

# **BRAND PERFORMANCE CHECK**

# Picture Organic Clothing

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#### ABOUT THE BRAND PERFORMANCE CHECK

Fair Wear Foundation believes that improving conditions for apparel product location workers requires change at many levels. Traditional efforts to improve conditions focus primarily on the product location. FWF, however, believes that the management decisions of clothing brands have an enormous influence for good or ill on product location conditions.

FWF's Brand Performance Check is a tool to evaluate and report on the activities of FWF's member companies. The Checks examine how member company management systems support FWF's Code of Labour Practices. They evaluate the parts of member company supply chains where clothing is assembled. This is the most labour intensive part of garment supply chains, and where brands can have the most influence over working conditions.

In most apparel supply chains, clothing brands do not own product locations, and most product locations work for many different brands. This means that in most cases FWF member companies have influence, but not direct control, over working conditions. As a result, the Brand Performance Checks focus primarily on verifying the efforts of member companies. Outcomes at the product location level are assessed via audits and complaint reports, however the complexity of the supply chains means that even the best efforts of FWF member companies cannot guarantee results.

Even if outcomes at the product location level cannot be guaranteed, the importance of good management practices by member companies cannot be understated. Even one concerned customer at a product location can have significant positive impacts on a range of issues like health and safety conditions or freedom of association. And if one customer at a product location can demonstrate that improvements are possible, other customers no longer have an excuse not to act. The development and sharing of these types of best practices has long been a core part of FWF's work.

The Brand Performance Check system is designed to accommodate the range of structures and strengths that different companies have, and reflects the different ways that brands can support better working conditions.

This report is based on interviews with member company employees who play important roles in the management of supply chains, and a variety of documentation sources, financial records, supplier data. The findings from the Brand Performance Check are summarized and published at <u>www.fairwear.org</u>. The online <u>Brand Performance Check Guide</u> provides more information about the indicators.

# BRAND PERFORMANCE CHECK OVERVIEW

#### Picture Organic Clothing Evaluation Period: 01-04-2018 to 31-03-2019

MEMBER COMPANY INFORMATION	
Headquarters:	Gerzat, France
Member since:	01-04-2017
Product types:	Outdoor, Sportswear
Production in countries where FWF is active:	China, India, Turkey, Viet Nam
Production in other countries:	France, Lithuania, Taiwan, Thailand
BASIC REQUIREMENTS	
Workplan and projected production location data for upcoming year have been submitted?	Yes
Actual production location data for evaluation period was submitted?	Yes
Membership fee has been paid?	Yes
SCORING OVERVIEW	
% of own production under monitoring	86%
Benchmarking score	46
Category	Good



#### Summary:

Picture has met most of FWF's performance requirements. With a monitoring threshold of 86% using external audit reports and a score of 46, the member is in the 'Good' category.

Picture sources most of its products from two main suppliers: one located in China and one in Turkey. In its last financial year, the member consolidated its supply chain. However, it sources in quite a variety of countries, and thus still needs to pay close attention to its due diligence process.

In its second year of membership, Picture was still working on gathering all the correct sourcing information, including that of subcontractors. Picture made improvements on its requirements by creating a Syrian refugee policy for Turkey. A FWF audit was conducted at the Chinese supplier, but because accurate working hours and wages data could not be collected, a lot of work remains to be done regarding legal minimum wage and living wage indicators.

Picture releases its factory list on its website, which good practice in terms of transparency. In the coming year, the member needs to explain FWF's mission and methodology to both of its main suppliers in order to start working on CAPs.

#### PERFORMANCE CATEGORY OVERVIEW

Leader: This category is for member companies who are doing exceptionally well, and are operating at an advanced level. Leaders show best practices in complex areas such as living wages and freedom of association.

Good: It is FWF's belief that member companies who are making a serious effort to implement the Code of Labour Practices—the vast majority of FWF member companies—are 'doing good' and deserve to be recognized as such. They are also doing more than the average clothing company, and have allowed their internal processes to be examined and publicly reported on by an independent NGO. The majority of member companies will receive a 'Good' rating.

Needs Improvement: Member companies are most likely to find themselves in this category when major unexpected problems have arisen, or if they are unable or unwilling to seriously work towards CoLP implementation. Member companies may be in this category for one year only after which they should either move up to Good, or will be moved to suspended.

Suspended: Member companies who either fail to meet one of the Basic Requirements, have had major internal changes which means membership must be put on hold for a maximum of one year, or have been in Needs Improvement for more than one year. Member companies may remain in this category for one year maximum, after which termination proceedings will come into force.

Categories are calculated based on a combination of benchmarking score and the percentage of own production under monitoring. The specific requirements for each category are outlined in the Brand Performance Check Guide.

