

FACTS

RESPONSIBLE WOOL STANDARD (RWS)

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Behind every Merino garment there is a great sheep.



Südwolle Group offers the Responsible Wool Standard as part of our multiple supply chain options.

Merino sheep.

Our resource. Our foundation. From where it all begins. Nature's engineers provide us with such an amazing fibre. We owe them to make sure their needs are met. The RWS is a standard developed by Textile exchange and industry professionals as a global non-profit organization that works closely with all sectors of the textile supply chain.



What the RWS is about:

- Responsible farm management
- The Five Freedoms
- Best land management practices
- Supply chain traceability
- Consumer confidence
- Communication and collaboration across the supply chain and textile industry

How does the certification work?

Every stage of manufacturing involved in the wool production process is certified with transaction documentation in order to guarantee seamless supply chain transparency.

Farm Scope

- Animal Welfare
- Land Management

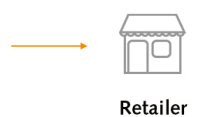


Farm RWS certified wool



Supply Chain Scope

- Chain of custody



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Why would I request a standard or get certified?

Third-party standards are extremely efficient tools to drive change in an industry. They help disseminate a set of criteria by making expectations clear. Moreover they provide a high level of oversight through inspections, interviews and document-checking.



Am I facing changes in communicating my yarn requirements?

Please be prepared to communicate your RWS certified requirements earlier in the process versus conventional orders. There are some investments in time and resources necessary to get certified wool. We will work closely together to find the best and quickest solutions. Communication is key!



Is there a price difference between conventional and RWS certified products?

There is a premium for certified products. This is attributed to the administrative effort needed for the end-to-end certification, the guarantee of transparency and the maintenance of high quality levels for the product.



Does the RWS have an impact on yarn quality?

We strive to source all our wool tops to the same high quality standards according to the range of application.



What do the scope and transaction certificates encompass?

A scope certificate guarantees a company producing certain goods to a given standard and an accepted verification through third party audits.

A transaction certificate verifies the shipping of goods from one company to another conform to a certain standard.



Are you interested? Your next steps

Contact our sales team. We are RWS certified in our dyeing and spinning mill with full access to certified wool top suppliers.

Develop a strategy for RWS application by defining required volumes, decide on target dates and required amounts of 100% certified wool yarn and blends.

We are happy to share our network and offer our support!



Stock service for circular knitting qualities

Serengeti Nm 48/1
100% Merino 19.3 mic RWS certified
Total Easy Care

Yellowstone Nm 60/1
100% Merino 19.3 mic RWS certified
Total Easy Care

Roller RWS Nm 28/2
100% Merino 27.5 mic RWS certified
raw white
special qualities on request

Lahn Combi Nm 32/1
80% Merino 23,5 mic RWS certified Total Easy Care
20% Nylon 3,3 dtex



Flat knitting qualities

Victoria RWS Nm 30/2 36/2 48/2
100% Merino 19.5 mic RWS certified
anti-shrinkage

Nabesna RWS Nm 48/2
100% Merino 19.5 mic RWS certified
untreated

Margerie RWS Nm 48/2
100% Merino 21 mic RWS certified
untreated

Bering RWS Nm 16/2
80% Merino 19.3 mic RWS certified
20% Polyamide
X-Care