used in this product are extracted from sustainable wood pulp and are produced through an environmentally responsible production fibre process

3rd Party Standard

LENZING

What Stage Of Supply Chain Needs To Be Certified

It is not a stage of the supply chain that is certified.

Suppliers using Lenzing fibres must send a sample of their finished fabric or product to Lenzing's free testing service to obtain a certificate and Lenzing certification number for the product.

Documentation/Evidence Required

Lenzing Certificate for the Fabric or Product and Product License Application approved via the Lenzing E-Branding System

Process For Evidence Collection (Own Brand Only)

Evidence must also be uploaded against the Sustainability Claim in the Product Technical File on TrackVision (or SGS if the supplier is yet to transition)

Requirement In Order To Call This Out With A 'More Sustainable' Product Tag

Must contain at least 70% Lenzing Fibres in Product

Online Copy (Boilerplate)

Contains at least 70% LENZING™ TENCEL™ Modal.

LENZING™ TENCEL™ Modal fibres are extracted from certified sustainably sourced wood and processed using renewable energy. LENZING™ and TENCEL™ are trademarks of Lenzing AG.

Useful Link

MOHAIR RMS RESPONSIBLE MOHAIR STANDARD CERTIFIED PRODUCT

Raw Material

Mohair

STEP Value

MOHAIR RMS Responsible Mohair Standard certified product

What Is This Fibre

Wool is the hair of certain mammals. In this instance we are referring to wool from goat (mohair)

Why This Has Been Chosen As A 'More Sustainable' Attribute?

This product is certified to the Responsible Mohair Standard, which assures rigorous animal welfare and land management requirements have been met.

3rd Party Standard

Responsible Mohair Standard (RMS)

What Stage Of Supply Chain Needs To Be Certified

Own-Brand Product - Last Legal owner of Product before John Lewis
Branded Product - Last Legal owner of Product before the Brand
*John Lewis currently is not certified to RMS so we cannot make RMS Certified Product Claims Please contact the raw_materials_sustainability@johnlewis.co.uk to discuss introducing RMS Certified Products

Documentation/Evidence Required

Scope Certificate and Transaction Certificates for every PO

Process For Evidence Collection (Own Brand Only)

Please contact the: raw_materials_sustainability@johnlewis.co.uk to discuss any RMS Certified Products. See this.link for the own brand process to be followed:

Evidence must also be uploaded against the Sustainability Claim in the Product Technical File on TrackVision (or SGS if the supplier is yet to transition)

Requirement In Order To Call This Out With A 'More Sustainable' Product Tag

100% of the mohair used must be certified

Blending/mixing with conventional material of the same type is NOT ALLOWED

John Lewis require at least 40% of the product to contain mohair to make the claim

Online Copy (Boilerplate)

Made using wool certified to the Responsible Mohair Standard (RMS), an assurance that it comes from certified responsible farms with high standards of animal welfare, soil health and biodiversity.

Useful Link

RMS

MOHAIR CONTAINS AT LEAST 40% FIBRE OR MATERIAL CERTIFIED TO RMS RESPONSIBLE MOHAIR STANDARD

Raw Material

Mohair

STEP Value

MOHAIR Contains at least 40% Fibre or Material certified to RMS Responsible Mohair Standard

What Is This Fibre

Wool is the hair of certain mammals. In this instance, we are referring to wool from goat (mohair)

Why This Has Been Chosen As A 'More Sustainable' Attribute?

Mohair from this product comes from a source where animal welfare and land management are a key priority.

3rd Party Standard

Responsible Mohair Standard (RMS)

What Stage Of Supply Chain Needs To Be Certified

Yarn Supplier (if no fabric stage) or Fabric Supplier

For certain product types, it may be the Fibre Stage e.g. Filling in Bedding/Cushions/Jackets etc (This should be agreed with E&S before any claims are made)

Documentation/Evidence Required

Scope Certificate and Transaction Certificates for every PO

Process For Evidence Collection (Own Brand Only)

Evidence must also be uploaded against the Sustainability Claim in the Product Technical File on TrackVision (or SGS if the supplier is yet to transition)

Requirement In Order To Call This Out With A 'More Sustainable' Product Tag

100% of the mohair used must be certified

Blending/mixing with conventional material of the same type is NOT ALLOWED

John Lewis requires at least 40% of the product to contain wool to be used to make the claim

Online Copy (Boilerplate)

Contains at least 40% responsibly sourced mohair, which has been produced in a way that safeguards animal welfare, soil health and biodiversity.

Useful Link

RMS

MOHAIR CONTAINS AT LEAST 70% FIBRE OR MATERIAL CERTIFIED TO RMS RESPONSIBLE MOHAIR STANDARD

Raw Material

Mohair

STEP Value

MOHAIR Contains at least 70% Fibre or Material certified to RMS Responsible Mohair Standard

What Is This Fibre

Wool is the hair of certain mammals. In this instance we are referring to wool from goat (mohair)

Why This Has Been Chosen As A 'More Sustainable' Attribute?

Mohair from this product comes from a source where animal welfare and land management are a key priority.

