



# Environmental Product Declaration

# ISKO™

*For 26620 REC Preliminary denim fabric in accordance with ISO 14025*

## Programme

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ENVIRONMENTAL PRODUCT DECLARATIONS

This EPD covers the following product group: ISKO 26620 REC Preliminary in accordance with ISO 14025.

**UN CPC CODE:** 26620, Woven fabrics of cotton, containing 85% or more by weight of cotton, weighing more than 200 g/m<sup>2</sup>

**Owner of the Declaration:** ISKO™

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Product Category Rules (PCR)	Woven Knitted and Crocheted Fabrics of Natural Fibres (Except Silk), for Apparel Sector 2018:08, version 1.02 UN CPC 265 (except 2651), UN CPC 266, UN CPC 281
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Data Follow Up	Procedure for follow-up of data during EPD validity involves third party verifier: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
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OUR DENIM

“Denim fabrics look at people, and we explore our denim world through their lifestyles.”



ISKO™, the leading ingredient brand on a global level, is the first denim producer in the world to be recognized with the Nordic Swan and EU Ecolabel certifications. It has a production capacity of 300 million meters of fabric per year, with 2000 state-of-the-art automatic looms. It creates the soul of jeans, the essence of the most popular fashion style that has become universal. ISKO™'s vision is as international as the love for denim. It can adapt to different contexts and markets, becoming a point of reference for the most famous designers and inspiring new fashion trends.

INNOVATION since 1904

With a global presence and offices in 35 countries, ISKO™ is part of SANKO TEKSTİL, the textile division of SANKO Group.

ISKO™'s route to textiles began in 1904 and in 1989 we opened our 300,000 m<sup>2</sup> manufacturing plant, making ISKO™ the world's largest denim manufacturer under one roof.

ISKO Philosophy



PERFORMANCE

ISKO™ is the denim specialist, all fabrics are characterized by an advanced technology and the deeply-rooted care for quality, during all the integrated production from yarn to finishing processes.



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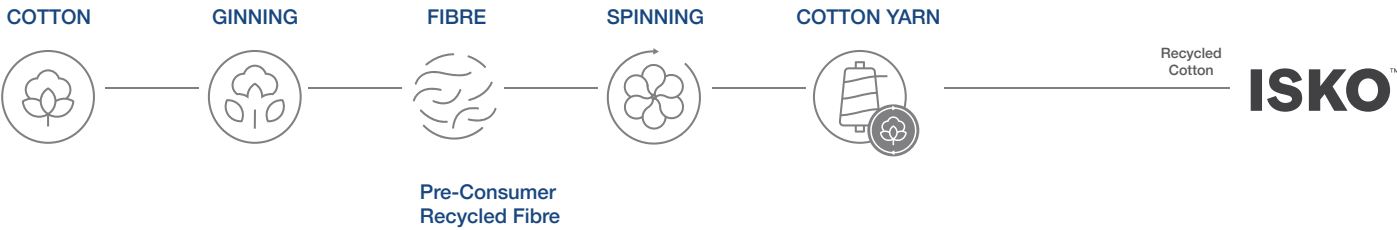
ISKO™'s mission is to always keep in touch with the latest trends and also to anticipate times. ISKO™'s research center is certified by the Turkish government and it consists of more than 25 textile engineers, specialists in creating new denim products.



SUSTAINABLE

Sustainability at ISKO™ we rethink our sourcing strategies and refuse to source more material than we need. Our waste management innovations reduce the environmental performance impact from yarn to fabric production, by using reused and recycled materials.

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GLOBAL RECYCLED STANDARD (GRS)

The GRS is a holistic certification that verifies recycled input material, tracks it from input to the final product, and ensures responsible social, environmental practices and chemical use through production. The desired effect of the GRS is to provide brands with a tool for more accurate labelling, to encourage innovation in the use of reclaimed materials, to establish more transparency in the supply chain, and to provide better information to consumers.



RECYCLED CLAIM STANDARD (RCS)

The RCS is a chain of custody standard that verifies recycled input material that tracks recycled raw materials through the supply chain from input to the final product. The standard was developed through work by the Materials Traceability Working Group, part of Outdoor Industry Association's (OIA) Sustainability Working Group. The RCS uses the chain of custody requirements of the Content Claim Standard (CCS).