## **1. PURCHASING PRACTICES**

PERFORMANCE INDICATORS	RESULT	RELEVANCE OF INDICATOR	DOCUMENTATION	SCORE	MAX	MIN
1.1a Percentage of production volume from production locations where member company buys at least 10% of production capacity.	87.05%	Member companies with less than 10% of a production location's production capacity generally have limited influence on production location managers to make changes.	Supplier information provided by member company.	4	4	0

**Comment:** Picture works with two main suppliers who make up 84% of their total production, the remaining percentage is made up of smaller suppliers. In 2018, 87% of its production came from production locations where it buys at least 10% of production capacity.

Picture started to consolidate its supply chain in last financial year by regrouping similar products in existing production locations factories : beanies, shirts, backpacks (one each) and stopped producing helmets, thus going down from 27 to18 suppliers for garment and accessories.

PERFORMANCE INDICATORS	RESULT	RELEVANCE OF INDICATOR	DOCUMENTATION	SCORE	MAX	MIN
1.1b Percentage of production volume from production locations where member company buys less than 2% of its total FOB.	9.57%	FWF provides incentives to clothing brands to consolidate their supplier base, especially at the tail end, as much as possible, and rewards those members who have a small tail end. Shortening the tail end reduces social compliance risks and enhances the impact of efficient use of capital and remediation efforts.	Production location information as provided to FWF.	3	4	0

Comment: The diversity of products, in particular accessories, are responsible for the Picture's tail end.

PERFORMANCE INDICATORS	RESULT	RELEVANCE OF INDICATOR	DOCUMENTATION	SCORE	MAX	MIN
1.2 Percentage of production volume from production locations where a business relationship has existed for at least five years.	86.11%	Stable business relationships support most aspects of the Code of Labour Practices, and give production locations a reason to invest in improving working conditions.	Supplier information provided by member company.	4	4	0

**Comment**: Picture has involved its main suppliers in its own development, trying to grow together with them in a partnership relationship, since the creation of the business.

PERFORMANCE INDICATORS	RESULT	RELEVANCE OF INDICATOR	DOCUMENTATION	SCORE	MAX	MIN
1.3 All (new) production locations are required to sign and return the questionnaire with the Code of Labour Practices before first bulk orders are placed.	2nd years + member and no new production locations selected	The CoLP is the foundation of all work between production locations and brands, and the first step in developing a commitment to improvements.	Signed CoLPs are on file.	N/A	2	0

PERFORMANCE INDICATORS	RESULT	RELEVANCE OF INDICATOR	DOCUMENTATION	SCORE	MAX	MIN
1.4 Member company conducts human rights due diligence at all (new) production locations before placing orders.	Advanced	Due diligence helps to identify, prevent and mitigate potential human rights problems at suppliers.	Documentation may include pre-audits, existing audits, other types of risk assessments.	4	4	0

**Comment:** For Due Diligence work, Picture has a policy document for choosing new supplier called: Guidance for working with new suppliers. It includes: 1/Social responsibility with FWF COLP and a Social checklist and 2/ Environmental requirements (linked to eco-friendly materials, production processes, carbon footprint).

The "social checklist" for working with a new supplier is used by anyone visiting new potential suppliers (including agents), to start gathering information before initiating new partnerships: exisiting audits, certifications, other buyers of the factory...

Picture contacts other brands (including FWF members) who source in fatcories to investigate further on production planning, materials, social aspects etc.

FWF Country studies and Basic health and safety checklist are shared with agents and colleagues in charge of sourcing.

Recommendation: Picture should evaluate country-specific risks for countries where FWF is not active.

PERFORMANCE INDICATORS	RESULT	RELEVANCE OF INDICATOR	DOCUMENTATION	SCORE	MAX	MIN
1.5 Production location compliance with Code of Labour Practices is evaluated in a systematic manner.	Yes	A systemic approach is required to integrate social compliance into normal business processes, and supports good decisionmaking.	Documentation of systemic approach: rating systems, checklists, databases, etc.	1	2	0

Comment: Picture monitors social compliance but doesn't have an evaluation system yet.

PERFORMANCE INDICATORS	RESULT	RELEVANCE OF INDICATOR	DOCUMENTATION	SCORE	MAX	MIN
1.6 The member company's production planning systems support reasonable working hours.	General or ad-hoc system.	Member company production planning systems can have a significant impact on the levels of excessive overtime at production locations.	Documentation of robust planning systems.	2	4	0

Comment: Picture has two seasons a year Spring-Summer (SS) and Fall-Winter (FW). It takes 1.5 years from

the development of a new collection until the delivery of products.

The production of the SS items takes about 4.5 months, whereas the FW products demand 6 months because of their complexity.

In terms of production planning, the most complex part concerns fabrics. The brand discusses with CMT production locations their needs in fabrics (according to a rough estimation of orders) and then places orders of woven and knitted fabrics in order to facilitate production.

Picture also tries to carry out 50% of similar fabrics from one season to the next, so that surplus can be used in the following production season.

At the design level, the number of different fabrics in one item was reduced from 3 different kinds to 2, also to simplify logistics and potential timeline bottlenecks.

Production planning is made by using a retro planning method from delivery time communicated by factories back to fabric making. After its sales meetings, Picture orders 30% of fixed orders that will be produced in low production season, in order to balance with peak season.

