

# **BRAND PERFORMANCE CHECK**

# Tricorp BV

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this report covers the evaluation period 01-01-2014 to 31-12-2014

#### ABOUT THE BRAND PERFORMANCE CHECK

Fair Wear Foundation believes that improving conditions for apparel factory workers requires change at many levels. Traditional efforts to improve conditions focus primarily on the factory. FWF, however, believes that the management decisions of clothing brands have an enormous influence for good or ill on factory conditions.

FWF's Brand Performance Check is a tool to evaluate and report on the activities of FWF's affiliate members. The Checks examine how affiliate management systems support FWF's Code of Labour Practices. They evaluate the parts of affiliate supply chains where clothing is assembled. This is the most labour intensive part of garment supply chains, and where brands can have the most influence over working conditions.

In most apparel supply chains, clothing brands do not own factories, and most factories work for many different brands. This means that in most cases FWF affiliates have influence, but not direct control, over working conditions. As a result, the Brand Performance Checks focus primarily on verifying the efforts of affiliates. Outcomes at the factory level are assessed via audits and complaint reports, however the complexity of the supply chains means that even the best efforts of FWF affiliates cannot guarantee results.

Even if outcomes at the factory level cannot be guaranteed, the importance of good management practices by affiliates cannot be understated. Even one concerned customer at a factory can have significant positive impacts on a range of issues like health and safety conditions or freedom of association. And if one customer at a factory can demonstrate that improvements are possible, other customers no longer have an excuse not to act. The development and sharing of these types of best practices has long been a core part of FWF's work.

The Brand Performance Check system is designed to accommodate the range of structures and strengths that different companies have, and reflects the different ways that brands can support better working conditions.

This report is based on interviews with affiliate employees who play important roles in the management of supply chains, and a variety of documentation sources, financial records, supplier data. The findings from the Brand Performance Check are summarized and published at <u>www.fairwear.org</u>. The online <u>Brand Performance</u> <u>Check Guide</u> provides more information about the indicators.



# BRAND PERFORMANCE CHECK OVERVIEW

#### Tricorp BV

#### Evaluation Period: 01-01-2014 to 31-12-2014

AFFILIATE INFORMATION	
Headquarters:	Rijen, Netherlands
Member since:	01-06-2007
Product types:	Workwear
Production in countries where FWF is active:	Bangladesh, China, India, Tunisia, Turkey
Production in other countries:	Cambodia, Poland
BASIC REQUIREMENTS	
Workplan and projected production location data for upcoming year have been submitted?	Yes
Actual production location data for evaluation period was submitted?	Yes
Membership fee has been paid?	Yes
All suppliers have been notified of FWF membership?	Yes
SCORING OVERVIEW	
% of own production under monitoring	78%
Benchmarking score	54
Category	Good

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#### Summary:

In 2014, Tricorp meets most of FWFs management system requirements. For the Brand Performance Check, Tricorp has achieved a score of 54, which is sufficient for attaining the Good category. With a monitoring percentage of 78%, it falls short of the required 90% for brands who have been members longer than three years.

In comparison to last year, Tricorp has made a good effort and booked significant progress, especially when it comes to monitoring and remediation. In addition to this, Tricorp has taken steps to ensure that the monitoring threshold of 90% will be reached in the first half of 2015. For this reason, FWF exercises its discretionary power to award Tricorp with placement in the Good category.

Tricorp still has significant potential to improve in 2015. This is especially related to conducting sufficient social compliance due diligence when starting production at new production locations and knowing exactly where all production takes place, especially when working with an agent. There also needs to be continued focus on audit follow-up and remediation. Finally, Tricorp is encouraged to take further steps to mitigate risks related to Building and Fire Safety in Bangladesh, especially related to the existing Corrective Action Plans that it has in possession.