3rd Party Standard

Responsible Mohair Standard (RMS)

What Stage Of Supply Chain Needs To Be Certified

Yarn Supplier (if no fabric stage) or Fabric Supplier

For certain product types it may be the Fibre Stage e.g. Filling in Bedding/Cushions/Jackets etc (This should be agreed with E&S before any claims are made)

Documentation/Evidence Required

Scope Certificate and Transaction Certificates for every PO

Process For Evidence Collection (Own Brand Only)

Evidence must also be uploaded against the Sustainability Claim in the Product Technical File on TrackVision (or SGS if the supplier is yet to transition)

Requirement In Order To Call This Out With A 'More Sustainable' Product Tag

100% of the mohair used must be certified

Blending/mixing with conventional material of the same type is NOT ALLOWED

John Lewis require at least 70% of the product to contain wool to be used to make the claim

Online Copy (Boilerplate)

Contains at least 70% responsibly sourced mohair, which has been produced in a way that safeguards animal welfare, soil health and biodiversity.

Useful Link

RMS

POLYAMIDE OR NYLON GRS GLOBAL RECYCLED STANDARD CERTIFIED PRODUCT

Raw Material

Polyamide/Nylon

STEP Value

POLYAMIDE OR NYLON GRS Global Recycled Standard certified product

What Is This Fibre

Polyamide is a synthetic fibre, also known as Nylon.

Why This Has Been Chosen As A 'More Sustainable' Attribute?

Recycled fibres have been used rather than conventional sources - this could be either pre or post consumer waste.

The full supply chain from fibre to product has also been certified to the Global Recycled Standard, which assessing the social and environmental standards across the supply chain.

3rd Party Standard

Global Recycled Standard (GRS)

What Stage Of Supply Chain Needs To Be Certified

Own-Brand Product - All stages of the supply chain INCLUDING John Lewis*.

Branded Product - All stages of the supply chain INCLUDING the Brand.

*As of November 2023 John Lewis became certified to the GRS standard.

Documentation/Evidence Required

Scope Certificate and Transaction Certificates for every PO

Process For Evidence Collection (Own Brand Only)

Please contact the: raw materials sustainability@johnlewis.co.uk to discuss any GRS Certified Products.

See this link for the own brand process to be followed.

Evidence must also be uploaded against the Sustainability claim in the Product Technical File on TrackVision (or SGS if the supplier is yet to transition)

Requirement In Order To Call This Out With A 'More Sustainable' Product Tag

Product must meet Requirements of the Standard and be labelled accordingly

"The product contains at least 50% GRS Certified Material (this may include either Pre-Consumer Content, Post-Consumer Content, or a combination)"

Online Copy (Boilerplate)

Made using certified recycled materials.

It's Global Recycled Standard (GRS) certified, an assurance that it's been made using recycled materials from waste that would otherwise have gone to landfill.

Useful Link

POLYAMIDE/NYLON CONTAINS AT LEAST 40% RECYCLED FIBRE OR MATERIAL CERTIFIED TO GRS GLOBAL RECYCLED STANDARD

Raw Material

Polyamide/Nylon

STEP Value

POLYAMIDE/NYLON Contains at least 40% Recycled Fibre or Material certified to GRS Global Recycled Standard

What Is This Fibre

Polyamide is a synthetic fibre, also known as Nylon.

Why This Has Been Chosen As A 'More Sustainable' Attribute?

Recycled fibres/materials have been used rather than conventional sources - this could be either pre or post consumer waste.

3rd Party Standard

Global Recycled Standard (GRS)

What Stage Of Supply Chain Needs To Be Certified

Yarn Supplier (if no fabric stage) or Fabric Supplier

For certain product types it may be the Fibre Stage e.g. Filling in Bedding/Cushions/Jackets etc (This should be agreed with E&S before any claims are made)

Documentation/Evidence Required

Scope Certificate and Transaction Certificates for every PO

Process For Evidence Collection (Own Brand Only)

Evidence must also be uploaded against the Sustainability Claim in the Product Technical File on TrackVision (or SGS if the supplier is yet to transition)

Requirement In Order To Call This Out With A 'More Sustainable' Product Tag

Recycled Content (polyester) of the product must be over 40%

Online Copy (Boilerplate)

Contains at least 40% recycled polyamide. Recycled fibres and materials are made from waste that would otherwise have gone to landfill.

Useful Link

POLYAMIDE/NYLON CONTAINS AT LEAST 70% RECYCLED FIBRE OR MATERIAL CERTIFIED TO GRS GLOBAL RECYCLED STANDARD

Raw Material

Polyamide/Nylon

STEP Value

POLYAMIDE/NYLON Contains at least 70% Recycled Fibre or Material certified to GRS Global Recycled Standard

What Is This Fibre

Polyamide is a synthetic fibre, also known as Nylon.

Why This Has Been Chosen As A 'More Sustainable' Attribute?

Recycled fibres/materials have been used rather than conventional sources - this could be either pre or post-consumer waste.

3rd Party Standard

Global Recycled Standard (GRS)

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Documentation/Evidence Required

Scope Certificate and Transaction Certificates for every PO

Process For Evidence Collection (Own Brand Only)

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Requirement In Order To Call This Out With A 'More Sustainable' Product Tag

Recycled Content (polyester) of the product must be over 70%

Online Copy (Boilerplate)

Contains at least 70% recycled polyamide. Recycled fibres and materials are made from waste that would otherwise have gone to landfill.

Useful Link

POLYAMIDE/NYLON CONTAINS AT LEAST 40% RECYCLED FIBRE OR MATERIAL CERTIFIED TO RCS RECYCLED CONTENT STANDARD

Raw Material

Polyamide/Nylon

STEP Value

POLYAMIDE/NYLON Contains at least 40% Recycled Fibre or Material certified to RCS Recycled Content Standard

What Is This Fibre

Polyamide is a synthetic fibre, also known as Nylon.

Why This Has Been Chosen As A 'More Sustainable' Attribute?

