## Using the GOTS Logo – on and off product



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### **Licensing system – May 2017**



- The GOTS Logo is a registered trademark.
- The GOTS logo may be used as on-product and consumer label to market GOTS certified textiles
- The GOTS logo is permitted for Combined Products.
- All labels must be approved by Certifiers using an appropriate form.
- The Logo can be used off-product as well.

LICENCING AND LABELLING GUIDE

### On product labelling (Section 4.1)



- A GOTS logo applied on GOTS Goods in such a way that it is visible to the buyer / consignee in the textile supply chain and to the end consumer at the time of purchase.
- To identify GOTS Goods
  - Packaging
  - Hangtag
  - Label

### **Product Marking**



- A GOTS logo applied to GOTS Goods presented in catalogues, on web pages, on advertisements or other publications (e.g. by mail order companies).
- Conditions of use are the same as that for a label.

 In all cases, the user must ensure that there is no confusion between certified and other goods in any publication and/or advertising.

### Off-Product marking (Section 8)



- Any other application of the GOTS logo not covered under the Product Marking / On-Product Application
- Use of logo without specific and direct reference to GOTS
   Goods
  - business cards
  - letterheads
  - publicity materials.

### Who can use the GOTS Logo off-product



- GOTS themselves and their founding organisations
- CBs referring to their Approved status
- Certified Entities and Retailers with reference to their certified operations
- Stakeholders, NGOs, media and others that distribute independent, consumer information.

### Labelling – a visible commitment to the consumer





### What information must a GOTS label have ?



- The correct GOTS Logo
- The Label Grade
- The licence number
- Reference to the Certification Body

# The older version of GOTS is still a registered trademark!



- All labels that are in the market are still valid.
- If you have ready (correct) labels with the older logo, please use them up.
- •Please move to the new version of the logo for all new materials.



'organic'
Certified by [certifier's ref.]

## Label requirements

Logo, Grade, Licence and Reference



Using 95 – 100% organic fibers:



Using 70 – 94% organic fibers:



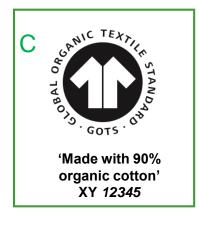
### **Correct & Incorrect Labelling**

Logo, Grade, Licence and Reference















Product name can be added to label grade 'organic' Shortest labelling option possible; ref. to certifier can be part of the license number

Black version; Label grade 'made with organic' correct (70-94% organic fibre)

### **Correct and incorrect labelling**

Logo, Grade, Licence and Reference











"100% organic" not possible as label grade; Reference to certifier missing



Garment should be white or natural griege;
License number missing



Old GOTS logo; Label grade is "made with (70%) organic..."

### Right or Wrong?







### Right or wrong?





CERTIFICATE NO. CU854073GOTS-01.2017 REGISTRATION NO. CU 854073

GOTS is recognized as the world's leading processing standard for textiles made from organic fibers.

### **Examples of Combined Product Labels**







'Organic' Certified by [certifier's ref.] [licence number]

#### COMBINED PRODUCT [name of component] certified to GOTS



'Made with x%<sup>1</sup> organic in-conversion materials' Certified by [certifier's ref.] [licence number



Representative photograph only.

### Logo use by suppliers of additives



 Producers or suppliers of GOTS Additives may choose to use the GOTS logo for informative and/or advertising purposes under certain conditions.

 Use of the GOTS Logo is allowed on lists of approved GOTS Additives with a reference to the approving Certifier and on payment of an additives licence fee



### Thank you!



**Questions?** 

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