



# GRS Certification for Final Products Policy

The following GRS-105 policy is introduced to supplement criteria and site auditing applicability for sites handling GRS certified final products without further processing.

# Section A – General Information

### Al. Implementation

- A1.1 The following implementation timelines apply:
  - A1.1.1 The *GRS Certification for Final Products Policy 4.0* is effective January 16, 2023, and may be used immediately.
  - A1.1.2 All audits and assessments conducted on or after January 16, 2023, shall be conducted using *GRS Certification for Final Products Policy 4.0*.
- NOTE: *GRS-105-v4.0* is the earliest version of this document in order to align with the versions of the Global Recycled Standard (*GRS-101*).

### A2. References

- A2.1 All *organizations* are subject to the criteria of the following documents. All can be found at <u>TextileExchange.org/Standards</u>.
  - A2.1.1 <u>TE-301 Standards Claims Policy</u> This document describes the language and design criteria for communication related to the Standard;
  - A2.1.2 <u>GRS-101 Global Recycled Standard (GRS)</u>; and
  - A2.1.3 <u>CCS-101 Content Claim Standard (CCS)</u>.
- A2.2 Key *auditing* and certification criteria for certification bodies are specified in the following documents:
  - A2.2.1 <u>ASR-101 Accreditation and Certification Procedures for Textile Exchange</u> <u>Standards</u>;
  - A2.2.2 GRS-102 GRS Certification Procedures;
  - A2.2.3 <u>CCS-102 CCS Certification Procedures</u>; and





#### A2.2.4 ASR-213 Materials, Processes, and Products Classification.

# Section B – Applicability of GRS Certification Criteria

# B1. Identification of Organizations Purchasing Final Products

- **B1.1** An organization may be considered to be purchasing exclusively GRS certified *final products* if all of the following criteria apply:
  - **B1.1.1** All of the organization's sites which are included on the scope certificate are <u>not</u> processing claimed materials, and instead are limited to processing categories PR0000 (no processing), PR0035 (brand), and/or PR0031 (warehousing and distribution).
  - **B1.1.2** All *claimed material* inputs for GRS are *final products*, which will be sold to the consumer in their current state and without further processing which is not minor in nature (see *CCS-101-v3.1*, criterion B1.5).

## B2. Applicability of GRS Modules

- **B2.1** Any organization purchasing exclusively GRS certified final products is <u>not</u> required to meet or be audited to Sections B (Social Requirements), C (Environmental Requirements), and D (Chemical Requirements) of the *GRS-101-v4.0*.
- **B2.2** The criteria of the *CCS-101 Content Claim Standard* and of the *TE-301 Standards Claims Policy* remain applicable to organizations purchasing exclusively GRS certified final products. Refer to *CCS-101-v3.1*, section B1 for details on when the organization is required to be certified.