

NIKIN AG Supplier Environment & Sustainable Report

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1 Supplier Information

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Company Address:	Żarnowcowa 12 91-479 Łódź Poland
Age of the company:	6 years
Contact of responsible person:	Albert Pietrasik

2 About

NIKIN wants to increase the transparency of the production towards the customers and the community and relies on a good and long term partnership with the producer and trust, as well as on certificates and/or standards (e.g., GOTS) whenever possible.

This is a report created by NIKIN and advised by the sustainability experts of ecos.

We ask the producer to answer the following questions honestly and truthfully. The aim is to identify the status of the social and sustainability aspects of the products. It is a process, if questions are not fulfilled or can not be answered yet, it's not a problem. Our goal is to improve together and therefore we want to reinsure our partnership. This means we will try to find the most suitable solution for both parties.

3 Company Information

3.1	Is your company certified or audited? If yes, please list certications or audits and expiry date. e.g.GOTS (04.2021) e.g Fairwear or Amfori (BSCI)	□ yes ⊠ no □ don't know	Certificates & Audits:
3.2	Is your company a Family Business? Please justify your answer.	⊠ yes □ no □ don't know	Comment: From 1989 my parents start producing beanies. First I work for them. Now we work together with father.
3.3	What production steps is your company doing? e.g. Cutting, Sewing, Dying.		Steps: Producing fabric, cutting, seewing, packing
3.4	How many employees are working in your company?		Number of employees:10
3.5	Do you have subcontractors to whom you pass on entire NIKIN orders because you have too little capacity or for other reasons? If yes, please list the companies and all their certificates.	□ yes ⊠ no □ don't know	Subcontractor names & certificates: It was impossible to find people which will keep quality and price. But I was looking many times
3.6	How do you work with your suppliers? How well do you know them and how transparent is the supply chain? Please explain.		Comment: Most of my suppliers I know more than 10 years. Only exeption is Polylana which is new for me.

4 Environment

The following questions relate to environmental aspects of your company. Please answer all questions honestly. If questions cannot be answered, you can select "don't know". However, please explain if there's another system in place or why the question can't be answered.

4.2	Do you do something with your production waste? E.g. recycling If not, how is it disposed? E.g. landfill, burned etc Please justify your answer Do you do something to spare resources in the production? E.g. cutting tool optimization or education Please justify your answer		Comment: We used to prepare pillows/ luftzugstopper with rest of cutted material. Not used part is delivered to recycling company. Comment: We invested into Knit&wear machines — i.e. ripped beanies, loops are made without seewing. It saves app. 15% of material. But not all styles are possible to made this way.
4.3	Do you have an internal waste concept? If yes, please explain, what are you doing? e.g separating and recycling PET bottles, cardboard Please justify your answer	⊠ yes □ no □ don't know	Comment: We are separating all recyclable resources. Cardboards are used few times for storing/transporting materials before they go to be recycled
4.4	What sort of energy do you use for production? E.g. energy from solar panels Please justify your answer	□ yes □ no □ don't know	Comment: We use traditional energy. But all machines have changed motors into energy saving, we partially changed into led lightening
4.5	If you have processes with water, do you have a system in place to minimize water consumption. Please justify your answer	□ yes ⊠ no □ don't know	Comment: We don't use water for production
4.6	Is your wastewater treated before it goes back into groundwater? Please justify your answer	□ yes □ no	Comment:
4.7	Is your company CO2 neutral?	⊠ don't know ☐ yes	Comment: We use traditional
	Please justify your answer	⊠ no □ don't know	energy which in Poland is mostly from caol. Also weather in Poland is quite cold which means we need to heat a lot. Now we have gas heating.

5 Social Responsibilities

The following questions relate to social aspects and the treatment of employees of your company. Please answer all questions honestly. If questions cannot be answered, they can be left open. However, please explain if there's another system in place or why the question can't be answered.

1. Working rights

5.1.1	Does your company offer a legally binding employment relationship? (Written employment relationship, rights apply to subcontracted work). Please justify your answer	yes □ no □ don't know	Comment: All employes are working on agreement, with retirement plan/ health care etc.
5.1.2	Is there any form of forced labour or a ban on free choice of work in the company? Please justify your answer	□ yes ⊠ no □ don't know	Comment:
5.1.3	Are you offer or allow to your employee's association and collective negotiation rights? Please justify your answer	yes ⊓ no don't know	Comment: I'm the youngest person in company. Most people working for me know me since I was little kid. They don't afraid to ask me if anything is needed
5.1.4	Is there a system in place to prevent discrimination in the workplace? How do you ensure that there is no discrimination in the workplace with regard to gender, age, religion, race, ethnic or national origin, citizenship, religion, age, disability, gender, marital status, pregnancy, sexual orientation, trade union membership, political orientation, social background or any other circumstance? Please justify your answer	□ yes ⊠ no □ don't know	Comment: We don't have any written rules about that. However we used to work with everyone who is good at his job.

