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INTERTEK'S TRACEABILITY SOLUTIONS



Supply Chain
Visibility



Verified Sustainability
Claims



Qualified and Certified
Suppliers



Traceable and certified
Products and Raw
Materials



TRACEABILITY SOLUTIONS



Intertek's supply chain assurance experts support clients with navigating the complex world of traceability standards ensuring they achieve their sustainability needs.

Along with our innovative solutions, technology and talented experts, we are helping clients gain supply chain visibility and traceability of materials and products through entire value chain, to assure with confidence sustainability and product labelling claims.

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**TEXTILE EXCHANGE
AND GOTS UPDATE**

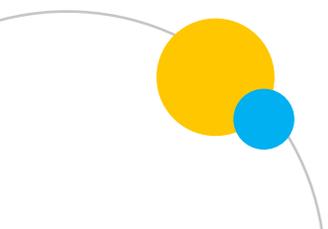
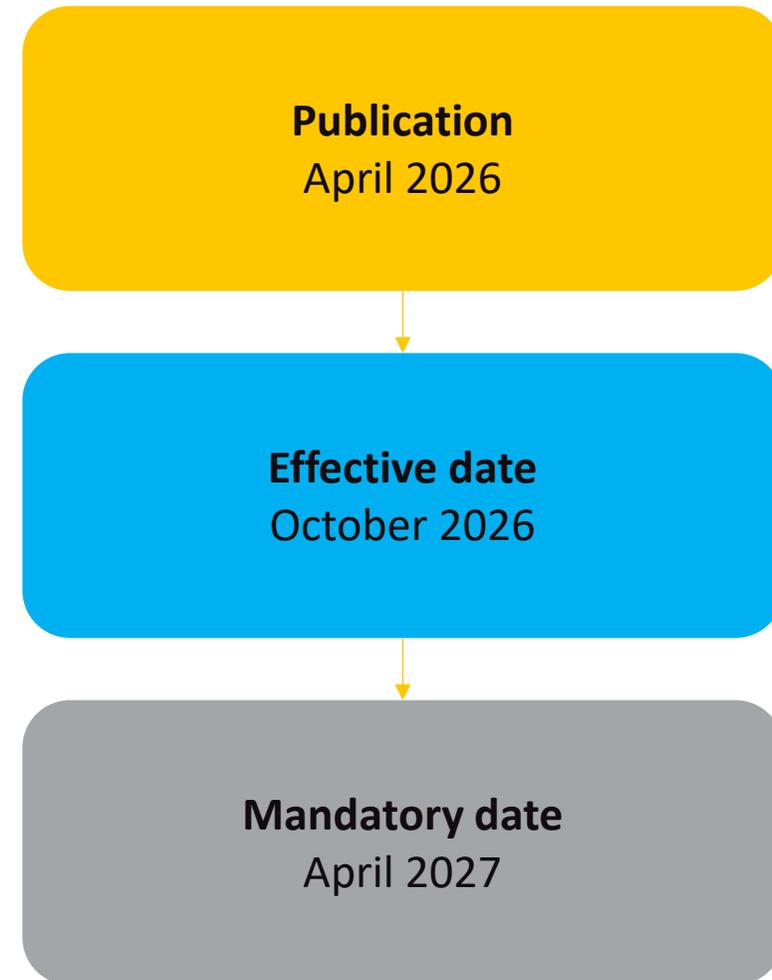


UPCOMING CHANGES – TEXTILE EXCHANGE



April 2026:

- Policy for Scope and Transaction Certificates
- Scope Certificate template
- Transaction certificate template



UPCOMING CHANGES – TEXTILE EXCHANGE



Material Matters Standard

- The Materials Matter Standard represents a significant shift in how Textile Exchange standards connect to impact. It sets detailed requirements for the production and primary processing of raw materials—from how land, water, and energy are used, to how working conditions, animal welfare, emissions, chemicals, and waste are managed. Its purpose is to provide a common language and shared direction for the industry, while recognizing the unique contexts of different material producers, processors, and the communities and landscapes they depend on.
- *The main goal is* to align the ambition, rigor, and expected results across its material-specific standards and transition the industry into a more coherent, science-aligned way to measure and verify impact.

