

CERTIFICATIONS AND STANDARDS

To assure that our materials and processes are as promised, we work with various certifications and standards covering materials, production and the employees in the factories we are working with.



GOTS - GLOBAL ORGANIC TEXTILE STANDARD

Today, our collections consist of about over 70 % GOTS-certified garments yearly. The standard guarantees a composition of 70-95% organic fibers, including organic cotton, organic wool, organic linen and others. The remaining non-organic percent of the composition must also be in sustainable materials, either recycled or eco-friendly regenerated fibers from unthreatened and certified forestry like Modal® or Tencel®.

GOTS demands rigid environmental criteria on the entire manufacturing process, from raw material to final product. It includes everything from farming, harvesting, production, processing, manufacturing to packaging and branding. There are strict regulations about chemical use, recycling, and waste management. Whereas the cultivation of conventional cotton relies heavily upon the use of toxic pesticides and GMO, organic cotton employs crop rotation, beneficial insects and other natural methods to ensure the health of soil and water sources. As importantly, GOTS does not only include environmental criteria throughout the whole process but social criteria regarding the working environment, salary, working time and child labor.



OCS - ORGANIC CONTENT STANDARD

We use the Organic Content Standard on our products GOTS can't cover. While GOTS requires 70-95 % organic fibers in the product, OCS requires only 5 %. That means OCS is a good alternative to GOTS when controlling the organic products that are blended with other fibers, as our silky sweat fleece program where we mix organic cotton and Modal®. The OCS is a third party verification that proves the final product contains organic fibers, by tracing and checking each process along the supply chain. OSC also covers organic linen, organic hemp, organic wool among others.



GRS - GLOBAL RECYCLE STANDARD

This standard is a complete whole-chain standard certifying the final fabric or final product from the first phase of raw material to the end. GRS controls and traces that there is recycled content inside the material and also includes environmental principles - chemical restrictions list and social working conditions requirements. With recycled polyester and recycled polyamide being the most common recycled fibers, recycled cotton, recycled wool, and others also apply to GRS.



OEKO-TEX® STANDARD 100

This certification is an independent testing system that tests material or garment for substances harmful to human health. All our suppliers work with Oeko-Tex® 100 Standard on all or several of their materials. At Mini Rodini, we see this certification as an additional bonus chemical control next to our own more strict one.



FAIRTRADE

The Fairtrade certification ensures that cotton farmers receive fairer working and living conditions and better paid. By increasing unit prices for us as buyers, the farmers can make their production more strong and sustainable. They are also obliged to have an environmental protection policy regarding water, chemical and waste management. Meanwhile, they are also encouraged to make their production organic if possible. Fairtrade certified products for Mini Rodini will always be organic. Having certifications from two different third parties is an extra security and control that proves the product is sustainably and fairly made.



SA-8000

SA-8000 standard is a social workplace practice certification for organizations based on ILO, UN Declaration of Human Rights, and local law. It is set-up in nine elements including child labor, health, safety and working hours. Continuous annual audits control that the requirements are complied with. Several of our suppliers are SA-8000 certified, assuring us the trust that working conditions are decent.



FSC - FOREST STEWARDSHIP COUNCIL

FSC is an international independent non-governmental and non-profit organization certifying wood products, working globally with sustainable and responsible forest management. It contains both environmental and social principles and makes sure the material does not come from threatened or ancient forests. The materials Mini Rodini use with FSC certification are mostly the paper for packing such as hangtags, brochures, and gift boxes.

BIONIC FINISH ECO

For products impregnated with water- and soil-resistant finishes, fluorocarbons are the most commonly used in traditional and non-sustainable production. It is a harmful group of chemical substances that breaks down very slowly in nature and are easily spread through air and waterways and found worldwide in nature, wildlife and human bodies. The fluorocarbons are found to lead to hormone-disturbing and reproductive health problems.

To avoid this and protect nature we use Bionic Finish Eco on all our water repellent outerwear. It is an entirely fluorine-free and biodegradable alternative impregnation made by the company Rudolf Group. The technique is also free from formaldehyde and paraffin.