2. Working Conditions

5.2.1	What is the minimum living wage in your country?		Comment: +-620 EUR
5.2.2	Does your company pay living wages? Please justify your answer	yes □ no □ don't know	Comment: We used to pay 10% more than living wage for less qualified workers and more for others. Last 2 year living wage increased by 25%
5.2.3	How many hours a week and how many days a week your employee's work?		Hours/Week:40 Days/Week: 5

5.2.4	Do you confirm that your employees work in appropriate workhours and have at least one day a week off? Please justify your answer Does your company ensure occupational health and safety for its employees? If Yes, please justify how.	⋈ yes□ no□ don't know⋈ yes□ no	Comment: we used to work 8 hours a day from Monday till Friday. Exept knitting when we work 8 hours shifts 6 days a week Comment: Yes. All people have access to health care. Whe don't work with factors
		☐ don't know	influencing health
3. Gene	eral Questions		
5.3.1	What is the age of the youngest person in your company and in which employment relationship is this person employed?		Age: 36 Employment: owner
5.3.2	Does your employee is able to address complains at your company? If Yes, please justify how and if there are independent authorities.	□ yes□ no⊠ don't know	Comment: As wrote before I know all me employes since many years. But we don't have official way to make complains.
5.3.3	Does your company do something to ensure employees satisfaction? Organising events, rewards? If Yes, please justify what or how.	yes □ no □ don't know	Comment: We have 2 times a year (Christmas/easter) company dinner with gifts. We have traditions that on birthday everyone get present and we sit together.
5.3.4	Does your company offer further education possibilities? If Yes, please justify how.	□ yes⋈ no□ don't know	Comment:
5.3.5	Is there anything NIKIN could do to support the education or happiness of your employees? If Yes, please justify what.	□ yes □ no ⊠ don't know	Comment:

6 Transportation

The following questions relate to packaging and transport aspects of the above-mentioned company. Please answer all questions honestly. If questions cannot be answered, they can be left open. However, please explain if there's another system in place or why the question can't be answered.

1. Transportation & Storing

6.1.1	What transportation is your company using? e.g. Train, Truck, ship Please explain your answer.	Type(s): Trucks.
6.1.2	Does your company document their transportation? If Yes, please justify how.	Comment: For each transport it's CMR document

Can you ensure that storage and transport		Comment: We send only one
of products do not cause contamination or	□no	client order at once. We use
mixing?		different colors of tapes for
If Yes, please justify how.	☐ don't know	different clients.

2. Packaging

6.2.1	What packaging material is your company using? e.g. Cardboards		Type(s): cardboards
6.2.2	Is the packaging you use certified? If Yes, please list the certificates and expiry dates. e.g. FSC 05.2022	□ yes □ no □ don't know	Comment:
6.2.3	Does your company use recycled & recyclable packaging or reusable system in packaging. (e.g. example Repack) If Yes, please justify how.	□ yes ⊠ no □ don't know	Comment: We used to send goods in boxes we have yarn but it was not good size for EUR pallet. Also used boxes are different quality.
6.2.4	Does your packaging contain polyvinyl chloride (PVC) ?	□ yes ☑ no □ don't know	Comment:

7 Optional - Please introduce yourself in a short Video (max. 30 sec.)

In order to show the customers and the community who is behind the products, we would like to show a video of you on the website, if you allow us to do so.

Please film yourself with your smartphone or a camera and introduce yourself briefly.

What do we want to know?

- What is your name? (Please do not mention the company name because of competitors of NIKIN)
- What is your position in the company?
- What products does your company make for NIKIN?
- In which country is your company located and what is a must-see cultural site or a must-taste food?

Format:

- Landscape
- Max. 30 seconds
- Quality, as good as possible. With smartphone or camera. No background noises.

Do you agree that the video can be used on the web page and social media? (Yes/No)

8 Attachments

- Complete Supplier Environment & Sustainable Report
- All valid certificates for environmental, social or packaging criteria

- Introduction Video (optional)
- Complete Material & Subcontractor Report per Article

9	Sign	nature	9

With the signature the responsible person promises to ha	ave filled in all the information truthfully.
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Signature of the responsible person: Date and location:

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