### 26620 REC Preliminary

ISKO™ denim is the primary ingredient of jeans. The company offers a product range going from stretched fabrics to authentic denim constructions, but all with advanced technical features. In our top-notch denim mill, ISKO™ develops unique textile concepts applying scientific expertise and research to deliver high-performance denim fabrics.

ISKO™'s premium technology guarantees day long comfort and freedom of movement, extreme softness to the feel and touch, all thanks to a range of ISKO™ patents ensuring the highest quality standards and a close attention to responsible innovation.



Technical Specification\*

Physical Parameter Evaluated	Test Method	Feature	Unit	Actual Value
Tensile Strength	ASTM 5034	Wrap	kg	-10.9
		Weft	kg	13.2
Tear Strength	ASTM 1424	Wrap	g	108.3
		Weft	g	45.4
CF to Crocking	BS EN ISO 105: X12	Dry	Rating	6107
		Wet	Rating	3910
pH	ISO 3071	-	-	3.5
Stiffness	ASTM 4032	-	kg	1
Elongation	ASTM 3107	-	-	6.7
Pilling Resistance	ISO 12945-2	-	Rating	0.8
CF to Water	BS EN ISO 105 : E01	Cotton	Rating	8

\*The functional unit does not take into account all technical, functional and aesthetic properties of the product. For comparability of products based on the same PCR, these aspects shall also be considered. Thermal insulation properties are not relevant to disclose and weigh per unit is a confidential business information.

Additional Environmental Information

Certifications & Partnerships







ISO  
9001:2015

ISO  
14001:2015

ISO  
27001:2013

ISO  
50001

OHSAS  
18001:2014

Chemicals used in ISKO™ manufacturing comply with the Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006 of the European parliament and of the council of 18 December 2006 concerning the Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation and Restriction of Chemicals (REACH).