There is a sort of peak season in Summertime so that the brand receives products for "Back to school" season in September.

**Recommendation:** FWF recommends Picture to discuss with the factories how to deal with planning of production during peak season to prevent excessive overtime.

PERFORMANCE INDICATORS	RESULT	RELEVANCE OF INDICATOR	DOCUMENTATION	SCORE	MAX	MIN
1.7 Degree to which member company mitigates root causes of excessive overtime.	Insufficient efforts	Some production delays are outside of the control of member companies; however there are a number of steps that can be taken to address production delays without resorting to excessive overtime.	Evidence of how member responds to excessive overtime and strategies that help reduce the risk of excessive overtime, such as: root cause analysis, reports, correspondence with factories, etc.	0	6	0

Comment: The factory shares with the brand the number of minutes needed for the different styles ordered

which then enables booking capacities and prepare the planning.

However, since overtime records could not be checked during the audit at the main supplier, Picture could not

start discussing potential overtime and links with production planning.

**Requirement:** Picture should investigate to what extent its current buying practices has an effect on the working hours at supplier level. A root cause analysis of excessive overtime should be done to investigate which steps can be most effective to reduce overtime.

PERFORMANCE INDICATORS	RESULT	RELEVANCE OF INDICATOR	DOCUMENTATION	SCORE	MAX	MIN
1.8 Member company can demonstrate the link between its buying prices and wage levels in production locations.	Insufficient	Understanding the labour component of buying prices is an essential first step for member companies towards ensuring the payment of minimum wages – and towards the implementation of living wages.	Interviews with production staff, documents related to member's pricing policy and system, buying contracts.	0	4	0

**Comment:** Picture uses an overview of wage information with Legal Minimum Wage (LMW) in all countries and then links it to its production locations. But so far, the member hasn't studied how its prices can guarantee payment of LMW, yet.

**Requirement:** Picture needs to demonstrate an understanding of the link between buying prices and wage levels, to ensure their pricing allows for the payment of the legal minimum wage.

PERFORMANCE INDICATORS	RESULT	RELEVANCE OF INDICATOR	DOCUMENTATION	SCORE	MAX	MIN
1.9 Member company actively responds if production locations fail to pay legal minimum wages and/or fail to provide wage data to verify minimum wage is paid.	No	If a supplier fails to pay minimum wage or minimum wage payments cannot be verified, FWF member companies are expected to hold management of the supplier accountable for respecting local labour law. Payment below minimum wage must be remediated urgently.	Complaint reports, CAPs, additional emails, FWF Audit Reports or additional monitoring visits by a FWF auditor, or other documents that show minimum wage issue is reported/resolved.	-2	0	-2

**Comment:** In FWF audit findings, the Chinese supplier was not trasnparent on overtime working hours and related time records, and thus on wages. This has for consequence that wages couldn't be checked properly by the audit team.

**Requirement:** If a supplier is not transparent about wages, the member is expected to respond as if minimum wages have not been paid. The member is required to start an investigation into the causes of the incomplete data, discuss this with the supplier and collect evidence of payment of legal minimum wage. Factory visits with a document check or additional verification by FWF may be needed to verify remediation.

PERFORMANCE INDICATORS	RESULT	RELEVANCE OF INDICATOR	DOCUMENTATION	SCORE	MAX	MIN
1.10 Evidence of late payments to suppliers by member company.	No	Late payments to suppliers can have a negative impact on production locations and their ability to pay workers on time. Most garment workers have minimal savings, and even a brief delay in payments can cause serious problems.	Based on a complaint or audit report; review of production location and member company financial documents.	0	0	-1

PERFORMANCE INDICATORS	RESULT	RELEVANCE OF INDICATOR	DOCUMENTATION	SCORE	MAX	MIN
1.11 Degree to which member company assesses and responds to root causes for wages that are lower than living wages in production locations.	Insufficient	Assessing the root causes for wages lower than living wages will determine what strategies/interventions are needed for increasing wages, which will result in a systemic approach	Evidence of how payment below living wage was addressed, such as: Internal policy and strategy documents, reports, correspondence with factories, etc	0	6	0

Comment: Picture doesn't have an insight yet on linking prices and labor costs at the factory level yet.

Picture created an overview with living wage benchmarks from FWF wage ladders (picking the highest benchmark and the most recent data to get a specific amount).

For a whole outdoor range, the Chinese suppliers had to increase prices (due to labor costs increase and inflation); both the brand and the supplier agreed to share the increase's funding.

**Requirement:** Picture must assess the root causes of wages that are lower than living wages, taking into account its leverage and effect of its own pricing policy. Picture is expected to take an active role in discussing living wages with its suppliers. The FWF wage ladder can be used as a tool to implement living wages, to document, monitor, negotiate and evaluate the improvements at its suppliers.