Recycled fibres/materials have been used rather than conventional sources - this could be either pre or post consumer waste.

3rd Party Standard

Recycled Claim Standard (RCS)

*John Lewis's preference is to use GRS but will accept RCS if GRS is not possible.

What Stage Of Supply Chain Needs To Be Certified

Yarn Supplier (if no fabric stage) or Fabric Supplier

For certain product types it may be the Fibre Stage e.g. Filling in Bedding/Cushions/Jackets etc (This should be agreed with E&S before any claims are made)

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Requirement In Order To Call This Out With A 'More Sustainable' Product Tag

Recycled content of the product must be over 40%

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Useful Link

RCS Standard

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Raw Material

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Useful Link

RCS Standard

POLYESTER GRS GLOBAL RECYCLED STANDARD CERTIFIED PRODUCT

Raw Material

Polyester

STEP Value

POLYESTER GRS Global Recycled Standard certified product

What Is This Fibre

Polyester (polyethylene terephthalate) is a synthetic fibre Polyester is the most widely used fibre in the world, accounting for roughly half of the fibre market overall and about 80 percent of all synthetic fibres. Virgin polyester is made from a non-renewable resource (oil) using an energy-intensive process.

Why This Has Been Chosen As A 'More Sustainable' Attribute?

Recycled fibres have been used rather than conventional sources - this could be either pre or post consumer waste.

The full supply chain from fibre to product has also been certified to the Global Recycled Standard, which assessing the social and environmental standards across the supply chain.

3rd Party Standard

Global Recycled Standard (GRS)

What Stage Of Supply Chain Needs To Be Certified

Own-Brand Product - All stages of the supply chain INCLUDING John Lewis*.

Branded Product - All stages of the supply chain INCLUDING the Brand.

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Documentation/Evidence Required

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Process For Evidence Collection (Own Brand Only)

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Requirement In Order To Call This Out With A 'More Sustainable' Product Tag

Product must meet Requirements of the Standard and be labelled accordingly

"The product contains at least 50% GRS Certified Material (this may include either Pre-Consumer Content, Post-Consumer Content, or a combination)"

Online Copy (Boilerplate)

Made using certified recycled materials.

It's Global Recycled Standard (GRS) certified, an assurance that it's been made using recycled materials from waste that would otherwise have gone to landfill.

Useful Link

POLYESTER CONTAINS AT LEAST 40% RECYCLED FIBRE OR MATERIAL CERTIFIED TO GRS GLOBAL RECYCLED STANDARD

Raw Material

Polyester

STEP Value

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Yarn Supplier (if no fabric stage) or Fabric Supplier

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Requirement In Order To Call This Out With A 'More Sustainable' Product Tag

Recycled Content (polyester) of the product must be over 40%

Online Copy (Boilerplate)

Contains at least 40% recycled polyester. Recycled fibres and materials are made from waste that would otherwise have gone to landfill.

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Raw Material

Polyester

STEP Value

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3rd Party Standard

Recycled Claim Standard (RCS)

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Requirement In Order To Call This Out With A 'More Sustainable' Product Tag

Recycled (cotton) content of the product must be over 40%

Online Copy (Boilerplate)

Contains at least 40% recycled polyester. Recycled fibres and materials are made from waste that would otherwise have gone to landfill.

Useful Link

RCS Standard

POLYESTER CONTAINS AT LEAST 70% RECYCLED FIBRE OR MATERIAL CERTIFIED TO RCS RECYCLED CONTENT STANDARD

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Useful Link

RCS Standard

POLYESTER CONTAINS AT LEAST 40% RECYCLED FIBRE OR MATERIAL CERTIFIED BY REPREVE

Raw Material

Polyester

STEP Value

POLYESTER Contains at least 40% Recycled Fibre or Material certified by Repreve

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Why This Has Been Chosen As A 'More Sustainable' Attribute?

Recycled fibres/materials have been used rather than conventional sources - this could be either pre or post consumer waste.

Keeping plastics from going to landfill and the ocean - Recycled polyester gives a second life to a material that's not biodegradable and would otherwise end up in landfill or the ocean

3rd Party Standard

REPREVE

What Stage Of Supply Chain Needs To Be Certified

N/A (FABRIC/PRODUCT MUST BE TESTED)

Documentation/Evidence Required

Unifi Letter confirming Repreve content in Fabric/Product

Process For Evidence Collection (Own Brand Only)

Evidence must also be uploaded against the Sustainability Claim in the Product Technical File on TrackVision (or SGS if the supplier is yet to transition)

Requirement In Order To Call This Out With A 'More Sustainable' Product Tag

Recycled Content of the product must be over 40% and be the Majority Fibre

Customer Facing Claim on Product Specification Online

Contains at least 40% Recycled Polyester Certified by Repreve

Useful Link

https://repreve.com/

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SILK GRS GLOBAL RECYCLED STANDARD CERTIFIED PRODUCT

Raw Material

Silk

STEP Value

SILK GRS Global Recycled Standard Certified Product

What Is This Fibre

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Recycled (silk) content of the product must be over 50%

Product must meet Requirements of the Standard and be labelled accordingly

"The product contains at least 50% GRS Certified Material (this may include either Pre-Consumer Content, Post-Consumer Content, or a combination)"

Online Copy (Boilerplate)

Made using certified recycled materials.

It's Global Recycled Standard (GRS) certified, an assurance that it's been made using recycled materials from waste that would otherwise have gone to landfill.