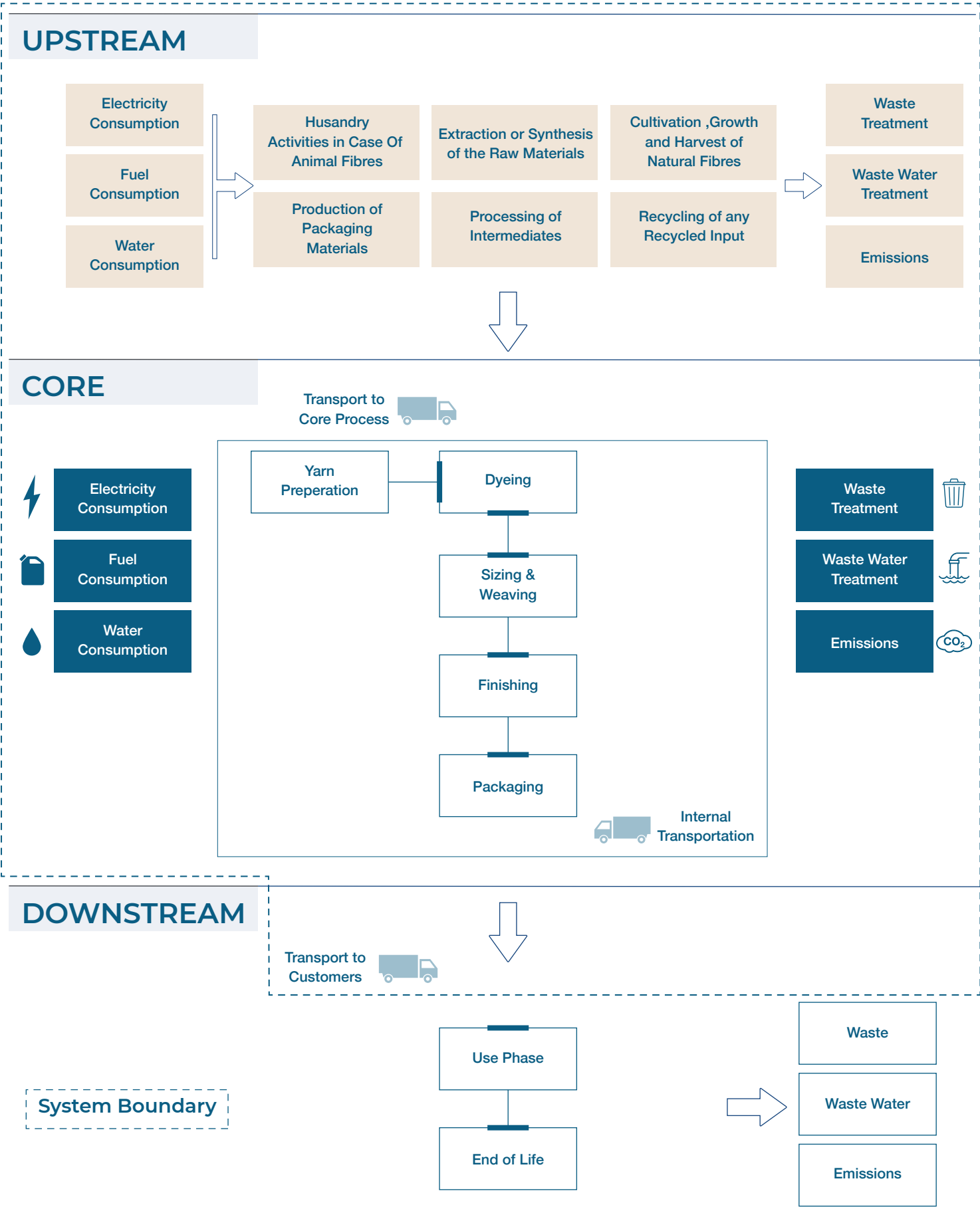


Content Declaration

Materials	Amount
Cotton Fibre	> 85%
Man-Made Fibres	< 15%
Chemicals	Amount
Sodium Hydroxide	20-40%
Reducing agent	< 10%
Sizing Chemical	< 10%
Other Organic Chemicals	15-25%
Other Inorganic Chemicals	< 10%

Packaging: PE packaging film is used to cover the end products. Classified as Distribution Packaging: designed for the purposes of transport, handling and/or distribution.





The International EPD® System has adopted an LCA calculations procedure, which is separated into three different life cycle stages:

- **Upstream module (from cradle-to-gate):** Harvesting of cotton, extraction man-made fibres, processing into warp and weft yarns, extraction and production of the chemicals.
- **Core module, manufacturing processes (from gate-to-gate):** Transportation of raw materials to the core, manufacturing processes, impacts generated by fuel burned, impacts due to the electricity production and transport with in the production plant.
- **Downstream module (from gate-to-customer):**Transportation from preparation to an average retailer (distribution). Use phase and end of life phase are excluded from the system boundary. Due to the aim of the EPD is to be used as B2B communication, apparel production (cutting, sewing), use phase (wearing, washing, drying) and end-of-life phases are not evaluated in this LCA study.

Geographical scope of the EPD	Worldwide
Functional Unit	1 square meter of denim fabric
EPD Type (System Boundary)	Cradle-to-Customer
Data Collection	Specific data (primary data) was used for the Core Module and gathered from the ISKO™ Manufacturing Plant. The manufacturing data are monitored and recorded in ISKO™ data collection system specifically per unit of product. Data represents the period from 1st January 2019 to 31th August 2019. For upstream module, selected generic data (secondary data) was applied and was obtained from Ecoinvent v3.5. All databased are in line with ISO 14044 data quality requirements. LCA was modelled in SimaPro v9.0.0.31.
Allocation	No allocation condu cted for input materials and energy consumption was collected specifically per functional unit.
Calculation Methods	All resource use values are calculated from Cumulative Energy Demand V1.11; net use of fresh water has been calculated from SimaPro Inventory result outputs. Potential environmental impacts are calculated with the CML-IA baseline V 3.05; ReCiPe 2016 Midpoint (H) v 1.02; Formation potential of tropospheric ozone (POCP) from LOTOS-EUROS as applied in ReCiPe Midpoint (H) v 1.13, 2008; IPCC 2013 GWP 100a V1.03 and USEtox 2 (recommended + interim) v.1.0 methods in SimaPro software.
Cut-off Rules	Cut-off rule of 1% regarding waste and wastewater treatment was applied. Regarding to material and chemical inputs, no cut-off rule has been applied.

