

As an amendment to the current version of the **Migros Requirements for Textiles** Restricted Harmful Substance List (RSL), the requirements given below in the framework of the MIGROS eco-program are regarded as a basis for **transparency** and **traceability** as well as for **verification** and continuous **optimization** of introduced products.

The Migros eco-program follows the **principle of prevention** and ultimately has the removal of ecologically harmful substances as a goal.

As guideline values for regulated substances, the MIGROS RSL-determined threshold values are applicable, which can be detected by the indicated testing methods. Since the goal is the avoidance of all listed substances, the given threshold values should not be interpreted as lower limits.

Every eco-supplier as well as all producers in the supply chain are obligated to communicate the eco-criteria to sub-suppliers, to systematically assure their sustained compliance and to demonstrate this as follows:

Continuous and complete documentation

- I. Declaration of all stages involved in the production of an eco-article
- II. All production processes to be documented by completed and signed audit questionnaires
- III. Safety data sheets and/or product specifications of all chemical substances and formulations used during production as well as additional documentation of materials, coloring agents and additives with specification of toxicological and ecological values

Eco-suppliers and all producers within the supply chain of an eco-article give their consent to announced inspections of their production facilities for verifying their provided information as well as production standards and systems for the avoidance of harmful substances. Alternatively, adherence can be proven through operation certifications and accompanying audit reports recognized by Migros.

Additional requirements on eco-textiles

1. No application of bleach containing chlorine.

Justified exceptions may be approved on the basis of proof of appropriate waste water handling.

2. No use of nanotechnology for equipment.

3. No use of chemical formulations with nanoparticles.

4. No combination of azo pigments color index Pigment Orange 34, Pigment Orange 13 with color index Pigment Black 7.

5. No usage of printing systems based on the use of naphtha; reduction and substitution of formulations containing mineral oil.

6. No use of antimicrobial equipment (without defined exceptions).

7. No use of chrome tanning coloring agents.

8. Reduction and substitution of ecologically harmful substances during production (EDTA, substances from the candidate list, DCB pigments as well as other materials according to the current state of science and technology).

9. No use of coloring agents and/or additives for which no safety data sheet is available corresponding to one of the listed standards:

- ANSI Z400.1-2004
- ISO 11014-1
- 1907/2006 EEC (Reach)
- 2001/58/ EEC
- GHS (Global Harmonized System)

10. Proof of adherence to laws and regulations with regard to gas exhaust, solid waste and sewage.

Scope of application

The scope of application for the eco-criteria has to do with outer layers, filler material, constituents and accessories of textile articles.

Still exempt are parts of Migros articles that are not permanently connected such as packaging material, tags or removable components. For other components that fall under regulations for toys or that must fulfill other legal guidelines, the relevant legal or Migros QS requirements are applicable.