Useful Link

SILK CONTAINS AT LEAST 40% RECYCLED FIBRE OR MATERIAL CERTIFIED TO GRS GLOBAL RECYCLED STANDARD

Raw Material

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STEP Value

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Online Copy (Boilerplate)

Contains at least 40% recycled silk. Recycled fibres and materials are made from waste that would otherwise have gone to landfill.

Useful Link

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Useful Link

SILK CONTAINS AT LEAST 40% RECYCLED FIBRE/MATERIAL RCS CERTIFIED

Raw Material

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Useful Links

RCS Standard

SILK CONTAINS AT LEAST 70% RECYCLED FIBRE OR MATERIAL CERTIFIED TO RCS

Raw Material

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STEP Value

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Useful Link

RCS Standard

SILK GOTS GLOBAL ORGANIC TEXTILES STANDARD CERTIFIED PRODUCT

Raw Material

Silk

STEP Value

SILK GOTS Global Organic Textiles Standard Certified Product

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Why This Has Been Chosen As A 'More Sustainable' Attribute?

This product has been made using organic fibres.

GOTS is the worldwide leading textile processing standard for organic fibres.

This standard assesses the social and environmental standards across the supply chain, from fibre to product.

Note: It is preferable to use GOTS organic certification, rather than the Organic Content Standard, where possible.

3rd Party Standard

Global Organic Textiles Standard (GOTS) (Fully certified)

What Stage Of Supply Chain Needs To Be Certified

Own-Brand Product - Last Legal owner of Product before John Lewis Branded Product - Last Legal owner of Product before the Brand

Documentation/Evidence Required

Scope Certificate and Transaction Certificates for every PO

Process For Evidence Collection (Own Brand Only)

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Requirement In Order To Call This Out With A 'More Sustainable' Product Tag

Product must meet Requirements of the Standard and be labelled accordingly.

If the cotton content of the product is over 95% it should be labelled as ""Organic"" under the logo

If the cotton content of the product is over 70%, it should be labelled as ""Made with x% organic materials" under the logo

*If your supplier is interested in producing ""organic-in conversion"" then please contact your E&S specialist for more details. (See page 3 in standard)

Online Copy (Boilerplate)

Made using organic silk.

It's Global Organic Textile Standard (GOTS) certified, an assurance that it contains at least 70% organically grown natural fibres and has been produced without the use of hazardous chemicals commonly used in fibre production and textile processing.

Useful Link

GOTS standard Conditions of use of GOTS signs

SILK CONTAINS AT LEAST 40% ORGANIC FIBRE OR MATERIAL CERTIFIED TO GLOBAL ORGANIC TEXTILES STANDARD

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This product contains organic fibres, which helps support more sustainable farming practises.

3rd Party Standard

Organic Content Standard (OCS)

(Fully certified OR certified Without the Final Product Manufacturer or Trader being certified)

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Organic Content (silk) of the product must be over 40%

100% of the silk content must be organic

Online Copy (Boilerplate)

Contains at least 40% organic silk.

Organic fibres are grown using farming practices that safeguard soil health and biodiversity, without the use of genetically modified seeds, and with little to no pesticides or synthetic fertilisers.

Useful Link

Quick Guide to OCS

SILK CONTAINS AT LEAST 70% ORGANIC FIBRE OR MATERIAL CERTIFIED TO GLOBAL ORGANIC TEXTILES STANDARD

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QUICK GUIDE TO OCS
STANDARDS CLAIMS POLICY

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Raw Material

Silk

STEP Value

SILK Contains at least 40% Organic Fibre or Material certified to OCS Organic Content Standard

What Is This Fibre

Silk is a natural fibre produced by insects as a material for their nests and cocoons. There are several types of insects that produce silk, including silkworms (the most common type of silk), beetles, honey bees, bumble bees, hornets, weaver ants, and many more. Made primarily of a protein called fibroin, silk is known for its shine and softness as a material.

Why This Has Been Chosen As A 'More Sustainable' Attribute?

This product contains organic fibres, which helps support more sustainable farming practises.

3rd Party Standard

Organic Content Standard (OCS)

(Fully certified OR certified Without the Final Product Manufacturer or Trader being certified)

*John Lewis's preference is to use GOTS but will accept OCS if GOTS is not possible

What Stage Of Supply Chain Needs To Be Certified

Yarn Supplier (if no fabric stage) or Fabric Supplier

For certain product types it may be the Fibre Stage e.g. Filling in Bedding/Cushions/Jackets etc (This should be agreed with E&S before any claims are made)

Documentation/Evidence Required

Scope Certificate and Transaction Certificates for every PO

Process For Evidence Collection (Own Brand Only)

Evidence must also be uploaded against the Sustainability Claim in the Product Technical File on TrackVision (or SGS if the supplier is yet to transition)

Requirement In Order To Call This Out With A 'More Sustainable' Product Tag

Organic Content (silk) of the product must be over 40%

100% of the silk must be organic

Online Copy (Boilerplate)

Contains at least 40% organic silk.

Organic fibres are grown using farming practices that safeguard soil health and biodiversity, without the use of genetically modified seeds, and with little to no pesticides or synthetic fertilisers.

Useful Link

QUICK GUIDE TO OCS STANDARDS CLAIMS POLICY

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TIMBER OR PAPER FSC 100%

Raw Material

Timber & Paper

STEP Value

TIMBER or PAPER FSC 100%

What Is This Fibre

Most often, timber refers to wood, of any tree species, which has been processed into beams and planks ready to use in manufacture. Paper is a material often manufactured in thin sheets from the pulp of wood.

