



## CHANGE LOG: CONDITIONS FOR USE OF GOTS SIGNS V 3.1 - 18 OCT 2021

Section	Change type	Change detail	Comments
Cover page	Correction	Version and date updated.	To reflect new document version
TOC	Update	Table of Contents updated with current data.	To reflect new document version
2	Modification	Modified definition "Declaration document required to be submitted by some uncertified Retailers who wish to use the GOTS Signs (see Section 9.7) to Global Standard gGmbH."	For better clarity. Also, section number reference corrected.
3.2.1	Correction	Changed "it" to "in", second line, first paragraph.	Corrected language
4.2.2	Modification	Clarified that Certification Body Annual Fee is not " <i>to be collected by the Approved Certifier</i> ".	CB annual fee is not collected by CBs but paid to GOTS by them.
6.3	Correction	Term "Retailer" has been removed from the section.	Term caused confusion when being read, so removed to ensure there is no misinterpretation of requirements
6.3.1 (a)	Modification / Correction	"If the retailer has a B2B trade activity (e.g. sale to other retailers) with an annual turnover of <i>GOTS Goods</i> > 20.000 Euro and/or (re)packs or (re)labels the <i>GOTS Goods</i> , the retailer shall be certified. In this case the conditions for the certification of traders as detailed in Section 6.1 above apply."	Subsection modified and corrected for clarity to ensure no misinterpretation or confusion.
6.3.1 (b)	Modification / Correction	If the retailer does not have a B2B trade activity with an annual turnover of <i>GOTS Goods</i> > 20.000 Euro and does not (re)pack or (re)label the <i>GOTS Goods</i> , the retailer is exempt from the certification obligation. In this case, the retailers shall ensure that the supplier of their <i>GOTS Goods</i> (i.e., a manufacturer, a B2B trader) is GOTS certified.	Subsection modified and changed for clarity to ensure no misinterpretation or confusion.
6.3.3	Section deleted	This section has been moved and is now designated as Section 9.7.	For better classification of the requirement
9.7	Modification	Section 6.3.3 was moved to Section 9.7 and reworded as "An uncertified retailer can directly request <i>GOTS Signs</i> from Global Standard gGmbH by use of the ' <i>Retailer's Declaration for Use of GOTS Signs</i> '."	Wording was changed to ensure that the requirement was correctly understood. Confusion about all uncertified retailers needing to submit the declaration has been removed. Submission is necessary only where uncertified retailers need to have official GOTS Signs for use under certain circumstances that were described in the declaration document.
15	Addition	Implementation Date Section added.	The document did not have a reference to the implementation date and has therefore been added.