

ELK ENVIRONMENTALLY PREFERRED FIBRES & MATERIALS SOURCING GUIDE

PREFERRED FIBRES AND MATERIALS							
	A+: TRANSFORMATIONAL	A: HIGH PERFORMER	B: GREAT OPTION	C: COULD BE BETTER	D: PHASING OUT	E: WE AVOID	?: STILL RESEARCHING
COTTON	RECYCLED COTTON	ORGANIC FAIRTRADE COTTON (GOTS + FAIRTRADE CERTIFIED)	COTTON MADE IN AFRICA (CMIA) ORGANIC COTTON (OCS / GOTS) AUSTRALIAN COTTON (MYBMP)	FAIR TRADE CONVENTIONAL COTTON TRANSITIONAL COTTON	CONVENTIONAL COTTON	UZBEKISTAN COTTON TURKMENISTAN COTTON CHINA COTTON BCI COTTON	
MMCFs	NEXT GEN MMCFs (FROM RECYCLED TEXTILES + AGRICULTURAL WASTE) – TENCEL™ X REFIBRA™ – SODRA ONCEMORE® – BIRLA CELLULOSE™ LIVA REVIVA – TANGCELL® REVISCO™	CANOPY DARK GREEN SHIRT PRODUCER + FSC / PEFC (LYOCELL + MODAL) TENCEL™ LYOCELL TENCEL™ MODAL TENCEL™ CARBON ZERO	CANOPY GREEN SHIRT PRODUCER + FSC / PEFC (VISCOSE / RAYON / ACETATE / TRIACETATE) CANOPY DARK GREEN SHIRT PRODUCER (VISCOSE/RAYON, ACETATE, MODAL, LYOCELL) LENZING™ ECOVERO™ BIRLA CELLULOSE™ LIVA ECO NAIA™ CELLULOSIC FIBRE BEMBERG® CUPRO BAMBOO (FSC / PEFC)	CANOPY GREEN SHIRT PRODUCER (VISCOSE/RAYON, ACETATE, MODAL, LYOCELL) BAMBOO	CONVENTIONAL MMCFs (VISCOSE/RAYON, ACETATE / TRIACETATE, MODAL, LYOCELL)	NON GREEN SHIRT RATED MMCFs	
BAST FIBRES		ORGANIC LINEN ORGANIC HEMP	LINEN (DEW RETTED) HEMP (DEW RETTED) JUTE	LINEN (WATER RETTED) HEMP (WATER RETTED)			EUROPEAN FLAX STANDARD
WOOL	RECYCLED WOOL RECYCLED CASHMERE	RESPONSIBLE WOOL STANDARD (RWS) RESPONSIBLE ALPACA STANDARD (RAS) RESPONSIBLE CASHMERE STANDARD (RCS) ZQRX MERINO WOOL	GOOD CASHMERE STANDARD ORGANIC WOOL (GOTS / OCS)	NON-MULESED MERINO WOOL OR SHEEP WOOL ALPACA	CONVENTIONAL, MULESED SHEEP WOOL	MOHAIR (ANGORA GOAT) CASHMERE (GOAT) CONVENTIONAL ANGORA (RABBIT)	YAK
WOOD		RECYCLED WOOD CORK	WOOD (FSC / PEFC)	UNCERTIFIED WOOD		WOOD FROM ANCIENT AND ENDANGERED FORESTS	
LEATHER		ALT LEATHER (PLANT DERIVED)	RECYCLED LEATHER REMNANT LEATHER	LEATHER WORKING GROUP (LWG)	CONVENTIONAL LEATHER	COW HIDES FROM BRAZIL	ORGANIC LEATHER LAND TO MARKET™
SYNTHETIC FIBRES			RECYCLED SYNTHETICS (GRS / RCS) – POLYESTER, NYLON + ELASTANE WITH PREFERENCE FOR MECHANICALLY RECYCLED		VIRGIN SYNTHETIC FIBRES	DEGRADABLE SYNTHETICS	BIO-BASED SYNTHETICS (PLA, PET, PTT) BIO-DEGRADABLE SYNTHETICS
PLASTICS, FOAM + RUBBER		RECYCLED PLASTICS (GRS)	RECYCLED PLASTICS (RCS) NATURAL RUBBER	RESIN / EPOXY POLYESTER ACRYLIC POLYETHYLENE (PE) THERMOPLASTIC POLYURETHANE (TPU) RUBBER (SYNTHETIC) POLYURETHANE (PU) EVA		POLYVINYL CHLORIDE (PVC) POLYTETRAFLUOROETHYLENE (PTFE) ACRYLONITRILE BUTADIENE STYRENE (ABS) DEGRADABLE PLASTICS	BIO-BASED PLASTICS BIO-DEGRADABLE PLASTICS
METALS		RECYCLED BRASS + OTHER RECYCLED METALS	BRASS	IRON, ZINC, STEEL		NICKEL	OTHER METALS
TRIMS			COROZO NUT BUTTONS RECYCLED POLYESTER BUTTONS				OTHER TRIMS
OTHER			SILK (ORGANIC / PEACE)	SILK (CONVENTIONAL)			CELLULOSE ACETATE GLASS CERAMIC