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Declaration of non-use, phase-out and elimination of Per- and Polyfluorinated Compounds / PFCs

PFCs are artificial substances widely used by industry for non-stick and water-repellent properties. In the textile industry, they are used to produce textile and water repellent and stain-resistant fabrics. Tests show that many PFCs are difficult to dispose of because they persist in the environment and tend to accumulate in tissues and to increase their level through food chain contamination. Once assimilated, some PFCs may affect on the liver and, as endocrine disrupters, can alter growth and reproduction hormones levels. (for more info: <https://is.gd/VJrN0d> and <https://is.gd/kq2jgh>)

Aware of the dangers of these compounds and in line with our Detox commitment <http://www.dienpi.com/en/detox.cfm> :

DIENPI declares that in the majority of DIENPI processes and products, PFCs are not used and that there is no use of resins or other chemical formulations containing PFC from a survey conducted with suppliers.

In some cases, in the market, there are not yet PFC-free alternatives available - resins or other chemical formulations - which can guarantee the functional performance required by customers; in particular, to prevent some leather and fake skin labels from washing out or being stained in contact with water, due to the exposure to atmospheric agents or to washing. In these cases, DIENPI declares itself taking every possible effort, in collaboration with its suppliers, to eliminate or reduce the use of PFC at the lowest levels allowed by current technologies.

However, we are aware that PFCs can also be found in chemical products with properties other than stain-free and water-repellent, and that for this reason could enter unintentionally in the DIENPI processes.

That's why we will continue to monitor the absence of PFCs from our products and processes. The laboratory tests so far carried out on our products - available on our site <http://www.dienpi.com/en/detox.cfm> - confirm the absence of PFCs.

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