Information Guide



OEKO-TEX STANDARD 100



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What is OEKO - TEX?

OEKO - TEX also known as the International Association for Research and Testing in the field of Textile & Leather Ecology, founding members of the OEKO - TEX consisted of German Hohenstein Institute and the Austrian Textile Research Institute. OEKO - TEX has its headquarters in Zurich founded in the year 1992, it was founded in response to rising consumer concerns regarding the harmful matters in textile products.

OEKO - TEX Certification has its presence worldwide, it certifies that textiles and fabrics are free from harmful chemicals and therefore safe for human utilization. OEKO - TEX Label assures that your product does not possess harmful levels of more than 100 substances that are known to be potentially harmful to human health. OEKO - TEX offers several different labels, the main one is known as Standard 100 by OEKO - TEX. There was no reliable product label for consumers to assess the human ecological quality of textiles prior to the introduction of the OEKO - TEX 100 Standard, nor was there a uniform safety standard for companies in the textile and clothing industry that enabled a practical assessment of potentially harmful substances in textile products. As a result, the Austrian Textile Research Institute and the German Research Institute Hohenstein collaborated to produce the OEKO - TEX 100 Standard based on their existing test standards.

The textile products are awarded the Standard 100 certification/label, on the basis of the OEKO - TEX criteria Catalogue, which is been tested by one of the OEKO - TEX partner institutes for the chemicals that pose a health risk and therefore contributes to effective consumer protection.

What are the focus points of OEKO - TEX 100 Standard Certification?

Important legal regulations such as banned chemicals.

- Covering the Overall processes used in textile manufacturing.
- Every single item from the thread, button to accessories is tested.
- Testing of the textile product on the basis of the criteria catalog.
- Product class defined for the different articles for their intended utilization.
- Stringent regulations than government regulations.



What are the document requirements for ZED Certification?

- 1. Quality System Documentation
- 2. Process Control & Documents
- 3. Performance Measurement Records
- 4. Standard Operating Procedures & Work Instructions
- 5. Visual Management Implementation
- 6. Health & Safety Related Requirements
- 7. Legal & Environmental Compliance
- 8. Human Resources Competence & Upgradation
- 9. Operational System Improvements.

Which Organizations are eligible for OEKO - TEX Certification?

Applicable to all the textile manufacturing industries related to the entire textile supply chain.

How will OEKO - TEX Certification benefit your Organization?

- Customer's trust in your product increases due to the label.
- Access to discerning customers worldwide.
- High level of label recognition in the Market.
- Demonstrate the human-friendly product to customers.
- Advantage over your competitors as labeled manufacturer.
- Internationally recognition of the product due to label.

How much time is required for a certification?

The time it takes for a certification to be issued from the time it is applied for is determined by a variety of factors. You can have a positive impact on them by being well prepared – preferably with gap-free information and paperwork in the context of your certification application, for example. The testing institute will then gladly discuss the specific testing costs with you, as well as the consequent time commitment.



Why is a company audit required for a product certification in accordance with Oeko - tex STANDARD 100?

The corporate audit, which is normally undertaken soon before or after the commissioned OEKO-TEX® institute issues the STANDARD 100 certificate at your location, is an additional mandatory component of the certification procedure. The goal of the company audit is to provide focused support for your firm's quality assurance in regards to compliance with the needed STANDARD 100 criteria.

How PQSmitra help you with a Hassle - free Implementation of OEKO - TEX Standard 100 Certification process?

PQSmitra provides complete support to your organization to get certified to the OEKO - TEX Standard 100. PQSmitra has an experienced team of engineers to help you to get thru the certification process with ease. The Process adopted by PQSmitra for OEKO - TEX Standard 100 Certification process are as follows:

- Initial visit to client's organization to understand the products to be certified.
- Selecting the samples of the products to be certified for OEKO TEX Standard 100.
- Assisting the organization to fill the form.
- Assisting for the documentation required for the certification.
- Submission of the sample of the product to the OEKO TEX institute.
- OEKO TEX Standard 100 Certificate awarded after successful passing of the test.
- Onsite OEKO TEX Audit conducted to ensure the details stated.
- Closure of non-conformities.



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