Samples

Selecting & Packing
Representative Samples

HOHENSTEIN

OEKO TEX® STANDARD 100

OEKO TEX® LEATHER STANDARD

Please Note

- All samples must be from current production runs and in new condition as they would be received by a customer.
- An incomplete selection of samples may result in restrictions to the certified article group.
- Where dyestuffs, auxiliaries or reviving agents are used in different quantities, articles that use the highest quantity must always be selected (worst-case scenario).

Sample Packing Requirements

Protect the samples to ensure accurate and reproducible test results.

- Test samples must be packed **individually** in tear resistant polyethylene film or polyethylene bags and sealed with adhesive tape, to avoid contamination during transport.
- The packed bags must be **properly labeled** for identification with sample numbers, material, supplier, receipts, etc.
- Packing test samples solely in cardboard boxes and/or paper is strictly prohibited.
- Whether shipping from separate locations, direct from suppliers or in one box, please ensure all samples are clearly and correctly labeled so that they can be matched with your application.

Shipping Address

Please send original/completed/signed documents, relevant supplier certificates and samples to the attention of Abby Mead in our U.S. office.

Hohenstein Institute America
Attn: Abby Mead
304 Sroufe Street
Ligonier, IN 46767

Phone: 800.731.9468

Fully Pre-certified Products

The entire product has been OEKO-TEX® certified (relabeling).

Submit:

- Copy of the OEKO-TEX® certificate for each pre-certified product
- Samples of pre-certified products per chart below

Number of OEKO-TEX® supplier certificates	Number of complete products to submit, with copy of certificate (Send only finished products, not individual components)
1-4	1 product for each certificate
5-10	5 products - each representing a different certificate
11-20	7 products - each representing a different certificate
21-50	10 products - each representing a different certificate
over 50	15 products - each representing a different certificate

Products with Pre-certified Inputs

At least one input, but not the entire product, has been OEKO-TEX® certified.

Submit:

- One finished product
- Copies of all OEKO-TEX® certificates for all pre-certified inputs
- Samples of pre-certified inputs per chart below
- Samples of each preliminary input without certification (see next page)

Number of OEKO-TEX® supplier certificates (pre-certified inputs)	Number of pre-certified input samples representing different certificates to submit with copy of certificate
1-4	1 input sample for each certificate
5-10	5 input samples - each representing a different certificate
11-20	7 input samples - each representing a different certificate
21-50	10 input samples - each representing a different certificate
over 50	15 input samples - each representing a different certificate

Products with NO pre-certified inputs

Submit:

- One finished product
- Samples of each preliminary input (see next page)

Sample Sizes

Fibers, Yarns, Fabrics, Leathers

- Minimum 150 g per material composition
- Minimum of one sample per supplier/origin
- All types of bonding process for non-wovens
- Representation of all colors & treatments plus all finishing & coloration processes (see explanation on below)

Accessories

- Minimum 150 g per material composition
  (Zipper example: 150 g of tape, 150 g of teeth, 150 g of coil, 150 g of slider with lacquer)

Large articles (mattresses, foam, etc.)

- Mattress parts/foams = 2 pieces, 25 cm x 20 cm x maximum thickness

Treatments, Dyestuffs, Colors, Prints

Submit material samples including:

- All types of pre-treatment, finishing & coloration processes
- All dye classes & dyestuffs evenly distributed in maximum concentration
- Samples in red, yellow, green, blue, black, white, orange & purple
- Max 5 dyestuffs per sample
- Samples in each fluorescent color to be tested separately
- **All printing dyestuffs in maximum concentration:**
  - Solid printed color swatch: 12” x 12” (30 x 30 cm)
  - One block print per dyestuff, five samples from current production for each printing process
- **Screenprints, heat transfer, sublimation, direct, etc.**
  - 12” x 12” full coverage drawdowns of red, yellow, green, blue, black, white, orange & purple
  - Submit a collection of printed samples that will cover red, yellow, green, blue, black, white, orange & purple in pattern

Cotton

If GMO testing is required or requested:

- Unprocessed, unbleached, undyed cotton - directly from the finishers
- If necessary, any retesting of processed cotton will be invoiced