PERFORMANCE INDICATORS	RESULT	RELEVANCE OF INDICATOR	DOCUMENTATION	SCORE	MAX	MIN
1.12 Percentage of production volume from factories owned by the member company (bonus indicator).	None	Owning a supplier increases the accountability and reduces the risk of unexpected CoLP violations. Given these advantages, this is a bonus indicator. Extra points are possible, but the indicator will not negatively affect an member company's score.	Supplier information provided by member company.	N/A	2	0

PERFORMANCE INDICATORS	RESULT	RELEVANCE OF INDICATOR	DOCUMENTATION	SCORE	MAX	MIN
1.13 Member company determines and finances wage increases	None	Assessing the root causes for wages lower than living wages will determine what strategies/interventions are needed for increasing wages, which will result in a systemic approach.	Evidence of how payment below living wage was addressed, such as: internal policy and strategy documents, reports, correspondence with factories, etc.	0	4	0

**Requirement:** Picture should analyse what is needed to increase wages and develop a strategy to finance the costs of wage increases.

PERFORMANCE INDICATORS	RESULT	RELEVANCE OF INDICATOR	DOCUMENTATION	SCORE	MAX	MIN
1.14 Percentage of production volume where the member company pays its share of the target wage	0%	FWF member companies are challenged to adopt approaches that absorb the extra costs of increasing wages.	Member company's own documentation, evidence of target wage implementation, such as wage reports, factory documentation, communication with factories, etc.	0	3	0

Requirement: The member is expected to begin setting a target wage for its production locations.

# PURCHASING PRACTICES

Possible Points: 45 Earned Points: 16



# 2. MONITORING AND REMEDIATION

BASIC MEASUREMENTS	RESULT	COMMENTS
% of own production under standard monitoring (excluding low-risk countries)	70%	
% of production volume where monitoring requirements for low-risk countries are fulfilled	1%	To be counted towards the monitoring threshold, FWF low-risk policy should be implemented. See indicator 2.9. (N/A = no production in low risk countries.)
Meets monitoring requirements for tail-end production locations.	N/A	1st or 2nd year member and tail-end monitoring requirements do not apply.
Requirement(s) for next performance check		
Total of own production under monitoring	86%	Measured as percentage of production volume (Minimums: 1 year: 40%; 2 years 60%; 3 years+: 80- 100%)

PERFORMANCE INDICATORS	RESULT	RELEVANCE OF INDICATOR	DOCUMENTATION	SCORE	MAX	MIN
2.1 Specific staff person is designated to follow up on problems identified by monitoring system	Yes	Followup is a serious part of FWF membership, and cannot be successfully managed on an ad-hoc basis.	Manuals, emails, etc., demonstrating who the designated staff person is.	2	2	-2

Comment: The CSR manager is in charge of monitoring follow-up.

PERFORMANCE INDICATORS	RESULT	RELEVANCE OF INDICATOR	DOCUMENTATION	SCORE	MAX	MIN
2.2 Quality of own auditing system meets FWF standards.	Member makes use of FWF audits and/or external audits only	In case FWF teams cannot be used, the member companies' own auditing system must ensure sufficient quality in order for FWF to approve the auditing system.	Information on audit methodology.	N/A	0	-1

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PERFORMANCE INDICATORS	RESULT	RELEVANCE OF INDICATOR	DOCUMENTATION	SCORE	MAX	MIN
2.3 Audit Report and Corrective Action Plan (CAP) findings are shared with factory and worker representation where applicable. Improvement timelines are established in a timely manner.	No	2 part indicator: FWF audit reports were shared and discussed with suppliers within two months of audit receipt AND a reasonable time frame was specified for resolving findings.	Corrective Action Plans, emails; findings of followup audits; brand representative present during audit exit meeting, etc.	-1	2	-1

**Comment:** The only FWF audit was conducted 3 months before the Brand Performance Check. After receiving the report, the brand still needed to discuss remediation before sharing/discussing CAP with its main supplier. Picture is in its second year of membership and thus is still working on information management regarding the COLP.

**Requirement:** Resolving and remediating non-compliances is one of the most important criteria member companies can do towards improving working conditions. FWF expects members to examine and support remediation of any problem that they encounter. Coordinated efforts between different departments are required to ensure sustained responses to CAPs.

PERFORMANCE INDICATORS	RESULT	RELEVANCE OF INDICATOR	DOCUMENTATION	SCORE	MAX	MIN
2.4 Degree of progress towards resolution of existing Corrective Action Plans and remediation of identified problems.	Basic	FWF considers efforts to resolve CAPs to be one of the most important things that member companies can do towards improving working conditions.	CAP-related documentation including status of findings, documentation of remediation and follow up actions taken by member. Reports of quality assessments. Evidence of understanding relevant issues.	4	8	-2

**Comment:** Started to look at CAP form collected audit reports or FWF audit. But as the audit was conducted 3 months before the brand performance check, the brand wants to take the time and re-explain FWF expectations and methodology to the supplier.

Picture worked on remediation of a finding from a Sedex audit report, the factory shared its contract from a social insurance provider.

