## Sustainable Leather Foundation

Industry Led – Consumer Focused



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Sustainable Leather Foundation's Standards are now registered on the ITC Standards Map



Following in depth review of the SLF standards and International benchmarks, guidance notes, governance systems and procedures, we are delighted to announce that we are the first leather specific, standard setting and audit

certification organisation to be published on the ITC Global Standards Map.

The Trade for Sustainable Development (T4SD) Programme at the International Trade Centre (ITC) of the United Nations is a partnership-based programme which empowers and equips micro, small and medium sized enterprises (SMEs) to improve their sustainability performance for better efficiency and international competitiveness.

Navigating the constantly moving landscape of sustainability standards can be challenging. That's why the United Nations have developed a range of tools, specifically tailored for the different actors along value chains, enabling them to make informed decisions, better understand the sustainability initiatives landscape and connect with like-minded business partners.

The Standards Map presents in-depth information on over 300 voluntary sustainability standards, applicable to sectors including agriculture, textile and garments, consumer products, forestry, mining and services. They are active in 192 countries and sorted across

1650 criteria. Find out more at www.sustainabilitygateway.org



The registration of SLF's Environmental, Social and Governance Audit Certification programme is recognised as meeting all 17 of the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and key themes covered include Human and Labour Rights, Due Diligence, Environment and Climate Change, Sustainable Business, Quality, Traceability and Credibility.

Having the governance infrastructure, systems and procedures for how the audit certificate programme is operated was a key component of the review conducted by ITC before registry on the Standards Map was approved. You can see a snapshot of the profile by clicking here:

https://sustainableleatherfoundation.com/wp-content/uploads/2024/10/Sustainable-Leather-Foundation-Profile.pdf

To visit the full profile and find out more about the Standards Map, click here: Sustainable Leather Foundation (standardsmap.org)

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