

Factsheet

ECO PASSPORT by OEKO-TEX®

TESTED AND VERIFIED CHEMICALS

ECO PASSPORT by OEKO-TEX® is an independent testing and certification system for chemicals, colourants and auxiliaries, which are used for the production of textiles and leathers.



PRODUCT DESCRIPTION

As part of the verification process, we assess whether chemicals and their individual substances meet specific requirements in relation to sustainability, safety and compliance with legal requirements.

- **STAGE I:** Comparison of the CAS number of the chemical ingredients against the ECO PASSPORT by OEKO-TEX® list of chemicals of concern (RSL/MRSL).
- **STAGE II:** Analytical verification in our OEKO-TEX® laboratories to ensure that the certified products can be used in the sustainable production of human-ecologically optimised textiles and leathers.
- **STAGE III:** Verification of product stewardship measures related to working conditions and environmental management (assessment and On-Site Visit).

STAGES I and II are mandatory to receive the ECO PASSPORT certificate. STAGE III is optional and carried out at the applicant's request. The products that meet the requirements are certified accordingly.

THE COMPELLING BENEFITS

- Compliance screening with REACH's Candidate List of Substances of Very High Concern and with the OEKO-TEX® RSL and MRSL provides you with a cost-effective testing program.
- Through independent data evaluation and analytical testing, you create a high degree of trust and promote the marketing value of your chemicals.
- You will have the opportunity to highlight your certified textile and leather chemicals with more than 13,000 OEKO-TEX® Buying Guide users as part of an efficient, credible, and sustainable approach to chemical sourcing.
- You will receive a label for the clear identification and traceability of your certified products containing a reference to the certification by third parties.
- With the ECO PASSPORT by OEKO-TEX®, you can also confirm that your products conform to the MRSL of the ZDHC Programme. The ZDHC recognizes the ECO PASSPORT by OEKO-TEX® as a „MRSL Conformance Indicator Level 3“ - the highest conformance level in the current ZDHC program.

YOUR PATH TO ECO PASSPORT by OEKO-TEX®

1. You fill out the application form on www.oeko-tex.com/ecopassport, and contact your supervising OEKO-TEX® institute.
2. You send a representative sample of the chemical, auxiliary or colourant (approx. 50 g, individually packaged with production date and batch number) to your OEKO-TEX® institute.
3. You fill out the questionnaire and provide all necessary documents (only by STAGE III).
4. An OEKO-TEX® Quality Assurance Officer visits the production facility on-site to check the stated production conditions (only by STAGE III).
5. Upon completion of the certification, you will receive the following documents:
 - The RSL screening report with the results from STAGE I.
 - The laboratory report with the analysis results from STAGE II.
 - The On-Site Visit report with the results from STAGE III (valid for 3 years).
 - The valid ECO PASSPORT certificate.
 - The ECO PASSPORT label.

VALIDITY

The ECO PASSPORT certificate is valid for 1 year.