For the Turkish supplier; there was no major issue found in the Sedex audit report.

PERFORMANCE INDICATORS	RESULT	RELEVANCE OF INDICATOR	DOCUMENTATION	SCORE	MAX	MIN
2.5 Percentage of production volume from production locations that have been visited by the member company in the previous financial year.	100%	Formal audits should be augmented by annual visits by member company staff or local representatives. They reinforce to production location managers that member companies are serious about implementing the Code of Labour Practices.	Member companies should document all production location visits with at least the date and name of the visitor.	4	4	0

**Comment:** Picture tracks all visits of its staff to factories with which they have a direct relationship (covering 91.4% of its FOB).

Their two agents are in charge of working with the other factories.

Most factories are visited twice a year, once for each new collection development.

PERFORMANCE INDICATORS	RESULT	RELEVANCE OF INDICATOR	DOCUMENTATION	SCORE	MAX	MIN
2.6 Existing audit reports from other sources are collected.	Yes and quality assessed	Existing reports form a basis for understanding the issues and strengths of a supplier, and reduces duplicative work.	Audit reports are on file; evidence of followup on prior CAPs. Reports of quality assessments.	2	3	0

PERFORMANCE INDICATORS	RESULT	RELEVANCE OF INDICATOR	DOCUMENTATION	SCORE	MAX	MIN
2.7 Compliance with FWF risk policies.	Average score depending on the number of applicable policies and results	Aside from regular monitoring and remediation requirements under FWF membership, countries, specific areas within countries or specific product groups may pose specific risks that require additional steps to address and remediate those risks. FWF requires member companies to be aware of those risks and implement policy requirements as prescribed by FWF.	Policy documents, inspection reports, evidence of cooperation with other customers sourcing at the same factories, reports of meetings with suppliers, reports of additional activities and/or attendance lists as mentioned in policy documents.	3	6	-2
Compliance with FWF enhanced monitoring programme Bangladesh	Policies are not relevant to the company's supply chain			N/A	6	-2
Compliance with FWF Myanmar policy	Policies are not relevant to the company's supply chain			N/A	6	-2
Compliance with FWF guidance on abrasive blasting	Intermediate			3	6	-2
Compliance with FWF guidance on risks related to Turkish garment factories employing Syrian refugees	Intermediate			3	6	-2
Other risks specific to the member's supply chain are addressed by its monitoring system	Intermediate			3	6	-2

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**Comment:** Picture created and shared their policy on Syrian refugees employement with the Turkish supplier. Then the supplier shared theirs, stating that they don't want to hire Syrian refugees. Seyfeli also shared the policy of Picture with its two subcontractors.

The factory justifies also this policy because they want experienced Turkish workers from Izmir for product quality.

**Requirement:** Picture needs to look at specific risks in other production countries, in particular in China where it sources most of its products.

**Recommendation**: Picture should make sure the policy form its Turkish supplier does not imply discrimination practices.

PERFORMANCE INDICATORS	RESULT	RELEVANCE OF INDICATOR	DOCUMENTATION	SCORE	MAX	MIN
2.8 Member company cooperates with other FWF member companies in resolving corrective actions at shared suppliers.	No CAPs active, no shared production locations or refusal of other company to cooperate	Cooperation between customers increases leverage and chances of successful outcomes. Cooperation also reduces the chances of a factory having to conduct multiple Corrective Action Plans about the same issue with multiple customers.	Shared CAPs, evidence of cooperation with other customers.	N/A	2	-1

PERFORMANCE INDICATORS	RESULT	RELEVANCE OF INDICATOR	DOCUMENTATION	SCORE	MAX	MIN
2.9 Percentage of production volume where monitoring requirements for low-risk countries are fulfilled.	50-100%	Low-risk countries are determined by the presence and proper functioning of institutions which can guarantee compliance with national and international standards and laws. FWF has defined minimum monitoring requirements for production locations in low- risk countries.	Documentation of visits, notification of suppliers of FWF membership; posting of worker information sheets, completed questionnaires.	2	3	0

Comment: All low risk locations are visited regularly either by Picture staff or their agents.

PERFORMANCE INDICATORS	RESULT	RELEVANCE OF INDICATOR	DOCUMENTATION	SCORE	MAX	MIN
2.10 Extra bonus indicator: in case FWF member company conducts full audits at tail- end production locations (when the minimum required monitoring threshold is met).	No	FWF encourages its members to monitor 100% of its production locations and rewards those members who conduct full audits above the minimum required monitoring threshold.	Production location information as provided to FWF and recent Audit Reports.	N/A	2	0

PERFORMANCE INDICATORS	RESULT	RELEVANCE OF INDICATOR	DOCUMENTATION	SCORE	MAX	MIN
2.11 Questionnaire is sent and information is collected from external brands resold by the member company.	No external brands resold	FWF believes it is important for affiliates that have a retail/wholesale arm to at least know if the brands they resell are members of FWF or a similar organisation, and in which countries those brands produce goods.	Questionnaires are on file.	N/A	2	0