December 31, 2026

The Materials Matter Standard becomes effective, meaning eligible organizations can request audits by approved certification bodies

December 31, 2027

The standard becomes mandatory, meaning that auditing and certification will be required for prior standard scopes superseded by the new standard

UPCOMING CHANGES – GOTS

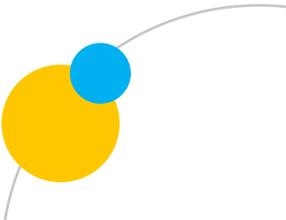


Key Timeline

- Version 8.0 Published — March 2, 2026
- Digital Signatures Introduced — Q3 2026
- Mandatory Implementation — March 2027

Key Updates in Version 8.0

- The updated Standard strengthens requirements for air emissions and waste management, as well as criteria for product safety.
- It introduces new provisions on circularity, microfibre management and updates in residue testing.
- Version 8 also elevates due diligence obligations and formalises governance requirements, including ESG disclosure, anti-corruption policies and conflict-of-interest safeguards, to support credible, responsible business conduct.
- The introduction of mandatory due diligence processes is based on OECD guidelines and provides even greater clarity for companies





UPCOMING CHANGES – GOTS

New tools – References to GOTS tools like the Due Diligence Handbook for Certified Entities.

Updated due diligence requirements – New due diligence criteria help to better align with OECD guidelines.

Increased worker protections – New criteria to strengthen worker protections to mitigate risks from extreme heat, humidity and other extreme weather conditions.

Elaborated climate criteria – Clearer requirements strengthen greenhouse gas emissions management, including Scope 1 & 2 inventory, documentation and improvement.

Strengthened GMO verification – Updated testing references improve confirmation of non-GMO cotton fibres.

A clear GOTS Manufacturing Restricted Substances List – A dedicated section introduces clearer and stronger requirements for chemical inputs and formulators.

Enhanced chemical input controls – Stronger chemical management, including clarified limits for free aniline in indigo dyes.

An endocrine disruptor assessment – New guidance aligns chemical evaluation with EU legislation.

Stricter PFAS controls – Tightened limits and updated testing significantly strengthen the PFAS ban.

Circularity requirements – Certified products can now remain within GOTS certification across repair, resale and other circular business models.

Testing for durability and robustness - Expanded technical quality tests to ensure improved product longevity and compliance of certified final goods.

New packaging criteria – Comprehensive packaging rules promote recycled content, restrict harmful materials and support alignment with emerging regulations.

Microfibre controls and monitoring – Risk-based measures are required to address microfibre release during processing and measure fragmentation in the final product.

Strengthened textile waste management – Clearer requirements improve handling and reduction of textile waste.

Waste hierarchy guidance – Prioritisation of prevention, reuse, recycling and responsible end-of-life solutions.

Improved hygiene product safety – New testing and residue rules enhance safety for tampon products.



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WHAT'S NEW IN SOURCECLEAR 2.0