#### PERFORMANCE CATEGORY OVERVIEW

Leader: This category is for affiliates who are doing exceptionally well, and are operating at an advanced level. Leaders show best practices in complex areas such as living wages and freedom of association.

Good: It is FWF's belief that affiliates who are making a serious effort to implement the Code of Labour Practices—the vast majority of FWF affiliates—are 'doing good' and deserve to be recognized as such. They are also doing more than the average clothing company, and have allowed their internal processes to be examined and publicly reported on by an independent NGO. The majority of affiliates will receive a 'Good' rating.

Needs Improvement: Affiliates are most likely to find themselves in this category when major unexpected problems have arisen, or if they are unable or unwilling to seriously work towards CoLP implementation. Affiliates may be in this category for one year only after which they should either move up to Good, or will be moved to suspended.

Suspended: Affiliates who either fail to meet one of the Basic Requirements, have had major internal changes which means membership must be put on hold for a maximum of one year, or have been in Needs Improvement for more than one year. Affiliates may remain in this category for one year maximum, after which termination proceedings will come into force.

Categories are calculated based on a combination of benchmarking score and the percentage of own production under monitoring. The specific requirements for each category are outlined in the Brand Performance Check Guide.

#### **1. PURCHASING PRACTICES**

PERFORMANCE INDICATORS	RESULT	RELEVANCE OF INDICATOR	DOCUMENTATION	SCORE	MAX	MIN
1.1 Percentage of production volume from suppliers where affiliate buys at least 10% of production capacity	32%	Affiliates with less than 10% of a factories' production capacity generally have limited influence on factory managers to make changes.	Supplier information provided by affiliate.	2	4	0

**Recommendation**: FWF recommends Tricorp to further consolidate its supplier base where possible, and increase leverage at main supplier(s) to effectively request improvements of working conditions.

**Comment**: According to the supplier register, Tricorp sources about 32% of its production volume from factories where it buys at least 10% of production capacity.

1.2 Percentage of production volume from suppliers where a business relationship has existed for at least five years	35%	Stable business relationships support most aspects of the Code of Labour Practices, and give factories a reason to invest in improving working conditions.	Supplier information provided by affiliate.	2	4	0	
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**Recommendation:** FWF recommends the affiliate to maintain stable business relationships with suppliers. Long term relationships support most aspects of the Code of Labour Practices, and give factories a reason to invest in improving working conditions.

**Comment:** According to the supplier register, Tricorp sources about 35% of its production volume from factories where it has had a business relationship with for at least 5 years.

improvements.	1.3 All new suppliers are required to sign and return the Code of Labour Practices before first orders are placed.	No new suppliers	The CoLP is the foundation of all work between factories and brands, and the first step in developing a commitment to	Signed CoLPs are on file.	N/A	2	0
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Comment: In 2014, Tricorp did not place orders at new factories.



1.4 Company conducts human rights due diligence at all new suppliers before placing orders.	No new suppliers	Due diligence helps to identify, prevent and mitigate potential human rights problems at new suppliers.	Documentation may include pre-audits, existing audits, other types of risk	N/A	4	0
			assessments.			

**Recommendation**: A risk analysis as part of the decision-making process of selecting new suppliers is an important step to mitigate risk and prevent potential problems. FWF recommends Tricorp to assess the risks associated with operating in specific production areas. FWF advises to use information from FWF country studies and wage ladders.

**Comment:** In 2014, Tricorp did not place orders at new factories. In 2015, orders will be placed at new production locations.

1.5 Supplier compliance with Code of Labour Practices is evaluated in a systematic manner.	0	A systemic approach is required to integrate social compliance into normal business processes, and supports good decisionmaking.	Documentation of systemic approach: rating systems, checklists, databases, etc.	0	2	0
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**Requirement:** A systematic approach is required to integrate social compliance into normal business processes, and supports good decision-making. The approach needs to ensure that the affiliate consistently evaluates the entire supplier base and includes information into decision-making procedures.

