
POLICY ON THE USE OF CELLULOSIC FIBRES



1. Introduction

This document, intended for Suppliers, formalises the Group's standards and requirements relating to the sourcing of cellulosic fibres, i.e. fibres composed of or derived from cellulose, for example contained in wood pulp.

In line with the Group's commitment to combat deforestation and to protect ancient and endangered forests worldwide, this dedicated policy aims to ensure that its sourcing does not include any fibre derived from ancient or endangered forests.

2. Scope

This policy applies fully and mandatorily to all Tier 1 suppliers of the Group's merchandise and sets out their responsibilities with regard to their sourcing of cellulosic fibres, including rayon, viscose, lyocell, acetate, modal, and cupro. Suppliers are responsible for cascading and enforcing these requirements throughout their supply chain.

Materials that comply with the Group's WeCare standard are deemed compliant with this policy.

These requirements do not apply to certified recycled fibres. Where a product is composed of both virgin and recycled cellulosic fibres, these requirements apply only to virgin fibres.

Any updates to this document will be notified by the Group and shall be applied immediately.

3. Our standards

The Supplier is responsible for systematically verifying the origin of its cellulosic fibres sourcing.

Authorised suppliers

- The sourcing of cellulose fibre must be carried out exclusively from suppliers rated *Dark Green* or *Light Green* in Canopy's *Hot Button Report*, available at the following link: <https://canopyplanet.org/tools-and-resources/hot-button-report>.
- This report assesses suppliers' level of commitment to forest protection and, in particular, evaluates the risks of sourcing from ancient or endangered forests.
- As this list is regularly updated by Canopy, the Supplier must systematically verify that its sourcing complies with the Group's policy.
- Sourcing from suppliers that do not meet this criterion is strictly prohibited.
- For materials not covered by the Canopy report, two exceptions apply:
 - Sourcing of cupro is authorised from Asahi Kasei.
 - Sourcing of SeaCell™ is authorised from Smartfiber.
- The Supplier must be able to provide, upon request by the Group, supporting evidence relating to the origin of its cellulose fibre sourcing.

Closed-loop systems

- The Supplier is strongly encouraged to source from suppliers that implement closed-loop systems for water and chemical management.

4. Evidence

Specific supporting documents must be provided to the Group by the Supplier, depending on the origin of the cellulosic fibres:

- **Lenzing** (fibres: Ecovero™ Viscose, Tencel™ Lyocell, Tencel™ Modal): the Supplier must provide the *Certification Confirmation Letter*, including the style name, its reference number, and the associated PO number(s).
- **Tangshan Sanyou** (fibres: Tangcell™ EcoTang™, Tangcell™ EcoColor™, Tangcell™ ReVisco™, Tangcell™ Modal, Tangcell™ Lyocell): the Supplier must provide the completed *Sanyou Test Certification Application Form*, including the style name, its reference number, and the associated PO number(s), together with the *Fabric Certification Confirmation Letter*.
- **Asahi Kasei** (fibres: cupro): the Supplier must provide the *RCS Transaction Certificate*, indicating 'Recycled pre-consumer cupro'.
- **Eastman Chemical Company** (fibres: Naia™ Renew): the Supplier must provide the *GRS Transaction Certificate*, indicating "Acetate", as well as the *Naia™ Cellulosic Fibre Certification Confirmation Letter*.
- **Smartfiber** (fibres: SeaCell™): the Supplier must provide the test report issued by Smartfiber certifying the presence of SeaCell™ in the material.

5. Controls

Compliance with this policy is subject to controls based on systematic document review. The Supplier must therefore provide all supporting documents required by the Group.

6. Non-compliance and sanctions

In the event of a breach of this policy, and depending on its severity, the Group reserves the right to take one or more of the following measures against the supplier concerned:

- **Return or withdrawal of products:** the products concerned will be immediately withdrawn from sale, at the Supplier's expense. The Supplier must reimburse the full amount of the order and pay a penalty equivalent to the loss of turnover incurred.
- **Formal notice / exclusion:** depending on the severity of the breach, the Supplier may be formally notified (served with notice) and, where appropriate, excluded from the Group's list of suppliers.
- **Review of the partnership:** the Group may initiate a review of the partnership, which may lead to the termination of the contractual relationship.

7. *Appendix*