PERFORMANCE INDICATORS	RESULT	RELEVANCE OF INDICATOR	DOCUMENTATION	SCORE	MAX	MIN
2.12 External brands resold by member companies that are members of another credible initiative (% of external sales volume).	No external brands resold	FWF believes members who resell products should be rewarded for choosing to sell external brands who also take their supply chain responsibilities seriously and are open about in which countries they produce goods.	External production data in FWF's information management system. Documentation of sales volumes of products made by FWF or FLA members.	N/A	3	0

PERFORMANCE INDICATORS	RESULT	RELEVANCE OF INDICATOR	DOCUMENTATION	SCORE	MAX	MIN
2.13 Questionnaire is sent and information is collected from licensees.	No licensees	FWF believes it is important for member companies to know if the licensee is committed to the implementation of the same labour standards and has a monitoring system in place.	Questionnaires are on file. Contracts with licensees.	N/A	1	0



# MONITORING AND REMEDIATION

Possible Points: 28 Earned Points: 16

## 3. COMPLAINTS HANDLING

BASIC MEASUREMENTS	RESULT	COMMENTS
Number of worker complaints received since last check	0	At this point, FWF considers a high number of complaints as a positive indicator, as it shows that workers are aware of and making use of the complaints system.
Number of worker complaints in process of being resolved	0	
Number of worker complaints resolved since last check	0	

PERFORMANCE INDICATORS	RESULT	RELEVANCE OF INDICATOR	DOCUMENTATION	SCORE	MAX	MIN
3.1 A specific employee has been designated to address worker complaints	Yes	Followup is a serious part of FWF membership, and cannot be successfully managed on an ad-hoc basis.	Manuals, emails, etc., demonstrating who the designated staff person is.	1	1	-1

PERFORMANCE INDICATORS	RESULT	RELEVANCE OF INDICATOR	DOCUMENTATION	SCORE	MAX	MIN
3.2 Member company has informed factory management and workers about the FWF CoLP and complaints hotline.	No	Informing both management and workers about the FWF Code of Labour Practices and complaints hotline is a first step in alerting workers to their rights. The Worker Information Sheet is a tool to do this and should be visibly posted at all production locations.	Photos by company staff, audit reports, checklists from production location visits, etc.	-2	2	-2

**Comment:** The CoLP poster is missing in a production location where the member has no direct relationship. It is a supplier making bags for co-branded products. Thus Picture didn't know what were the requirements for such a supplier.

**Requirement:** The member must ensure that the Worker Information Sheet, including contact information of the local complaints handler of FWF, is posted in factories in a location that is accessible to all workers. Member company should check by means of a visit whether the Worker Information Sheet is posted in the factories.

PERFORMANCE INDICATORS	RESULT	RELEVANCE OF INDICATOR	DOCUMENTATION	SCORE	MAX	MIN
3.3 Degree to which member company has actively raised awareness of the FWF CoLP and complaints hotline.	0%	After informing workers and management of the FWF CoLP and the complaints hotline, additional awareness raising and training is needed to ensure sustainable improvements and structural worker-management dialogue.	Training reports, FWF's data on factories enrolled in the WEP basic module. For alternative training activities: curriculum, training content, participation and outcomes.	0	6	0

**Requirement:** FWF requires members to actively raise awareness about the FWF Code of Labour Practices and FWF complaint hotline. The member should ensure good quality systematic training of workers and management on these topics. To this end members can either use FWF's Workplace Education Programme (WEP) basic module, or implement training related to the FWF CoLP and complaint hotline through service providers or brand staff. FWF's guidance on training quality standards is available on the Member Hub.

PERFORMANCE INDICATORS	RESULT	RELEVANCE OF INDICATOR	DOCUMENTATION	SCORE	MAX	MIN
3.4 All complaints received from production location workers are addressed in accordance with the FWF Complaints Procedure	No complaints received	Providing access to remedy when problems arise is a key element of responsible supply chain management. Member company involvement is often essential to resolving issues.	Documentation that member company has completed all required steps in the complaints handling process.	N/A	6	-2



PERFORMANCE INDICATORS	RESULT	RELEVANCE OF INDICATOR	DOCUMENTATION	SCORE	MAX	MIN
3.5 Cooperation with other customers in addressing worker complaints at shared suppliers	No complaints or cooperation not possible / necessary	Because most production locations supply several customers with products, involvement of other customers by the FWF member company can be critical in resolving a complaint at a supplier.	Documentation of joint efforts, e.g. emails, sharing of complaint data, etc.	N/A	2	0

# COMPLAINTS HANDLING

Possible Points: 9

Earned Points: -1



# 4. TRAINING AND CAPACITY BUILDING

PERFORMANCE INDICATORS	RESULT	RELEVANCE OF INDICATOR	DOCUMENTATION	SCORE	MAX	MIN
4.1 All staff at member company are made aware of FWF membership.	Yes	Preventing and remediating problems often requires the involvement of many different departments; making all staff aware of FWF membership requirements helps to support cross-departmental collaboration when needed.	Emails, trainings, presentation, newsletters, etc.	1	1	0

**Comment:** The CSR manager trains Picture's staff and the salespeople and agents on the CSR policy of the company, with one part on FWF and Fashion revolution.