**Comment:** In 2014, Tricorp did not take steps to evaluate supplier compliance with the Code of Labour Practices in a systematic manner.

1.6 The affiliate's production planning systems support reasonable working hours.	General or ad-hoc	Affiliate production planning systems can have a significant impact on the levels of	Documentation of robust planning	2	4	0
	system.	excessive overtime at factories.	systems.			

**Recommendation**: A production planning system needs to be established based on the production capacity of the factory for regular working hours and not the hours that are customary in many factories.

**Comment:** Tricorp's products are not seasonal, but demand is kept track of accurately so that new stock can be ordered before it runs out. The same quality must be maintained for a few years, so factories are more judged on the quality than delivery time.

Tricorp has a system in place that works to support reasonable working hours, and tries to be flexible with delivery times. These are set in close contact with the supplier. For some orders, it works with an agent to facilitate the production order process when there is insufficient quantity or local knowledge is necessary.

It has a computer system where the status of production orders are tracked. All producers are required to update this regularly. This system of flexible delivery times and more insight into the production flow is a first step towards supporting reasonable working hours.

In 2014, Tricorp took a number of further steps to improve its production planning system by resolving issues related to demand forecasting.

1.7 Degree to which affiliate mitigates root causes of excessive overtime.	Insufficient efforts	Some production delays are outside of the control of affiliates; however there are a number of steps that can be taken to address production delays without resorting to excessive overtime.	Documentation of root cause analysis and positive steps taken to manage production delays or improve factory processes.	0	6	0
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**Requirement**: Tricorp should investigate to what extent its current buying practices has an effect on the working hours at supplier level. A root cause analysis of excessive overtime should be done to investigate which steps can be most effective to reduce overtime.

**Comment:** Tricorp did not undertake action to address the root causes of excessive overtime found at the audited factories in 2014.

1.8 Affiliate's pricing policy allows for	Country-level	The first step towards ensuring the payment	Formal systems to	2	4	0	
payment of at least the legal minimum	policy	of minimum wages - and towards	calculate labour				
wages in production countries.		implementation of living wages - is to know	costs on per-product				
		the labour costs of garments.	or country/city level.				

**Recommendation**: At a minimum, Tricorp is recommended to investigate wages levels in production countries, among others by making use of FWFs Wage Ladder and country studies. As an advanced step, increased transparency in costing and productivity gives insight in the labour costs per product. This forms the basis for ensuring enough is paid to cover at least minimum wage and for making steps towards living wages.

**Comment:** Tricorp has a general policy to review its pricing once a year. If production costs increase, Tricorp will not pass this price increase onto the client until the following year, and reduces its margins for the time in between. Tricorp is aware that minimum wage levels have increased recently in a number of production countries and that has had an effect on the FOB prices that they are paying.

1.9 Affiliate actively responds if suppliers fail to pay legal minimum wages.	No minimum wage problems reported	If a supplier fails to pay minimum wage, FWF affiliates are expected to hold management of the supplier accountable for respecting local labour law.	Complaint reports, CAPs, additional emails, FWF audit reports or other documents that show minimum wage issue is reported/resolved.	2	2	-2
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**Comment:** Audits have not shown that wages were found to be below legal minimum wages in production countries.

1.10 Evidence of late payments to suppliers by affiliate.NoLate payments to suppliers can have a negative impact on factories and their ability to pay workers on time. Most garment workers have minimal savings, and even a brief delay in payments can cause serious problems.Based on a complaint or audit report; review0000	-1
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**Requirement:** Tricorp is expected to take an active role in discussing living wages with its suppliers. The FWF wage ladder can be used as a tool to implement living wages. Most relevant wage estimates, such as local minimum wage, Asia Floor Wage, collective bargaining wage and industry best practice wages are provided in the wage ladder. The wage ladder is included in FWF's audit reports. It demonstrates the gaps between workers' wages at a factory and living wages demanded by major stakeholders. The wage ladder can be used to document, monitor, negotiate and evaluate the improvements at its suppliers.

