

GPN-GL13 Purchasing Guidelines for

Uniforms, Workwear, and Footwear

Green Purchasing Network (GPN)

1. Scope

These guidelines cover important environmental issues that shall be considered when purchasing uniforms, workwear, and/or footwear. The scope of the guidelines includes following items and excludes leather and fur products.

- Outer wear (Suits, Dresses, Jumpers, Coats, Sweaters, Shirts, Sportswear, Uniforms, Sanitary clothing, etc.)
- Intimate apparel (Underwear, Knitted underwear, etc.)
- Nightwear (Pajamas, Negligees, etc.)
- Japanese style apparel (Yukata, Haori, Juban, Obi, Hakama, etc.)
- Hosiery (Socks, Panty hose, Tights, etc.)
- Headwear
- Gloves and mittens (except rubber gloves)
- Footwear (rubber, plastic, and fabric shoes, Japanese style clogs and sandals, slippers, and sandals)

* These classification is based on “Division 78 – Apparel, Except Footwear and Apparel Accessories” and “Division 80 – Footwear” of Japan Standard Commodity Classification by Ministry of Internal Affairs and Communications.

2. Guidelines

Articles (1) through (4) are guidelines for uniforms, workwear and footwear. Articles (5) and (6) are guidelines for packing materials and repairing. When purchasing uniforms and/or workwear, article (1) should be met and articles (2)-(6) should be considered for purchasing products with as little environmental burden as possible.

- (1) Use of environmentally friendly recycled materials
- (2) Designed considering energy and resource efficiency
- (3) Designed considering long-term use
- (4) Properly recovered, and then reused or recycled as raw materials or other recycled materials
- (5) Use of environmentally friendly packing materials
- (6) The manufacturer provides full maintenance service

*These guidelines are subject to change in accordance with new findings and changes in social conditions.



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