

ANIMAL WELFARE POLICY

CBR FASHION GROUP

Fashion should never come at the expense of animal welfare. To eliminate unethical practices in our supply chains, we only accept animal-based materials or manufacturing facilities with recognised certification for CBR products and always require appropriate documentation. Otherwise, we completely refrain from using them.

This policy reflects our animal welfare requirements and is based on CBR's production guidelines. This is binding for all procurement and production activities and applies to our entire product range as well as at all levels of the supply chain.

Our animal welfare policy goes beyond strict compliance with applicable legal requirements, underpinning our commitment to ethical procurement and responsible business conduct.

BANNED ANIMAL-DERIVED MATERIALS

We prohibit the use of animal materials obtained through cruel practices. Further, we reject the breeding, keeping or slaughtering of animals solely for fashion purposes.

To protect biodiversity and prevent the exploitation of wild animals, we prohibit the use of materials derived from wild, exotic or endangered species, including those listed by the International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN) or regulated under CITES (Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora).

The use of the following is therefore strictly **prohibited**:

- **Animal horns and bones** in any form. The use of **pearls, coral and shells** in all product designs and components is also categorically prohibited.
- **Silk** obtained by boiling live silkworms or destructive harvesting of cocoons. In addition, other sources are also prohibited if there is no verifiable evidence of more animal-friendly production methods.
- **Exotic skins or skins from wild animals**. This includes animals such as slink, astrakhan, karakul, Persian lamb, broadtail and krimmer.
- **Down and feathers** of any animal origin. This also includes derivatives from exotic birds such as ostrich, peacock, grey goose and marabou.
- **Animal hair other than sheep wool**. This includes angora rabbit hair and all other hair from animals bred in cages for the purpose of hair production (such as rabbits, raccoons, martens, foxes, squirrels, sables, chinchillas and ferrets).
- **Real fur**, including fur from animal species such as mink, fox, rabbit, sable, karakul lamb, chinchilla and raccoon dog. CBR's CECIL and Street One brands have been members of the [Fur Free Retailer](#) programme since 2013. The newly launched Street One Studio and Street One MEN brands also do not use real fur. They joined the programme in 2025, reaffirming the group's long-standing position against the use of fur.

APPROVED AND SPECIFIED USE OF ANIMAL-DERIVED MATERIALS

CBR permits the use of animal materials only under clearly defined conditions that ensure compliance with applicable animal welfare standards and our requirements. The following provisions apply to wool and leather used in CBR brand products.

WOOL

CBR only accepts **wool from live, domesticated sheep**; this specifically excludes mohair, cashmere and alpaca wool. The use of wool is subject to the following conditions:

- All wool must come from farms that are certified according to a **recognised and approved certification standard** (refer to appendix for accepted standards).
- CBR strictly prohibits the use of wool from farms that practise **mulesing**, as this procedure raises significant animal welfare concerns.

LEATHER

CBR permits the use of **leather only** under the following conditions:

- The leather must come **from cattle, buffalo, sheep, goats or pigs** that were bred for meat production. The use of leather from animals bred solely for fashion production is not permitted.
- CBR expressly prohibits the use of leather from fetuses or newborn animals, including but not limited to slink, astrakhan, karakul, Persian lamb, broadtail and krimmer.
- Skinning and boiling live animals is strictly prohibited under all circumstances.
- All leather must come from leather manufacturers that are certified according to a **recognised and approved certification standard** (refer to appendix for accepted standards).

COLLABORATION ON COMPLIANCE

In order to effectively implement CBR's animal welfare policy, we rely on close collaboration with our suppliers and their networks. All suppliers must comply with our procurement standards themselves and pass them on to all relevant partners. This is the only way to ensure that all certification-specific requirements associated with the materials they supply are met. We verify compliance by requesting the provision of appropriate documentation.

SPEAK-UP LINE

Compliance is a matter of course for CBR. Information about possible violations can be communicated - also anonymous if desired- via our [CBR Fashion SpeakUp Line](#). It is available in 70 languages and can be reached at any time via the internet, app and telephone. Further information about our whistleblower system can be found [here](#).

APPENDIX

ACCEPTED STANDARDS

CBR and its brands have license agreements with the owners of the following branded materials, allowing their use and declaration under respective terms and conditions:

- **LENZING™ Lyocell (TENCEL™ Lyocell)**
- **LENZING™ Modal (TENCEL™ Modal)**
- **LENZING™ Viscose (LENZING™ ECOVERO™ Viscose)**
- **Livaeco™ Viscose**
- **Livaeco™ Modal**
- **REPREVE® Recycled Polyester**

Furthermore, CBR and its brands requires certification for certain material attributes (e.g. "recycled" or "organic") securing more sustainable practices in the supply chain of **cotton, polyester, nylon, and linen** through a chain of custody until the production facility of CBR articles:

- All production facilities must be certified under an applicable standard issued by either Textile Exchange or Global Standard gGmbH and present a valid Scope Certificate at the time of transaction; in exceptional cases, scope certificates of the material supplier may suffice (e.g. paddings and fillings)
- For every purchase of certified material that is used in the production of a CBR article, Transaction Certificates must prove the chain of custody at a certified production facility under the applicable standard.

The same applies for any use of **wool** in CBR articles that needs to be certified under the Responsible Wool or Global Recycled Standard by Textile Exchange.

Similarly, CBR and its brands only accept **leather** from leather manufacturers whose facilities hold the GOLD or SILVER certification standard by the Leather Working Group.