

GOTS offers two label grades that textile products can carry: “organic” and “made with organic” signifying a minimum content of 95% and 70% organic fibres, respectively.

Additional fibres used in the product must meet the applicable GOTS requirements..

For GOTS, the organic status of the fibres is based on certification to an applicable organic production standard within the IFOAM Family of Standards for the relevant scope of production.

GOTS certification covers the subsequent processing of textiles made with these certified organic fibres and applies environmental and social requirements throughout the certified textile processing chain.

Organic fibre production itself is covered by the applicable organic farming certification rather than by GOTS certification.

Our vision is a world where all textiles are produced in accordance with the principles of health, ecology, fairness and care to enhance people’s lives and the environment. Organic textiles are an integral part of this holistic approach.



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the fibres in GOTS Goods



Which fibres are allowed in GOTS goods?

The Global Organic Textile Standard (GOTS) is the worldwide leading textile processing standard for organic fibres, including environmental, Human Rights and social criteria, backed up by independent certification of the entire textile supply chain.



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Organic plant fibres such as...



Cotton



Kapok



Jute



Flax/ Linen



Coir



Hemp



Organic animal fibres, such as



Wool



Cashmere



Silk



Mohair



Alpaca

Animal fibres used in GOTS-certified products must meet the applicable GOTS requirements relating to animal welfare.

Mulesed wool is not permitted in GOTS-certified products.

What are “additional fibres”?

Apart from certified organic fibres, GOTS permits only certain materials as “additional fibres” for the remaining balance of the fibre composition.



A quick glance at allowed additional GOTS fibres...

Individually or in combination up to 30%

- ▮ Non-GMO conventional natural vegetable or animal fibres
- ▮ Lyocell or protein-based fibres*
- ▮ Certain** recycled synthetic (polymer) fibres
- ▮ PLA fibre from non-GMO biomass sources

Individually or in combination up to 10%

- ▮ Regenerated fibres from non-GMO sources
- ▮ Certain** virgin synthetic (polymer) fibres
- ▮ Stainless steel fibres and mineral fibres



Prohibited additional fibres:

- ▮ Conventional Cotton
- ▮ Virgin Polyester
- ▮ Conventional Angora Hair
- ▮ Acrylic
- ▮ Asbestos, Carbon and Silver Fibres
- ▮ Mulesed Wool

*non-GMO and from sources meeting the applicable GOTS requirements

** Refer to the GOTS Standard Section 2 for exact details