

# SUMMUM *woman* Animal Welfare Policy

Together with our business partners, SUMMUM WOMAN creates high quality fashion products for fashionable and strong women. We are committed to make sure that all our products are made in a way with respect for people, the environment and animals.

The SUMMUM WOMAN treats herself and everything around her with care, thus we believe that animals should be treated the same way. Therefore, we expect all our business partners that in any way take part in the production of SUMMUM WOMAN products, to respect, honour and implement our Animal Welfare Policy.

Together with our business partners, we are committed to make sure that:

1. Animals are free from hunger and thirst. This should be realized through ready access to fresh water and a diet to maintain full health and vigour.
2. Animals are free from discomfort. This should be realized through providing an appropriate environment including shelter and a comfortable resting area.
3. Animals should be free from pain, injury and disease. This should be realized through accurate prevention or rapid diagnosis and treatment.
4. Animals are enabled to express normal behaviour. This should be realized through providing sufficient space, proper facilities and company of the animal's own kind.
5. Animals should be free from fear and distress. This should be realized through ensuring conditions and treatment which avoid mental suffering.

We require only raw materials that come from animals reared for meat production and under no circumstances do we accept any material from exotic, threatened or endangered species as defined by

In no circumstance the following materials may be used in any of SUMMUM WOMAN's goods and are therefore banned:

- Fur (for which SUMMUM WOMAN has signed the Dutch has signed the [Bontvrij verklaring](#) (Fur Free Statement) from Bont voor Dieren and the Fur Free Retailer Program.
- Angora fibres
- Any type and form of exotic animal material, such as tortoiseshell, horn, bone, ivory, coral, snake, alligator, crocodile, lizard and ostrich

Should SUMMUM WOMAN ever use the following materials, they will be limited and according the restrictions mentioned hereunder:

- Down: only when not obtained from live plucking of birds. All down products must be certified according the RDS (Responsible Down Standard)
- Merionewool: only when obtained mulesing-free. No use nor practice of mulesing of merino sheep.
- Leather: only from cows, buffalo, sheep (including lammy), goats or pigs that have been bred for meat production can be accepted.



- Mother of pearl: can only be allowed when shells are not originating from endangered species

The following products from animal origin are not limited in use, assuming that the above mentioned principles are maintained

- Silk
- Wool
- Cashmere

