

# Factsheet

## ECO PASSPORT by OEKO-TEX®

### TEXTILE CHEMICALS. TESTED AND VERIFIED.

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.



### 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.
- **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.
- **STAGE III:** Verification of product stewardship measures related to working conditions and environmental management (assessment and On-site visit).

STAGE 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 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 THE ECO PASSPORT by OEKO-TEX®

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1. You fill out the application form on [www.oeko-tex.com/ecopassport](http://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® QA 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.
  - The valid ECO PASSPORT certificate.
  - The ECO PASSPORT label.

## VALIDITY OF THE CERTIFICATE

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The ECO PASSPORT certificate is valid for one year.