**Recommendation**: FWF encourages Tricorp to assess the hypothetical cost effects of increasing wages towards benchmarks that are included in the wage ladder. This starts with increased transparency in costing and productivity to give insight in the labour costs per product. To support companies in this process FWF has developed a calculation model that estimates the effect on FOB and retail prices under different pricing models.

**Comment:** In 2014, Tricorp had preliminary discussions with production locations about wage levels and living wage estimates during the follow-up of audits conducted in 2014. However, no concrete follow-up actions to move towards living wages were identified.

1.12 Affiliate sources from an FWF factory member.	YesWhen possible, FWF encourages affiliates to source from FWF factory members. On account of the small number of factories this is a 'bonus' indicator. Extra points are possible, but the indicator will not negatively affect an affiliate's score.Supplier information provided by affiliate.	1 1	0	
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Comment: Tricorp sources from a FWF factory member.



1.13 Percentage of production volume from factories owned by the affiliate.	1%	Owning a supplier increases the accountability and reduces the risk of unexpected CoLP violations. Given these advantages, this is a bonus indicator. Extra points are possible, but the indicator will not negatively affect an affiliate's score.	Supplier information provided by affiliate.	1	2	0
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# PURCHASING PRACTICES

Possible Points: 37

Earned Points: 14





#### 2. MONITORING AND REMEDIATION

BASIC MEASUREMENTS	RESULT	COMMENTS
% of own production under standard monitoring (excluding low-risk countries)	78%	
% of own production in low risk production countries where FWF's Low Risk policy has been implemented	0%	FWF low risk policy should be implemented. $0 = policy$ is not implemented correctly. N/A = no production in low risk countries.
Total of own production under monitoring	78%	Minimums: 1 year: 40%; 2 years 60%; 3 years+: 90% Measured as a percentage of turnover.

PERFORMANCE INDICATORS	RESULT	RELEVANCE OF INDICATOR	DOCUMENTATION	SCORE	MAX	MIN
2.1 Specific staff person is designated to follow up on problems identified by monitoring system	Yes	Followup is a serious part of FWF membership, and cannot be successfully managed on an ad-hoc basis.	Manuals, emails, etc., demonstrating who the designated staff person is.	2	2	-2

**Comment:** Tricorp has nominated someone within the organization to follow up on problems.

2.2 Degree of progress towards resolution of existing Corrective Action Plans	Intermediate	FWF considers efforts to resolve CAPs to be one of the most important things that	Documentation of remediation and	4	8	-2
J. J		affiliates can do towards improving working conditions.	followup actions taken by affiliate.			

**Comment:** Tricorp conducted a number of FWF audits at its factories and also gained access to a third-party audit report for a factory located in Cambodia where FWF is currently not active.

For these audits, Tricorp has also followed up on the findings contained in the Corrective Action Plans. Many audits were conducted in the second half of 2014, meaning that the opportunity to more actively follow up on some longer-term findings was limited.

During the follow-up on Corrective Action Plans, no significant progress on the more complex and difficult issues such as living wage or excessive overtime was booked.

2.3 Percentage of production volume from 48% suppliers that have been visited by the affiliate in the past financial year	Formal audits should be augmented by annual visits by affiliate staff or local representatives. They reinforce to factory managers that affiliates are serious about implementing the Code of Labour Practices.		2	4	0	
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**Recommendation**: Annual visits should be made for production sites (including subcontractors and production locations in low-risk countries). Regular visits provide the opportunities to discuss problems and corrective actions in the time period between formal audits.

Comment: Tricorp indicated that it visited about 48% of its suppliers in 2014.