Why This Has Been Chosen As A 'More Sustainable' Attribute?

The Forest Stewardship Council® (FSC®) is a global, not-for-profit organisation dedicated to the promotion of responsible forest management worldwide. FSC defines standards based on agreed principles for responsible forest stewardship that are supported by environmental, social, and economic stakeholders.

3rd Party Standard

Forest Stewardship Council (FSC)

What Stage Of Supply Chain Needs To Be Certified

Full chain of custody throughout supply chain required

Documentation/Evidence Required

FSC logo needs to be on the product/packaging and visible to the customer.

If JLP wants to promote the claim off-product, e.g... online or in POS design, an evidence/declaration letter needs to be provided by the supplier, detailing the product SKU/Name of Product/Species/FSC claim. This needs to be passed on to the relevant E&S contact to obtain FSC verification.

Process For Evidence Collection (Own Brand Only)

All Timber/Paper sources contained within a product must be registered on Track Vision Timber

Your supplier will need to provide required documentation including fully mapped supply chains with clear invoice and transportation documentation at every stage. For further detail on required documentation please see page 4 of the Timber Sourcing Guide for Buyers. If JL&P wants to promote FSC off-product e.g. online, suppliers need to submit an off-product declaration evidence letter/invoice to JL&P. This is sent onto FSC UK to verify. Once verified, then the product can be promoted. Evidence is collated in the FSC Off Product Documentation tracker.

Before promoting these off-product, the product will need to be labelled as certified and have obtained a 'negligible risk' grading in Track Vision Timber - as this ensures that the risk assessment has made all necessary checks on validity of the claims.

Requirement In Order To Call This Out With A 'More Sustainable' Product Tag

Product/packaging should be labelled with the relevant logo:

FSC 100% - All the materials used in products bearing this label are sourced from forests that have been audited by an independent third party to confirm they are managed to FSC standards.

Online Copy (Boilerplate)

Forest Stewardship Council® (FSC®) certified.

This provides assurance that the wood, paper or any other forest-derived products it's made from have been sourced in a way that supports responsible forestry, helping to safeguard the planet, protect biodiversity and support forest communities.

Useful Link

FSC

TIMBER OR PAPER FSC RECYCLED

Raw Material

Timber & Paper

STEP Value

TIMBER or PAPER FSC RECYCLED

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3rd Party Standard

Forest Stewardship Council (FSC)

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Documentation/Evidence Required

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Requirement In Order To Call This Out With A 'More Sustainable' Product Tag

Product/packaging should be labelled with the relevant logo:

FSC Recycled - Products that bear this label have been verified as being made from 100% recycled content (either post-consumer or pre-consumer reclaimed materials).

Online Copy (Boilerplate)

Forest Stewardship Council® (FSC®) certified.

This provides assurance that the wood, paper or any other forest-derived products it's made from are verified as recycled, helping to safeguard the planet.

Useful Link

FSC

TIMBER OR PAPER FSC MIX

Raw Material

Timber & Paper

STEP Value

TIMBER or PAPER FSC MIX

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3rd Party Standard

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Requirement In Order To Call This Out With A 'More Sustainable' Product Tag

Product/packaging should be labelled with the relevant logo:

FSC Mix -Products that bear this label are made using a mixture of materials from FSC-certified forests, recycled materials, and/or FSC controlled wood. While controlled wood is not from FSC certified forests, it mitigates the risk of the material originating from unacceptable sources.

Online Copy (Boilerplate)

Forest Stewardship Council® (FSC®) certified.

This provides assurance that the wood, paper or any other forest-derived products it's made from are verified as recycled or have been sourced in a way that supports responsible forestry, helping to safeguard the planet, protect biodiversity and support forest communities.

Useful Link

FSC

TIMBER OR PAPER PEFC CERTIFIED

Raw Material

Timber & Paper

STEP Value

TIMBER or PAPER PEFC Certified

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PEFC, the Programme for the Endorsement of Forest Certification, is a leading global alliance of national forest certification systems. As an international non-profit, non-governmental organisation, dedicated to promoting sustainable forest management through independent third-party certification.

3rd Party Standard

Programme for the Endorsement of Forest Certification (PEFC)

What Stage Of Supply Chain Needs To Be Certified

Full chain of custody throughout supply chain required

Documentation/Evidence Required

You will need to provide required documentation including fully mapped supply chains with clear invoice and transportation documentation at every stage. For further detail on required documentation please see page 4 of the Timber Sourcing Guide for Buyers & Suppliers.

We would want to see the supplier having a 'Best' grading overall against the Timber & Paper Policy - as this ensures that the risk assessment has made all necessary checks on validity of the claims.

Process For Evidence Collection (Own Brand Only)

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Product/packaging should be labelled with the relevant logo:

PEFC Certified -The product includes minimum of 70 % of "PEFC certified" material from forest which has been certified against a PEFC endorsed forest certification scheme as sustainably managed or from recycled material. The content of recycled material is lower than 85 %.

Online Copy (Boilerplate)

Made using certified sustainable wood. It has PEFC certification (Programme for the Endorsement of Forest Certification).

This provides assurance that it's been sourced from responsibly managed forests that safeguard the planet, protect biodiversity and support communities.

Useful Link

PEFC Chain of custody

TIMBER OR PAPER PEFC RECYCLED

Raw Material

Timber & Paper

STEP Value

TIMBER or PAPER PEFC Recycled

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3rd Party Standard

Programme for the Endorsement of Forest Certification (PEFC)

What Stage Of Supply Chain Needs To Be Certified

Full chain of custody throughout supply chain required

Documentation/Evidence Required

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We would want to see the supplier having a 'Best' grading overall against the Timber & Paper Policy - as this ensures that the risk assessment has made all necessary checks on validity of the claims.