(Two sales meetings per year and one general staff meeting each year)

PERFORMANCE INDICATORS	RESULT	RELEVANCE OF INDICATOR	DOCUMENTATION	SCORE	MAX	MIN
4.2 All staff in direct contact with suppliers are informed of FWF requirements.	Yes	Sourcing, purchasing and CSR staff at a minimum should possess the knowledge necessary to implement FWF requirements and advocate for change within their organisations.	FWF Seminars or equivalent trainings provided; presentations, curricula, etc.	2	2	-1

**Comment:** Relevant due diligence documents, country studies, policies and FWF Worker information sheets in different languages are shared by Dropbox among :

- Agent for smaller suppliers (16% FOB)
- Bigger suppliers (Lilian, Seyfeli)
- Production planner
- CSR Manager
- Sourcing Director

Twice a year the CSR manager meets with relevant colleagues and agents to explain all the documents they can access online and what they should be used for.

PERFORMANCE INDICATORS	RESULT	RELEVANCE OF INDICATOR	DOCUMENTATION	SCORE	MAX	MIN
4.3 All sourcing contractors/agents are informed about FWF's Code of Labour Practices.	Yes	Agents have the potential to either support or disrupt CoLP implementation. It is the responsibility of member company to ensure agents actively support the implementation of the CoLP.	Correspondence with agents, trainings for agents, FWF audit findings.	1	2	0

**Comment:** Picture works with two agents. One of them is an agency they work with since the business was launched and has an office in the same building as Picture; in Annecy. This agent is in charge of relationships with the Chinese and Lithuanian suppliers.

Another agent is the main contact point with smaller suppliers (tail end). This agent is currently connecting Picture's CSR manager and CSR contact points of those suppliers. He is trained and regularly meets Picture's CSR manager.

PERFORMANCE INDICATORS	RESULT	RELEVANCE OF INDICATOR	DOCUMENTATION	SCORE	MAX	MIN
4.4 Factory participation in training programmes that support transformative processes related to human rights.	0%	Complex human rights issues such as freedom of association or gender-based violence require more in-depth trainings that support factory-level transformative processes. FWF has developed several modules, however, other (member-led) programmes may also count.	Training reports, FWF's data on factories enrolled in training programmes. For alternative training activities: curriculum, training content, participation and outcomes.	0	6	0

**Recommendation**: FWF recommends members to implement training programmes that support factory-level transformation such as establishing functional internal grievance mechanisms, improving workermanagement dialogue and communication skills or addressing gender-based violence. Training assessed under this indicator should go beyond raising awareness and focus on behavioural change and long-term structures to improve working conditions. To this end, members can make use of FWF's Workplace Education Programme communication or violence prevention module or implement advanced training through service providers or brand staff. FWF guidance on good quality training is available on the Member Hub.

PERFORMANCE INDICATORS	RESULT	RELEVANCE OF INDICATOR	DOCUMENTATION	SCORE	MAX	MIN
4.5 Degree to which member company follows up after a training programme.	No training programmes have been conducted or member produces solely in low- risk countries	After factory-level training programmes, complementary activities such as remediation and changes on brand level will achieve a lasting impact.	Documentation of discussions with factory management and worker representatives, minutes of regular worker-management dialogue meetings or anti-harassment committees.	N/A	2	0

# TRAINING AND CAPACITY BUILDING

Possible Points: 11 Earned Points: 4



# 5. INFORMATION MANAGEMENT

PERFORMANCE INDICATORS	RESULT	RELEVANCE OF INDICATOR	DOCUMENTATION	SCORE	MAX	MIN
5.1 Level of effort to identify all production locations	Intermediate	Any improvements to supply chains require member companies to first know all of their production locations.	Supplier information provided by member company. Financial records of previous financial year. Documented efforts by member company to update supplier information from its monitoring activities.	3	6	-2

**Comment:** Picture is still gathering information about subcontractors by working in close collaboration with the agent in charge of "tail end" factories.

**Recommendation**: FWF members are advised to develop a systematic approach to complete the production location list. Part of the approach can be:

- 1. Automatically include information from the questionnaire, audit reports and complaints
- 2. Business relationships with agents include transparency of production locations.
- 3. Agreements with factories on the use of subcontractors stating clearly that when subcontractors are used,

they are included in the monitoring system and information is shared on the subcontracted production process.

PERFORMANCE INDICATORS	RESULT	RELEVANCE OF INDICATOR	DOCUMENTATION	SCORE	MAX	MIN
5.2 CSR and other relevant staff actively share information with each other about working conditions at production locations.	Yes	CSR, purchasing and other staff who interact with suppliers need to be able to share information in order to establish a coherent and effective strategy for improvements.	Internal information system; status CAPs, reports of meetings of purchasing/CSR; systematic way of storing information.	1	1	-1



**Comment:** Sourcing colleagues and agents work together with the CSR manager - who provides them with guidance.

The Basic Health and Safety check is pre-filled in by CSR manager and then shared with colleagues who will go visit factories - this is still work in progress.