2.4 Existing audit reports from other sources are collected.	Yes	Existing reports form a basis for understanding the issues and strengths of a supplier, and reduces duplicative work.	Audit reports are on file; evidence of followup on prior CAPs. Reports of quality assessments.	1	3	0
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**Recommendation**: Existing reports form a basis for understanding the issues and strengths of a supplier, and reduces double work. Existing audits can be counted towards the monitoring threshold if the quality of the report is assessed using the FWF audit quality tool and corrective actions are implemented.

**Comment:** Tricorp has collected audit reports from other sources for some of its factories.

2.5 Audit Report and Corrective Action Plan (CAP) findings are shared with factory. Improvement timelines are established in a timely manner	Yes	2 part indicator: FWF audit reports were shared and discussed with suppliers within two months of audit receipt AND a reasonable time frame was specified for resolving findings.	Corrective Action Plans, emails; findings of followup audits; brand representative present during audit exit meeting, etc.	2	2	-1
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Comment: Tricorp shared the audit findings with the factory in a timely manner.

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2.6 High risk issues specific to the affiliate's supply chain are identified and addressed by the monitoring system.	Intermediate Capacity	Different countries and products have different risks associated with them; monitoring systems should be adapated to allow appropriate human rights due diligence for the specific risks in each affiliates' supply chain.	Documentation may take many forms; additional research, specific FWF project participation; extra monitoring activities, extra mitigation activities, etc.	3	6	0
Recommendation: Knowing the country specific suppliers. Affiliates can agree on additional cor provide additional measures for support and int Comment: In 2014, Tricorp made progress on m completing a number of audits and WEP training factories in the Building and Fire Safety training	nmitments that egrate that in th onitoring and ac g sessions and	are required to mitigate risks. The affiliate can ne monitoring system. Idressing high risk issues. It did this by by enrolling the managers of its Bangladeshi				
2.6a High risk issues specific to Bangladesh are identified and adressed by the monitoring system and remediation activities.	Intermediate Capacity	Affiliates sourcing in Bangladesh should take additional action to address both building and fire safety and the prevention of violence against women.	Building, electrical and fire safety inspection reports, evidence of cooperation with other customers sourcing at the same factories (Accord signatories and/or FWF affiliates), etc.	1	3	0

**Requirement:** Tricorp needs to ensure that follow-up is given to the Accord Building and Fire Safety reports. In addition to this, WEP sessions need to be organized for the remaining production locations in Bangladesh to mitigate the risk of social conflict and gender-based violence.



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**Comment:** Tricorp ensured that management from its production facilities in Bangladesh attended the management training sessions on building and fire safety and worked on receiving the Accord Building and Fire Safety reports. It did not, however, sign the Accord.

2.6b High risk issues specific to Myanmar are identified and adressed by the monitoring system and remediation activities.	Not sourcing in Myanmar	Myanmar is still in the process of establishing the legal and civil society infrastructure needed to ensure compliance with labour rights. Extra care must be taken when doing business in Myanmar.	Shared CAPs, Wage Ladders per factory.	N/A	3	0	
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Comment: In 2014, Tricorp did not source in Myanmar.

2.7 Affiliate cooperates with other customers in resolving corrective actions at shared suppliers No CAPs active or n shared suppliers.	Cooperation between customers increases leverage and chances of successful outcomes. Cooperation also reduces the changes of a factory having to conduct multiple Corrective Action Plans about the same issue with multiple customers.	Shared CAPs, evidence of cooperation with other customers.	N/A	2	-1	
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**Recommendation:** Cooperation among costumers increases leverage, the chances of successful outcomes and long term improvements. A first step can be identifying other clients and their commitment to improving working conditions.

**Comment:** Tricorp has one shared factory and in 2014 was not able to share information or cooperate actively as the audit report was not received by the end of 2014.

