

GLOBAL ORGANIC TEXTILES STANDARD (GOTS)

GOTS is the worldwide leading textile processing standard for organic fibres, including ecological and social criteria, backed up by independent certification of your textile supply chain.



GOTS sets worldwide requirements for environmentally friendly production systems and social accountability in the organic textile sector. GOTS, along with Textile Exchange's OCS (Organic Content Standard), provide an impetus for increasing global organic cotton production and is a trusted tool to for companies to verify and communicate organically grown content claims to the industry. The GOTS requirements draws on the advice of, and input from, other relevant international stakeholder organisations and experts for regular standard updates.

GOTS came about from the desire to harmonise these standards so that they were internationally recognised. Many products can become GOTS certified, including yarns, fabrics, clothes, home textiles, and more. Having one common standard such as GOTS means textile processors and manufacturers can export their fabrics and garments with one certification that is accepted in all major markets. It defines high-level environmental criteria along the entire organic textiles supply chain and requires compliance with social criteria as well.

GOTS now sets the benchmark for an international common understanding of environmentally friendly production systems and social accountability in the organic textile

sector. In the future, Global Standard gGmbH will continue to do its best to maintain GOTS as a transparent and reliable system, on which the industry, retailers and consumers can rely.

Intertek is accredited for GOTS to certify in three scopes:

- Mechanical textile processing and manufacturing operations and their products
- Wet processing and finishing operations and their products
- Trading operations and related products

Benefits of GOTS to your organization

- Risk management for your supply chain
- Third party certification serves as independent external verification versus self-claims
- Dual quality assurance through onsite inspection and product testing
- Provides the credibility and verification of claims that customers expect

Working with Intertek

Customers using Intertek for GOTS certifications as well as Textile Exchange certifications (GRS, RCS, OCS), will also have

access to Intertek SourceClear. SourceClear brings visibility and traceability in supply chain relationships together with independent validation of product sustainability claims such as recycled content, organic materials, good environmental and social practices where products are manufactured and accurate labelling of products. Intertek is globally accredited to deliver certifications against GOTS standards.

With more than 20 years of experience in delivering end-to-end solutions, we are a trusted partner that helps organizations mitigate supply chain risk and protect their brand.

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