

Underwear Certification & Compliance Summary

What each certificate covers, who holds it, and how to verify it

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Scope statement. Xiamen Unitex Trade Co., Ltd. is an OEM & ODM underwear sourcing and supply-chain management company. We are not a factory owner: production runs through long-term partner factories in Fujian Province, China. Certification therefore attaches to *those production sites and the materials used* — this document describes exactly what is held where, so your compliance team can verify it.

1. Certificates in scope

Standard	What it actually covers	Held by	Typical validity	How to verify
OEKO-TEX Standard 100	Substances in the finished textile: pH, formaldehyde, azo dyes, heavy metals, pesticide residues. Product-class based (Class II for articles worn next to skin).	The mills/finishing sites supplying fabric for your order	Issued annually; must be renewed	Certificate number searchable in the OEKO-TEX Buying Guide; confirm the certificate's product class and the site that produced the fabric
BSCI (amfori)	Social compliance audit of the production site: working hours, wages, safety, freedom of association, no child/forced labour.	The partner factory that sews your order	1–2 year audit cycle depending on grade	amfori sustainability platform (buyers can request access) or a copy of the audit report with the site's legal name and audit ID
Sedex / SMETA	Ethical trade audit covering labour standards, health & safety, environment and business ethics; also gives supply-chain transparency data.	Partner factories on request	Audit report dated; typically refreshed every 1–2 years	Sedex membership number + report reference; reports shared on request under NDA where required
Fibre & product testing	Composition, dimensional stability, colourfastness, pilling, and market-specific rules (e.g. US flammability for sleepwear, CPSIA for childrenswear).	Third-party labs per order	Per order / per style	Test report numbers on the lab's own portal

2. What we do *not* claim

- We do not hold a factory certificate in our own company name — certificates sit with the production sites and mills.
- We do not market SA8000, WRAP, GOTS or licensed-character authorisations unless a specific programme requires and holds them.
- We do not use one customer's audit result as evidence for another programme: audit scope is site-specific and time-limited.

3. Compliance pack for a new order

Document	When it is issued	Purpose
OEKO-TEX certificate copy (fabric)	With quotation / at order confirmation	Demonstrates material safety for the fabric actually used
BSCI or SMETA audit report	On request, before order	Social compliance evidence for the sewing site
Lab test reports (composition, colourfastness, dimensional stability)	Before shipment	Backs up the fibre-content declaration on your label
AQL 2.5 pre-shipment inspection report	Before shipment	Confirms quantity, workmanship and measurements
Packing list & shipping documents	At shipment	Customs clearance and retail DC booking

4. Market-specific notes

Market	What usually applies to underwear
EU / UK	Textile fibre labelling (EU 1007/2011); REACH restricted substances; GPSR contact details on the product or packaging; EU Packaging and Packaging Waste Regulation (PPWR) obligations phasing in from 2026; Digital Product Passport (DPP) for textiles expected to apply from the late-2020s — see our separate DPP checklist.
US	Textile Fiber Products Identification Act labelling; FTC care labelling; CPSIA and flammability rules for childrenswear and sleepwear.
Both	Buyer-specific supplier codes of conduct, which are usually stricter than the law and audited separately.

Verification in five minutes. (1) Ask for the certificate PDF and read the site name — it must match the site that will actually produce your order. (2) Check the product class (Class II for next-to-skin). (3) Check the issue date and validity. (4) Search the certificate number on the issuing body's own database. (5) If any of the four fails, ask again before you print your labels.