2.8 Monitoring requirements are fulfilled for No production in low-risk countries	Low risk countries are determined by the presence and proper functioning of institutions which can guarantee compliance with basic standards.	Documentation of visits, notification of suppliers of FWF membership; posting of worker information sheets, completed questionnaires.	0	2	0
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**Requirement:** Monitoring requirements need to be fulfilled for production in low-risk countries in order for it to be counted towards the monitoring threshold. All production sites in low-risk countries must:

- Be visited at least annually by affiliate representatives;
- Be informed of FWF membership and return the completed CoLP questionnaire before production orders are placed;
- Post the FWF Worker Information Sheet in local languages.

**Comment:** Tricorp has production in one low-risk country, Poland, but it did not fulfill the monitoring requirements by ensuring that the Code of Labour Practices was posted there.

2.9 External brands resold by the affiliate who have completed and returned the external brand questionnaire. (% of external sales volume)	No external brands resold	FWF believes it is important for affiliates that have a retail/wholesale arm to at least know if the brands they resell are members of FWF or a similar organisation, and in which countries those brands produce goods.	Questionnaires are on file.	N/A	3	0
2.10 External brands resold by affiliates that are members of another credible initiative. (% of external sales volume)	No external brands resold	FWF believes affiliates who resell products should be rewarded for choosing to stock external brands who also take their supply chain responsibilities seriously.	External production data in FWF's information management system. Documentation of sales volumes of products made by FWF or FLA members.	N/A	3	0

# MONITORING AND REMEDIATION

Possible Points: 30 Earned Points: 15



#### 3. COMPLAINTS HANDLING

BASIC MEASUREMENTS	RESULT	COMMENTS
Number of worker complaints received since last check	0	At this point, FWF considers a high number of complaints as a positive indicator, as it shows that workers are aware of and making use of the complaints system.
Number of worker complaints in process of being resolved	0	
Number of worker complaints resolved since last check	0	

PERFORMANCE INDICATORS	RESULT	RELEVANCE OF INDICATOR	DOCUMENTATION	SCORE	MAX	MIN
3.1 A specific employee has been designated to address worker complaints	Уes	Followup is a serious part of FWF membership, and cannot be successfully managed on an ad-hoc basis.	Manuals, emails, etc., demonstrating who the designated staff person is.	1	1	-1

3.2 System exists to check that the Worker Information Sheet is posted in factories	No The Worker Information Sheet is a key first step in alerting workers to their rights.	Photos by company staff, audit reports,	0	2	0	
		checklists from factory visits, etc.				

**Recommendation**: It is suggested to ask suppliers to submit a photo of the posted CoLP with the annual questionnaire and to ask staff visiting a supplier to check if the documents are still posted as indicated on the obtained photo.

**Comment:** Tricorp did on an ad hoc basis check that the Worker Information Sheets are posted in the factories. There was, however, no system in place to check that the Worker Information Sheet was posted in the factories. All audits conducted in 2014 did show that the Code of Labour Practices was posted in the factory.

3.3 Percentage of FWF-audited factories where at least half of workers are aware of the FWF worker helpline.	50%	The FWF complaints procedure is a crucial element of verification. If factory-based complaint systems do not exist or do not work, the FWF worker helpline allows workers to ask questions about their rights and file complaints. Factory participation in the Workplace Education Programme also count towards this indicator.	Percentage of audited factories where at least 50% of interviewed workers indicate awareness of the FWF complaints mechanism + percentage of factories in WEP programme.	3	4	-2
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Comment: Workers at half of the factories audited in 2014 were aware of FWF and the worker helpline.

