

Changelog for the Global Organic Textile Standard (GOTS)

Major changes from version 8.0 to Version 8.1

June 2026

Changes in the Standard

| Section Number | Change implemented | Remarks |
|-------------------------|--|---|
| 2.1.4, and 2.1.7 | Sections reworded for clarity. Language changes to ensure no misunderstanding. | Based on feedback from stakeholders |
| 2.1.6 | Section reworded for clarity and 'live lamb cutting' included. | Based on feedback from CBs and other stakeholders |
| 2.7.1 | Reworded to avoid misinterpretation. | Requested due to repeated misrepresentations by uncertified entities that led to prohibited claims of GOTS. |
| 5.2.6.1 | Durability tests clarified as to be performed after 5 washes, included in the Standard section taking this from the Manual | Required so as to have the requirement clearly mentioned in the Standard, feedback from Certification Bodies. |
| 5.2.7.2 | Limits for PFAS clarified. | Based on stakeholder feedback |
| 8 | Definition of pre-consumer waste clarified | Based on stakeholder feedback |
| Tables | Table numbering corrected and made sequential. | Internal feedback |

Changes in the Implementation Manual

| Section Number | Change implemented | Remarks |
|------------------------------|--|-------------------------------------|
| 2.1.6 | Guidance on animal welfare added to ensure the requirements are clearly understood | Based on feedback from stakeholders |
| 2.2.2 | Guidance on First Processors made clearer | Based on feedback from stakeholders |
| 2.2.3 | Section number corrected in the heading (appeared incorrectly as 2.2.2) | Error corrected. |
| 2.2.6.2 | Corrected section number, appeared incorrectly as 2.2.10.2 | Error corrected. |
| 3.2.10, numbers 1,2,7 | Standard versions corrected (appeared incorrectly in the Manual as GOTS 7.0) | Updated based on feedback. |
| 7.2.3 | Contamination limits for PCP/TeCP and Banned Amines corrected | Errors corrected. |