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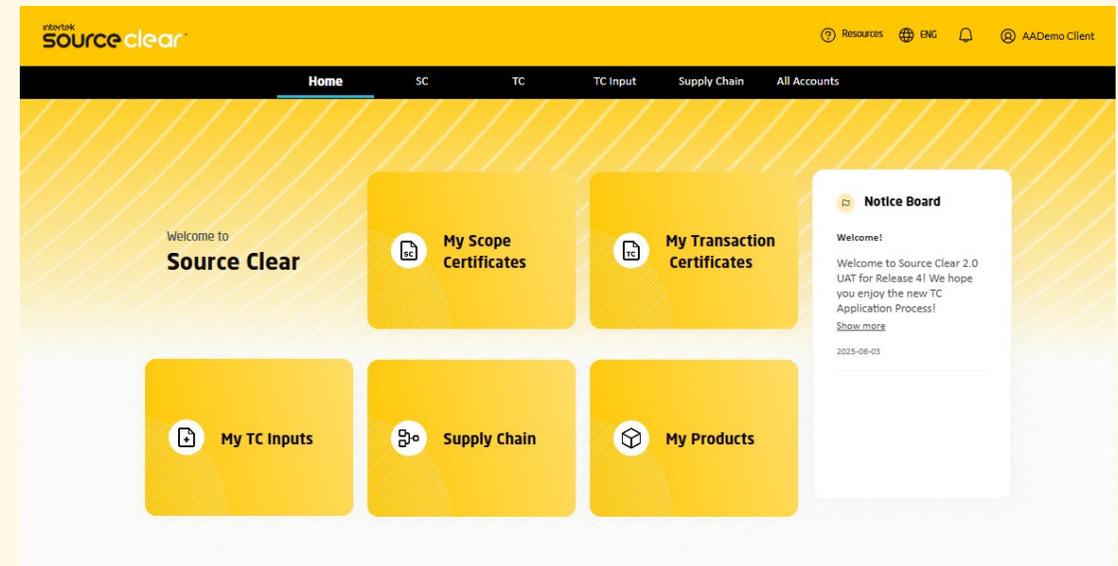
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SOURCECLEAR SOLUTION



- Intertek **SourceClear** brings **visibility and traceability of materials in the supply chain** so that companies can demonstrate sustainability claims with confidence
- Intertek experts provide a risk-based approach and independent verification and review of supplier qualifications, movement of products/components from raw material to final product to ensure **integrity of supply chain relationships and product claims**
 - Qualification of suppliers through desktop and/or onsite audits and certifications
 - Verification of products and materials claims through testing, chain of custody audits
 - Technical support , training, and guidance for suppliers
 - Credibility and verification of claims through accredited certifications : Textile Exchange, GOTS



WHAT IS NEW IN SOURCECLEAR 2.0



IMPROVED DATA MODEL AND USER EXPERIENCE

- Complete re-design of data structure:
 - Improve data quality and integrity; improved business intelligence
 - Ability to introduce industry agnostic certificate program management
 - Stronger foundation to scale product traceability services
- Improved user experience for our customers
- System translated to Chinese and Turkish. Spanish to come next.
- Improved chatter feature for seamless and fast communication
- Enhanced APIs with Textile Exchange (dTrackit) and GOTS (GTB)

ENHANCED SCOPE CERTIFICATE/TRANSACTION CERTIFICATE (TC) PROCESSES

- Simplified, single-screen scope and transaction certificate applications
- Material composition and geographic origin automations
- Redesigned TC input interface
- Improved data entry process and user experience throughout TC
- Enhanced TC input product management
- Streamlined TC input document uploading

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**SOURCECLEAR
DEMO**



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NEXT STEPS FOR SOURCECLEAR

SOURCECLEAR 2.0 | NEW TRACEABILITY SERVICES



Chain of Custody (CoC) Verifications

Sustainability or Eco Claims Certificate Management

SERVICE SCOPE

- Supply chain mapping and chain of custody evidence at each input /output level.
- AT PO level, suppliers upload all documentation to substantiate full chain of custody.
- Intertek conducts document review to verify material origin declarations, validate external product claims, reduce risk for unauthorized subcontracting

- A platform for managing and verifying sustainability or green claims certificates from their supply chain
- Ensure credibility and proper documentation. Suppliers upload the necessary certificates and documentations
- Intertek oversee the supplier engagement and communication along with providing expert authentication and verification of reliability, scope, and integrity of the claim.
- Clients may access real-time certification statuses for all manufacturers and suppliers

WHY

- Ensure compliance with regulatory traceability requirements

- Reduce risk of greenwashing when making claims on final products

Gain the visibility, assurance, and confidence needed to build resilient, responsible, and fully traceable supply chains.

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