3.4 All complaints received from factory workers are addressed in accordance with the FWF Complaints Procedure	No complaints received	Providing access to remedy when problems arise is a key element of responsible supply chain management. Affiliate involvement is often essential to resolving issues.	Documentation that affiliate has completed all required steps in the complaints handling process.	N/A	6	-2
3.5 Cooperation with other customers in addressing worker complaints at shared suppliers	No complaints or cooperation not possible / necessary.	Because most factories supply several customers with products, involvement of other customers by the FWF affiliate can be critical in resolving a complaint at a supplier.	Documentation of joint efforts, e.g. emails, sharing of complaint data, etc.	N/A	2	-2

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# COMPLAINTS HANDLING

Possible Points: 7 Earned Points: 4

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### 4. TRAINING AND CAPACITY BUILDING

PERFORMANCE INDICATORS	RESULT	RELEVANCE OF INDICATOR	DOCUMENTATION	SCORE	MAX	MIN
4.1 All staff is made aware of FWF membership requirements	Yes	Preventing and remediating problems often requires the involvement of many different departments; making all staff aware of FWF membership requirements helps to support cross-departmental collaboration when needed.	Emails, trainings, presentation, newsletters, etc.	1	1	-1

**Comment:** Staff at Tricorp have been made aware of FWF membership requirements. FWF provided a training for its sales staff in early 2014.

4.2 Ongoing training in support of FWF requirements is provided to staff in direct contact with suppliers.	Yes	Sourcing, purchasing and CSR staff at a minimum should possess the knowledge necessary to implement FWF requirements and advocate for change within their organisations.	FWF Seminars or equivalent trainings provided; presentations, curricula, etc.	2	2	0
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Comment: Tricorp had one of its buying staff attend a seminar organized by FWF for its member affiliates.

4.3 All sourcing contractors/agents are Informed about FWF's Code of Labour Practices.	Agents have the potential to either support or disrupt CoLP implementation. It is the responsibility of affiliate to ensure agents actively support the implementation of the CoLP.	Correspondence with agents, trainings for agents, FWF audit findings.	1	2	-2
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**Requirement:** FWF affiliate needs to ensure agents are aware of FWF requirements and actively support the implementation of the CoLP.

**Comment:** In the cases where Tricorp works with agents, they are aware of FWF's Code of Labour Practices. In one case, however, they did not play a beneficial role in the organization of a Workplace Education Program in Bangladesh.

4.4 Factory participation in Workplace 35% Education Programme (where WEP is offered; by production volume)	Lack of knowledge and skills on best practices related to labour standards is acommon issue in factories. Good quality training of workers and managers is a key step towards sustainable improvements.	Documentation of relevant trainings; participation in Workplace Education Programme.	4	6	0
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**Comment:** Tricorp enrolled about 35% of its factories located in countries where WEP is offered in WEP training sessions in 2014.

4.5 Factory participation in trainings (where WEP is not offered; by production volume)	100%	In areas where the Workplace Education Programme is not yet offered, affiliates may arrange trainings on their own or work with other training-partners. Trainings must meet FWF quality standards to receive credit for this indicator.	Curricula, other documentation of training content, participation and outcomes.	4	4	0	
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**Comment:** Tricorp's factory located in Cambodia is an active participant of the ILO Better Factories Cambodia program. This is the only factory located in a country where WEP is not offered where production was placed in 2014.

#### TRAINING AND CAPACITY BUILDING

Possible Points: 15

Earned Points: 12

### 5. INFORMATION MANAGEMENT

PERFORMANCE INDICATORS	RESULT	RELEVANCE OF INDICATOR	DOCUMENTATION	SCORE	MAX	MIN
5.1 Level of effort to identify all production locations	Intermediate	Any improvements to supply chains require affiliates to first know all of their production locations.	Supplier information provided by affiliate. Financial records of previous financial year. Documented efforts by affiliate to update supplier information from its monitoring activities.	3	6	-2

**Requirement:** After the end of each financial year, affiliates must confirm their list of suppliers and provide relevant financial data. A complete suppliers list means ALL suppliers are included.

**Comment:** Tricorp has taken steps in 2014 to identify all production locations in 2014. However, a number of production locations falling under one of its agents were missing in the supplier register and only registered in the database during the Brand Performance Check process.