Process For Evidence Collection (Own Brand Only)

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Product/packaging should be labelled with the relevant logo:

PEFC Recycled label - product includes a minimum of 70 % of "PEFC certified" material from recycled sources. The content of recycled material is calculated based on ISO / IEC 14021.

Online Copy (Boilerplate)

Made using recycled wood.

It has PEFC certification (Programme for the Endorsement of Forest Certification).

This provides assurance that it's helped safeguard the planet by reducing the use of virgin raw materials.

Useful Link

PEFC Chain of custody

TIMBER GIB GROWN IN BRITAIN

Raw Material

Timber & Paper

STEP Value

TIMBER GIB Grown in Britain

What Is This Fibre

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Why This Has Been Chosen As A 'More Sustainable' Attribute?

The Grown in Britain brand certifies wood as sustainable, legal and grown in the UK. It is a proud and protected trademark that assures the timber is from a well managed woodland within the UK

3rd Party Standard

Grown in Britain (GIB)

What Stage Of Supply Chain Needs To Be Certified

Full chain of custody throughout supply chain required

Documentation/Evidence Required

GIB Checks for Certificate validity & scope

Documentation that confirms the product is:

- UK provenance
- Legally felled
- Virgin timber is sourced from woodlands/forests that are managed to the UK Forestry standard

GIB logo needs to be on the product/packaging and visible to the customer

Process For Evidence Collection (Own Brand Only)

All Timber/Paper sources contained within a product must be registered on Track Vision Timber.

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Requirement In Order To Call This Out With A 'More Sustainable' Product Tag

Product/packaging should be labelled with the relevant logo:

Grown in Britain - guarantees that timber has been grown legally in the UK in accordance with the UK Government Timber Procurement Policy and conforming to the UK Forestry Standard.

Online Copy (Boilerplate)

Made using certified sustainable wood. It's certified by Grown in Britain, an assurance that it's sustainable, legal and grown in responsibly managed woodland within the UK.

Useful Link

Grown in Britain

VISCOSE LENZING ECOVERO

Raw Material

Viscose

STEP Value

VISCOSE Lenzing EcoVero

What Is This Fibre

Viscose, also known as Rayon is a manmade cellulosic fibre. Its raw material is derived from wood pulp, commonly processed from beech, pine, eucalyptus and bamboo. Viscose fibre is produced in two forms, staple and filament. Lenzing Ecovero is staple viscose therefore the fibres are shorter, making it easy to blend.

Viscose is a very versatile fibre, used in fashion across knitwear and wovens as well as homewear products such as rugs and mattresses. it can also be blended to create different textures and properties.

Why This Has Been Chosen As A 'More Sustainable' Attribute?

LENZING™ ECOVERO™ fibres are based on three key things: the use of FSC/PEFC certified wood sources, an ecological production process (significantly lower emissions and water impact) and full supply chain transparency by allowing the fibres to be fully identifiable in the final product.

3rd Party Standard

LENZING

What Stage Of Supply Chain Needs To Be Certified

It is not a stage of the supply chain that is certified.

Suppliers using Lenzing fibres must send a sample of their finished fabric or product to Lenzing's free testing service to obtain a certificate and Lenzing certification number for the product.

Documentation/Evidence Required

Lenzing Certificate for the Fabric or Product and Product License Application approved via the Lenzing E-Branding System

Process For Evidence Collection (Own Brand Only)

Evidence must also be uploaded against the Sustainability Claim in the Product Technical File on TrackVision (or SGS if the supplier is yet to transition)

Requirement In Order To Call This Out With A 'More Sustainable' Product Tag

Must contain at least 40% Lenzing Fibres in Product

Online Copy (Boilerplate)

Contains at least 40% LENZING™ ECOVERO™viscose.

LENZING™ ECOVERO™ fibres are extracted from certified sustainably sourced wood and processed in a way that produces up to 50% fewer emissions and uses up to 50% less water than conventional viscose production.

LENZING™ and ECOVERO™ are trademarks of Lenzing AG.

Useful Link

VISCOSE CONTAINS AT LEAST 70% LENZING ECOVERO

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Useful Link

VISCOSE CONTAINS AT LEAST 40% BIRLA LIVAECO

Raw Material

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STEP Value

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Why This Has Been Chosen As A 'More Sustainable' Attribute?

Sourced from certified sustainable forests and produced through an environmentally responsible production fibre process. The journey of Livaeco tagged garment can be traced to its origin.

3rd Party Standard

BIRLA

What Stage Of Supply Chain Needs To Be Certified

It is not a stage of the supply chain that is certified.

Suppliers using Birla fibres must send a sample of their finished fabric or product to Birla to be tested.

Documentation/Evidence Required

Birla Certificate for the Fabric

Supplier must complete information required on the Greentrack sytem

Process For Evidence Collection (Own Brand Only)

Evidence must also be uploaded against the Sustainability Claim in the Product Technical File on TrackVision (or SGS if the supplier is yet to transition)

Requirement In Order To Call This Out With A 'More Sustainable' Product Tag

Must contain at least 40% Birla Fibres in Product

Online Copy (Boilerplate)

Contains at least 40% Livaeco™ viscose.

Livaeco™ fibres are extracted from FSC®-certified sustainable wood and processed in a way that produces up to 50% fewer emissions and uses up to 60% less water than conventional viscose production.

