

Approved fibres and schemes for use under the Fairtrade Textile Standard

The Fairtrade Textile Standard allows the use of “responsible fibres”¹ in textile product composition.

5.2.3 Products with responsible fibres (other than Fairtrade cotton)

Non-Fairtrade responsible fibre products may be sold under Fairtrade terms as long as the fibre and scheme behind it are included on the Fairtrade responsible fibre list and processed in a fully Fairtrade certified supply chain from ginning stage onward. The responsible fibre content rules from the approved responsible fibre scheme apply in this category.

Scheme	Scheme information ²	Fibres
Cotton made in Africa (CmiA)	Cotton made in Africa is an initiative of the Aid by Trade Foundation (AbTF) that helps African smallholder cotton farmers in Africa to improve their living conditions.	Seed cotton
European Union (EU) Organic Program	In the EU, the Council Directive on Organic Farming defines production and certification requirements of organic crops. It is designed to ensure close cooperation with the authorities responsible for the organic sector and guarantee uniform application of the relevant EU laws. (EC) Regulations 834/2007 , 889/2008 and 1235/2008 apply.	Seed cotton produced in accordance with the (EC) regulations
United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) National Organic Program (NOP)	The USDA National Organic Program (NOP) develops the rules & regulations for the production, handling, labeling, and enforcement of all USDA organic products. Organic operations must demonstrate that they are protecting natural resources, conserving biodiversity, and using only approved substances. Code of Federal Regulation (CFR) 7 A-G	Seed cotton produced in accordance with the NOP of the USDA
Lenzing Group	The Lenzing Group is committed to the fundamental principles of sustainable development. The renewable raw material wood is the basis for Lenzing fibres: LENZING™ Modal, LENZING™ Lyocell, LENZING™ Viscose and LENZING™ FR http://www.lenzing.com/en/responsibility/our-approach.html	Cellulose fibres: LENZING™ Modal LENZING™ Lyocell LENZING™ Viscose LENZING™ FR
Better Cotton Initiative	The Better Cotton Initiative (BCI) aims to make global cotton production better for the producers, the environment and the sector. BCI has developed a standard that defines how better cotton is grown.	Seed cotton

¹ A fibre is a natural or man-made substance that can be spun into filament, thread or rope and in a next step be woven, knitted, matted or bound.

² Scheme information provided is from sources own websites