Resource Use for 1 sqm of 26620 REC Preliminary

RESOURCE USE						
Parameter		Unit	Upstream	Core	Downstream	Total
Primary Energy Resources Renewable	Use as energy carrier	MJ, net calorific value	14.336	0.969	0.001	15.31
	Use as raw materials	MJ, net calorific value	0	0	0	0
	TOTAL	MJ, net calorific value	14.336	0.969	0.001	15.31
Primary Energy Resources Nonrenewable	Use as energy carrier	MJ, net calorific value	25.7	25.9	0.142	51.7
	Use as raw materials	MJ, net calorific value	0	0	0	0
	TOTAL	MJ, net calorific value	25.68	25.9	0.142	51.7
Secondary Material		kg	0.113	0	0	0.113
Renewable Secondary Fuels		MJ, net calorific value	0	0	0	0
Nonrenewable Secondary Fuels		MJ, net calorific value	0	0	0	0
Net use of Fresh Water		m³	0.604	0.031	2.45E-05	0.635

Output Flows for 1 sqm of 26620 REC Preliminary

OUTPUT FLOWS						
Parameter		Unit	Upstream Raw Materials	Core Manufacturing	Downstream Distribution	Total
Components For Reuse		kg	-	0	-	0
Material For Recycling		kg	-	0.008	-	0.008
Materials For Energy Recovery		kg	-	0	-	0
Exported Energy   Electricity		MJ	-	0	-	0
Exported Energy   Thermal		MJ	-	0	-	0

Potential Environmental Impacts for 1 sqm of 26620 REC Preliminary

Environmental Impacts						
Parameter		Unit	Upstream Raw Materials	Core Manufacturing	Downstream Distribution	Total
Global Warming Potential (GWP100a)	Fossil	kg CO <sub>2</sub> eq	1.765	1.76	1.76	3.54
	Biogenic	kg CO <sub>2</sub> eq	0.231	0.038	0.000	0.269
	Land Use and Land Transformation	kg CO <sub>2</sub> eq	6.96E-03	1.96E-03	2.78E-06	8.93E-03
	TOTAL	kg CO <sub>2</sub> eq	2.003	1.80	0.009	3.81
Acidification Potential		kg SO <sub>2</sub> eq	0.012	0.006	2.11E-05	0.018
Eutrophication Potential		kg PO <sub>4</sub> <sup>3-</sup> eq	0.012	0.002	4.60E-06	0.008
Formation Potential of Tropospheric Ozone		kg NMVOC eq	0.006	0.003	2.04E-05	0.010
Abiotic Depletion Potential-Elements		kg Sb eq	6.60E-06	3.82E-07	2.47E-08	7.00E-06
Abiotic Depletion Potential-Fossil Fuels		MJ	21.82	23.01	0.132	45.0
Water Scarcity Potential		m³	0.419	0.023	1.23E-05	0.442
Carbon Uptake		kg CO <sub>2</sub> eq	1.306	0.032	3.89E-05	1.337
Freshwater ecotoxicity		PAF.m³.day	1.03E-07	4.28E-08	2.48E-10	1.46E-07
Human Toxicity, Cancer		cases	13402	4566	14.7	17982
Human Toxicity, Non-Cancer		cases	4.76E-07	1.33E-07	1.23E-09	6.10E-07
Land Use		m²a crop eq	2.535	0.017	3.68E-04	2.552
Ozone Layer Depletion		kg CFC-11 eq	2.38E-07	1.71E-07	1.60E-09	4.10E-07

Waste Production for 1 sqm of 26620 REC Preliminary

Waste Production					
Parameter	Unit	Upstream	Core	Downstream	Total
Hazardous Waste	kg	-	2.26E-04	-	2.26E-04
Non-hazardous Waste	kg	-	1.67E-03	-	1.67E-03
Radioactive Waste	kg	-	0.00	-	0.00

**ISO 14040: 2006** Environmental management | Life cycle assessment | Principles and framework  
**ISO 14044: 2006** Environmental management | Life cycle assessment | Requirements and guidelines  
**ISO 14025: 2006** Environmental labels and declarations | Type III environmental declarations | Principles and procedures

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The International EPD® System | The General Programme Instructions  
<http://www.environdec.com/tr/The-International-EPD-System/General-Programme-Instructions/>

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**Ecoinvent 3.5 database** | <http://www.ecoinvent.org>

**SimaPro LCA Software** | <https://simapro.com>

**ISKO™** | <http://www.isko.com.tr>

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