**Recommendation:** For future CAP follow-up, FWF advises Picture to establish a clear communication system between factories, agents, sourcing Director and the CSR manager.

#### INFORMATION MANAGEMENT

Possible Points: 7

Earned Points: 4

# 6. TRANSPARENCY

PERFORMANCE INDICATORS	RESULT	RELEVANCE OF INDICATOR	DOCUMENTATION	SCORE	MAX	MIN
6.1 Degree of member company compliance with FWF Communications Policy.	Minimum communications requirements are met AND no significant problems found	FWF's communications policy exists to ensure transparency for consumers and stakeholders, and to ensure that member communications about FWF are accurate. Members will be held accountable for their own communications as well as the communications behaviour of 3rd-party retailers, resellers and customers.	FWF membership is communicated on member's website; other communications in line with FWF communications policy.	2	2	-3

Comment: Requirements are met on Picture's new website.

PERFORMANCE INDICATORS	RESULT	RELEVANCE OF INDICATOR	DOCUMENTATION	SCORE	MAX	MIN
6.2 Member company engages in advanced reporting activities	Supplier list is disclosed to the public.	Good reporting by members helps to ensure the transparency of FWF's work and shares best practices with the industry.	Member company publishes one or more of the following on their website: Brand Performance Check, Audit Reports, Supplier List.	2	2	0

**Comment:** All suppliers are listed and mapped on Picture's website, by product category, subcontractors are also mentioned. Picture's Brand performance check report is also published.

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PERFORMANCE INDICATORS	RESULT	RELEVANCE OF INDICATOR	DOCUMENTATION	SCORE	MAX	MIN
6.3 Social Report is submitted to FWF and is published on member company's website	Complete and accurate report submitted to FWF AND published on member's website.	The social report is an important tool for members to transparently share their efforts with stakeholders. Member companies should not make any claims in their social report that do not correspond with FWF's communication policy.	Social report that is in line with FWF's communication policy.	2	2	-1

**Comment:** The former social report was published on Picture old website, at the time of the check the Social report was not finalised, as the deadline for Picture is the end of July.

#### TRANSPARENCY

Possible Points: 6 Earned Points: 6



# 7. EVALUATION

PERFORMANCE INDICATORS	RESULT	RELEVANCE OF INDICATOR	DOCUMENTATION	SCORE	MAX	MIN
7.1 Systemic annual evaluation of FWF membership is conducted with involvement of top management	Yes	An annual evaluation involving top management ensures that FWF policies are integrated into the structure of the company.	Meeting minutes, verbal reporting, Powerpoints, etc.	2	2	0

**Comment:** The CSR manager is involved in all strategical decisions of the company for the last 2 years.

The co-founder, who is the sourcing director, is in direct contact with the main factories and their staff during product development phases.

PERFORMANCE INDICATORS	RESULT	RELEVANCE OF INDICATOR	DOCUMENTATION	SCORE	MAX	MIN
7.2 Level of action/progress made on required changes from previous Brand Performance Check implemented by member company.	60%	In each Brand Performance Check report, FWF may include requirements for changes to management practices. Progress on achieving these requirements is an important part of FWF membership and its process approach.	Member company should show documentation related to the specific requirements made in the previous Brand Performance Check.	4	4	-2

**Comment:** Picture still needs to show progress on indicators 1.5, 1.8 and 5.1. For 2.7 there was progress regarding Turkey but there is need to study China-specific risks



# EVALUATION

Possible Points: 6

Earned Points: 6



# **RECOMMENDATIONS TO FWF**

Picture would appreciate seeing case studies on remediation of issues such as overtime, and how long such issues need to be resolved.

The member would also like to see FWF brands compared with other players in the industry, including big international sports brands.

Picture believes the membership fee should include the costs to attend the Annual Conference.

# SCORING OVERVIEW

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CATEGORY	EARNED	POSSIBLE	
Purchasing Practices	16	45	
Monitoring and Remediation	16	28	
Complaints Handling	-1	9	
Training and Capacity Building	4	11	
Information Management	4	7	
Transparency	6	6	
Evaluation	6	6	
Totals:	51	112	
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BENCHMARKING SCORE (EARNED POINTS DIVIDED BY POSSIBLE POINTS)

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PERFORMANCE BENCHMARKING CATEGORY

Good



#### BRAND PERFORMANCE CHECK DETAILS

#### Date of Brand Performance Check:

09-07-2019

#### Conducted by:

Florence Bacin

#### Interviews with:

Florian Palluel - CSR manager Julien Durant - Picture Co-founder, and sourcing manager Emilie Valade - Product manager Yannick Begue - Product development manager, production planning manager Adeline Leservoisier - Demand and Supply Planner