Livaeco by Birla Cellulose™ is a sustainably produced fibre brand.

Useful Link

VISCOSE CONTAINS AT LEAST 70% BIRLA LIVAECO

Raw Material

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STEP Value

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3rd Party Standard

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Documentation/Evidence Required

Birla Certificate for the Fabric.

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Useful Link

WOOL RWS RESPONSIBLE WOOL STANDARD CERTIFIED PRODUCT

Raw Material

Wool

STEP Value

WOOL RWS Responsible Wool Standard certified product

What Is This Fibre

Wool is the hair of certain mammals. In this instance we are referring to wool from sheep

Why This Has Been Chosen As A 'More Sustainable' Attribute?

This product is certified to the Responsible Wool Standard, which assures rigorous animal welfare and land management requirements have been met.

3rd Party Standard

Responsible Wool Standard (RWS)

What Stage Of Supply Chain Needs To Be Certified

Own-Brand Product - All stages of the supply chain INCLUDING John Lewis*.

Branded Product - All stages of the supply chain INCLUDING the Brand.

*As of November 2023 John Lewis became certified to the RWS standard.

Documentation/Evidence Required

Scope Certificate and Transaction Certificates for every PO

Process For Evidence Collection (Own Brand Only)

Please contact the: raw_materials_sustainability@johnlewis.co.uk to discuss any RWS Certified Products.

See this link for the own brand process to be followed.

Evidence must also be uploaded against the Sustainability claim in the Product Technical File on TrackVision (or SGS if the supplier is yet to transition)

Requirement In Order To Call This Out With A 'More Sustainable' Product Tag

100% of the wool used must be certified

Blending/mixing with conventional material of the same type is NOT ALLOWED

John Lewis requires at least 40% of the product to contain wool to be used to make the claim

Online Copy (Boilerplate)

Made using wool certified to the Responsible Wool Standard (RWS), an assurance that it comes from certified responsible farms with high standards of animal welfare, soil health and biodiversity.

Useful Link

RWS

WOOL CONTAINS AT LEAST 40% FIBRE OR MATERIAL CERTIFIED TO RWS RESPONSIBLE WOOL STANDARD

Raw Material

Wool

STEP Value

WOOL Contains at least 40% Fibre or Material certified to RWS Responsible Wool Standard

What Is This Fibre

Wool is the hair of certain mammals. In this instance we are referring to wool from sheep, mohair from goats, or wool from alpacas

Why This Has Been Chosen As A 'More Sustainable' Attribute?

Wool from this product comes from a source where animal welfare and land management are a key priority.

3rd Party Standard

Responsible Wool Standard (RWS)

What Stage Of Supply Chain Needs To Be Certified

Yarn Supplier (if no fabric stage) or Fabric Supplier

For certain product types it may be the Fibre Stage e.g. Filling in Bedding/Cushions/Jackets etc (This should be agreed with E&S before any claims are made)

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Online Copy (Boilerplate)

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Useful Link

RWS

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Raw Material

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100% of the wool used must be certified

Blending/mixing with conventional material of the same type is NOT ALLOWED

John Lewis requires at least 70% of the product to contain wool to be used to make the claim

Online Copy (Boilerplate)

Contains at least 70% responsibly sourced wool, which has been produced in a way that safeguards animal welfare, soil health and biodiversity.

Useful Link

RWS

WOOL GRS GLOBAL RECYCLED STANDARD CERTIFIED PRODUCT

Raw Material

Wool

STEP Value

WOOL GRS Global Recycled Standard Certified Product

What Is This Fibre

Wool is the hair of certain mammals. In this instance we are referring to wool from sheep

Why This Has Been Chosen As A 'More Sustainable' Attribute?

This product uses recycled material.

The full supply chain from fibre to product has also been certified to the Global Recycled Standard, which assesses the social and environmental standards across the supply chain.

3rd Party Standard

Global Recycled Standard (GRS)

What Stage Of Supply Chain Needs To Be Certified

Own-Brand Product - All stages of the supply chain INCLUDING John Lewis*.

Branded Product - All stages of the supply chain INCLUDING the Brand.

*As of November 2023 John Lewis became certified to the GRS standard.

Documentation/Evidence Required

Scope Certificate and Transaction Certificates for every PO

Process For Evidence Collection (Own Brand Only)

Please contact the: raw_materials_sustainability@johnlewis.co.uk to discuss any GRS Certified Products.

See this link for the own brand process to be followed.

Evidence must also be uploaded against the Sustainability claim in the Product Technical File on TrackVision (or SGS if the supplier is yet to transition)

Requirement In Order To Call This Out With A 'More Sustainable' Product Tag

Recycled content of the product must be over 50%

Product must meet the requirements of the Standard and be labelled accordingly

"The product contains at least 50% GRS Certified Material (this may include either Pre-Consumer Content, Post-Consumer Content, or a combination)"

Online Copy (Boilerplate)

Made using certified recycled materials.

It's Global Recycled Standard (GRS) certified, an assurance that it's been made using recycled materials from waste that would otherwise have gone to landfill.

Useful Link

WOOL CONTAINS AT LEAST 40% RECYCLED FIBRE OR MATERIAL CERTIFIED TO GRS GLOBAL RECYCLED STANDARD

Raw Material

Wool

STEP Value

WOOL Contains at least 40% Recycled Fibre or Material certified to GRS Global Recycled Standard

What Is This Fibre

Wool is the hair of certain mammals. In this instance we are referring to wool from sheep

Why This Has Been Chosen As A 'More Sustainable' Attribute?

