

Acne Studios

Classification Tools

FY 2023/2024



Acne Studios preferred material classification

Fiber classification tool					
Fibers	Preferred+	Preferred		Phase out	Banned
Natural fibers: Cotton Hemp Linen	Regenerative & traceable (Regenagri) Organic GOTS Recycled (GRS, RCS)	Organic (OCS) European Flax™ linen		Uncertified & untraceable natural fibers	
Natural animal fibers: Alpaca Cashmere Mohair Wool Yak Silk Down	Regenerative & traceable (ZQRX) Recycled (GRS, RCS)	Responsible Alpaca Standard certified (RAS) Responsible Mohair Standard certified (RMS) Responsible Wool Standard certified (RWS) Responsible Down Standard (RDS) Traceable animal fibers Organic (GOTS, OCS) Peace silk		Uncertified & untraceable natural fibers	Angora Mulesed wool Non-RDS down
Leather	Regenerative & traceable leather Recycled leather (GRS, RCS) Biobased leather alternatives	Preferred leather as defined in our Preferred Leather Classification Tool.		Uncertified & untraceable leather	Fur Exotic skins Leather from Brazil without farm traceability
Synthetics	Medically recycled (GRS, RCS) Fiber-to-fiber recycled (GRS, RCS) Biobased synthetics	Chemically recycled (GRS, RCS)		Conventional synthetics	
Manmade cellulose fibers	Made with better raw materials, i.e. agricultural residues or pre/post consumer textiles: Circulose® Infinna™ Refibra® Agraloop BioFibre™	Preferred viscose (FSC certified + Canopy green button) Crailar® Monocel® Tencel® Eco Pure modal Ecovero® LivaEco by Birla Eastman Naia™ Soalon™ Triacetate Bemberg RCS Cupro		Conventional MMCFs	

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Leather classification tool				
	Preferred*	Good	Discouraged	Banned
Animal welfare	Low risk countries	Mid risk countries	High risk countries	Brazil, Bangladesh
Traceability	Slaughterhouse	Animal country of origin	Hide country of origin	No traceability
Tanning	LWG gold/silver	LWG bronze/audited	No LWG member	No commitment
Vegan Leather	Bio based PU	Water based PU	Solvent based PU	PVC

- *Preferred leather meets the following criteria:
- Low risk countries on animal welfare: European Union, United States, Canada, Japan, New Zealand, Australia, Uruguay
 - Slaughterhouse traceability: Verified traceability back to slaughterhouse
 - Tanning: LWG gold/silver: Tannery is audited by LWG and reached silver or gold score
 - Vegan leather: Made of biobased PU that consists of at least 30% bio-based materials (i.e., agricultural waste) combined with water based PU

Shoe classification tool				
	Preferred	Good	Discouraged	Banned
Upper	See fiber and leather classification tool			
Soles*	Natural FSC rubber Bio-based TPU/EVA Recycled TPU/EVA/rubber	EVA Water-based TPU	Petroleum-based plastics/rubber	PVC

*We consider soles sustainable if they consist of 'preferred' sole materials, combined with 'good' sole materials.

Acne Studios denim wash classification

Denim wash classification tool				
	Low impact*	Medium impact	High impact	Banned
Water use, liter/kg	0-35	35-80	>80	
Energy use, kWh/kg	0-2	2-4	>4	Sandblasting
Chemical impact**	EIM Score: 0-25 Bluesign GOTS	ZDHC approved	N/A	

*All criteria are based on Jeanalogica's environmental impact measuring (EIM) scoring.
 **In case EIM scoring of chemical impact is not available, we refer to usage of GOTS or Bluesign approved chemicals.



