



bioRe® Sustainable Textiles Standard

Version 1.0

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1. Purpose

This document specifies the ethical, social and environmental requirements of the bioRe® Sustainable Textiles Standard. In other words, the document sets the criteria under which the exclusive licensee of bioRe®, Remei AG, ensures supply chain management and sources ready-made textiles from its supply-chain partners.

2. About the bioRe® Sustainable Textiles standard

bioRe® Foundation is the owner of the brand/ trademark bioRe® and defines the standards for bioRe® Sustainable Cotton and bioRe® Sustainable Textiles.

Remei AG is the exclusive licensee of the quality labels bioRe® Sustainable Cotton and bioRe® Sustainable Textiles and provides the use of both quality labels to clients through contracts.

The bioRe ® Sustainable Cotton Standard currently applies for contract producers in India and Tanzania affiliated to the respective organisations. The standard contains social and environmental criteria with regard to cotton production, based on organic cotton being addressed by organic certification schemes which are successfully adhered to. Social development and environmental excellence focus on the socioeconomic improvement of cotton farmers' and workers' livelihoods. The framework is based on a human rights based approach, enhancing effective and right-based participation of beneficiaries and the fulfilment of human rights. The scope includes agriculture and the first processing which is the ginnery, producing cotton lint.

The bioRe® Sustainable Textiles standard reflects sourcing and manufacturing principles in a comprehensive sustainable supply chain covering Tier 1 to Tier 4. It is guided by the following five values: bioRe® Sustainable Cotton, fair production, ecological and skin-friendly, CO₂-neutral and traceable back to fibre.

The standards focus on positive development and the long term, continuous improvement of processes.

For further information about the bioRe® Sustainable Cotton and the bioRe® Sustainable Textiles standard, visit www.biore.ch.

4. Scope

The bioRe® Sustainable Textiles standard applies to the supply chain processes of the further processing of bioRe® Sustainable Cotton till the ready-made textiles. The scope includes all processing steps after ginning onwards till the ready-made textiles.

5. List of requirements

1. Structural requirements

- 1.1. Remei AG implements an internal management system for the bioRe® Sustainable Textiles Standard.
- 1.2. Remei AG leads and controls a supply chain management system for the entire textile chain from fibre to finished textiles.

2. bioRe® Sustainable Cotton

- 2.1. All cotton, except accessories and additional fibre materials, used for the production of bioRe® Sustainable Textiles must origin from cotton fibres of bioRe® Sustainable Cotton.
- 2.2. Remei AG ensures through every supply chain that bioRe® Sustainable Cotton has been used.
- 2.3. Remei AG conducts annually a plausibility check of mass flow of used bioRe® Sustainable Cotton and Textiles.

3. Fair Production

- 3.1. Direct suppliers of Remei AG in high-risk countries according to amfori must be SA 8000 certified.
- 3.2. Sub suppliers of direct suppliers in high-risk countries according to amfori, which are not SA 8000 certified, have to be audited according to amfori BSCI or appropriate alternatives audit scope.

4. Ecological and skin-friendly

- 4.1. The bioRe® Sustainable Textiles products are fulfilling the product requirement (PAP) of bioRe® Sustainable Textiles.

5. CO₂ neutral

- 5.1. The carbon footprint of the produced bioRe® Sustainable Textiles is calculated.
- 5.2. Remei AG ensures monitoring and reporting regarding CO₂- neutrality of bioRe® Sustainable Textiles.

6. Traceable back to fibre

- 6.1. Every bioRe® Sustainable Textiles product is traceable back to fibre.

7. Change history

Version number	Effective date	Major changes
V 0.0	17.6.2019	Draft version
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8. Contact

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