Recycled fibres/materials have been used rather than conventional sources - this could be either pre or post consumer waste.

3rd Party Standard

Global Recycled Standard (GRS)

What Stage Of Supply Chain Needs To Be Certified

Yarn Supplier (if no fabric stage) or Fabric Supplier

For certain product types it may be the Fibre Stage e.g. Filling in Bedding/Cushions/Jackets etc (This should be agreed with E&S before any claims are made)

Documentation/Evidence Required

Scope Certificate and Transaction Certificates for every PO

Process For Evidence Collection (Own Brand Only)

Evidence must also be uploaded against the Sustainability Claim in the Product Technical File on TrackVision (or SGS if the supplier is yet to transition).

Requirement In Order To Call This Out With A 'More Sustainable' Product Tag

Recycled Content of the product must be over 40%

Online Copy (Boilerplate)

Contains at least 40% recycled wool. Recycled fibres and materials are made from waste that would otherwise have gone to landfill.

Useful Link

WOOL CONTAINS AT LEAST 70% RECYCLED FIBRE OR MATERIAL CERTIFIED TO GRS GLOBAL RECYCLED STANDARD

Raw Material

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Recycled Content of the product must be over 70%

Online Copy (Boilerplate)

Contains at least 70% recycled wool. Recycled fibres and materials are made from waste that would otherwise have gone to landfill.

Useful Link

WOOL CONTAINS AT LEAST 40% RECYCLED FIBRE OR MATERIAL CERTIFIED TO RCS RECYCLED CONTENT STANDARD

Raw Material

Wool

STEP Value

WOOL Contains at least 40% Recycled Fibre or Material certified to RCS Recycled Content Standard

What Is This Fibre

Wool is the hair of certain mammals. In this instance we are referring to wool from sheep

Why This Has Been Chosen As A 'More Sustainable' Attribute?

Recycled fibres/materials have been used rather than conventional sources - this could be either pre or post consumer waste.

3rd Party Standard

Recycled Claim Standard (RCS)

*John Lewis's preference is to use GRS but will accept RCS if GRS is not possible.

What Stage Of Supply Chain Needs To Be Certified

Yarn Supplier (if no fabric stage) or Fabric Supplier

For certain product types it may be the Fibre Stage e.g. Filling in Bedding/Cushions/Jackets etc (This should be agreed with E&S before any claims are made)

Documentation/Evidence Required

Scope Certificate and Transaction Certificates for every PO

Process For Evidence Collection (Own Brand Only)

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Requirement In Order To Call This Out With A 'More Sustainable' Product Tag

Recycled content of the product must be over 40%

Online Copy (Boilerplate)

Contains at least 40% recycled wool.

Recycled fibres and materials are made from waste that would otherwise have gone to landfill.

Useful Link

RCS Standard

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Raw Material

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Useful Link

RCS Standard

WOOL GOTS GLOBAL ORGANIC TEXTILES STANDARD CERTIFIED PRODUCT

Raw Material

Wool

STEP Value

WOOL GOTS Global Organic Textiles Standard certified product

What Is This Fibre

Wool is the hair of certain mammals. In this instance we are referring to wool from sheep

Why This Has Been Chosen As A 'More Sustainable' Attribute?

This product has been made using organic fibres.

GOTS is the worldwide leading textile processing standard for organic fibres.

This standard assesses the social and environmental standards across the supply chain, from fibre to product.

3rd Party Standard

Global Organic Textiles Standard (GOTS)

What Stage Of Supply Chain Needs To Be Certified

Own-Brand Product - Last Legal owner of Product before John Lewis

Branded Product - Last Legal owner of Product before the Brand

Documentation/Evidence Required

Scope Certificate and Transaction Certificates for every PO

Process For Evidence Collection (Own Brand Only)

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Requirement In Order To Call This Out With A 'More Sustainable' Product Tag

Product must meet Requirements of the Standard and be labelled accordingly.

If the cotton content of the product is over 95% it should be labelled as "made with x% organic materials"

If the cotton content of the product is over 70%, it should be labelled as "Made with x% organic materials"

*If your supplier is interested in producing ""organic-in conversion"" then please contact your E&S specialist for more details. (See page 3 in standard)

Online Copy (Boilerplate)

Made using organic wool.

It's Global Organic Textile Standard (GOTS) certified, an assurance that it contains at least 70% organically grown natural fibres and has been produced without the use of hazardous chemicals commonly used in fibre production and textile processing.

Useful Link

GOTS standard Conditions of use of GOTS signs

WOOL CONTAINS AT LEAST 40% ORGANIC OR MATERIAL CERTIFIED GOTS

Raw Material

Wool

STEP Value

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What Is This Fibre

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Why This Has Been Chosen As A 'More Sustainable' Attribute?

This product has been made using organic fibres, which helps support more sustainable farming practises.

3rd Party Standard

Global Organic Textiles Standard (GOTS)

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Requirement In Order To Call This Out With A 'More Sustainable' Product Tag

100% of the wool must be organic

Organic Content (wool) of the product must be over 40%

Online Copy (Boilerplate)

Contains at least 40% organic wool.

Organic fibres are grown using farming practices that safeguard soil health and biodiversity, without the use of genetically modified seeds, and with little to no pesticides or synthetic fertilisers.

Useful Link

GOTS Standard

Conditions of use of GOTS signs

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3rd Party Standard

Organic Content Standard (OCS)

(Fully certified OR certified Without the Final Product Manufacturer or Trader being certified)

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Useful Link

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