



GLOBAL ORGANIC TEXTILE STANDARD
ECOLOGY & SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

GOTS MEASURES RELATED TO THE ARMED CONFLICT IN UKRAINE

GOTS takes cognisance of the war in Ukraine and how it may affect people and industry in the country and its neighbourhood. We hope for normalisation of all human activities at the earliest opportunity and of lasting peace in these regions.

Because of the ongoing hostilities, GOTS will allow **an extension of 6 months of all Scope Certificates that recently expired or will expire in 2022 for arranging recertification. This extension applies only to Certified Entities in regions affected by this war.**

Such an extension shall not be considered towards extending the validity period of the new Scope Certificate, which means that renewed Scope Certificates, when issued, shall expire on the anniversary of the older certificate. Licence Fees for 2022 shall be payable by Certified Entities in all cases.

GOTS will continue to review the situation on a regular basis and provide updates or modifications to this decision as required.

In case such an extension is implemented, CBs shall notify GOTS, Prachi Gupta prachi@global-standard.org, with full details within 5 working days of the implementation.

For questions or clarifications, please contact Bukra Kalayci, kalayci@global-standard.org.

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