5.2 A system exists to allow purchasing, CSR and other relevant staff to share information with each other about working conditions at suppliers	Yes	CSR, purchasing and other staff who interact with suppliers need to be able to share information in order to establish a coherent and effective strategy for improvements.	Internal information system; status CAPs, reports of meetings of purchasing/CSR; systematic way of storing information.	1	1	-1	
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**Comment:** Tricorp does have a system to ensure that CSR and other relevant staff have access to information about working conditions at suppliers.



## INFORMATION MANAGEMENT

Possible Points: 7

Earned Points: 4



#### 6. TRANSPARENCY

PERFORMANCE INDICATORS	RESULT	RELEVANCE OF INDICATOR	DOCUMENTATION	SCORE	MAX	MIN
6.1 Communication about FWF membership adheres to the FWF communications policy	Yes	FWF membership should be communicated in a clear and accurate manner. FWF guidelines are designed to prevent misleading claims.	Logo is placed on website; other communications in line with policy. Affiliates may lose points if there is evidence that they did not comply with the communications policy.	1	1	-2

Comment: Tricorp adhered to the FWF communications policy in 2014.

6.2 Affiliate engages in advanced reporting activities	No	Good reporting by members helps to ensure the transparency of FWF's work and shares best practices with the industry.	Affiliate publishes one or more of the following on their website: Brand Performance Check, Audit Reports, Supplier List.	0	1	0
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**Recommendation:** FWF recommends Tricorp to publish one or more of the following reports on its website: brand performance check, audit reports, supplier information. Good reporting by members helps to ensure the transparency of the affiliate and FWF's work.

Comment: In 2014, Tricorp did not engage in advanced reporting activities.

6.3 Social Report is si published on affiliate	ubmitted to FWF and is 's website	Complete report submitted to FWF	The Social Report is an important tool for affiliates to transparently share their efforts with stakeholders.	Report adheres to FWF guidelines for Social Report content.	1	2	-2
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Comment: Tricorp submitted its Social Report 2014.



# TRANSPARENCY

Possible Points: 4

Earned Points: 2



# 7. EVALUATION

PERFORMANCE INDICATORS	RESULT	RELEVANCE OF INDICATOR	DOCUMENTATION	SCORE	MAX	MIN
7.1 Systemic annual evaluation of FWF membership is conducted with involvement of top management	Yes	An annual evaluation involving top management ensures that FWF policies are integrated into the structure of the company.	Meeting minutes, verbal reporting, Powerpoints, etc.	2	2	0
7.2 Changes from previous Brand Performance Check implemented by affiliate	57%	In each Brand Performance Check report, FWF may include requirements for changes to management practices. Progress on achieving these requirements is an important part of FWF membership and its process approach.	Affiliate should show documentation related to the specific requirements made in the previous Brand Performance Check.	4	4	-2

**Requirement:** It is required to work towards remediation of previous requirements from the last Brand Performance Check. Further engagement needs to be taken with regard to the following requirements mentioned in the last Brand Performance Check.

**Comment:** Tricorp undertook a number of initiatives to follow up on the requirements from the previous Brand Performance Check. These included:

-resending the questionnaire and Code of Labour Practices to all known suppliers;

-addressing high-risk issues in its supply chain, primarily related to Bangladesh;

-ensuring through WEP training sessions that workers became more aware of FWF and its complaints mechanism;

-organizing WEP training sessions in a number of factories in China and Bangladesh.

Tricorp made limited progress on the following:

-ensuring that the Code of Labour Practices were posted in the factories;

It did not make any progress on the following issues:

-evaluating suppliers in a systematic manner;

-conducting a root cause analysis for excessive overtime;

-conducting a root cause analysis for wages at factories being lower than living wage estimates.

#### EVALUATION

Possible Points: 6 Earned Points: 6



# RECOMMENDATIONS TO FWF

N/A

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## SCORING OVERVIEW

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CATEGORY	EARNED	POSSIBLE	
Purchasing Practices	14	37	
Monitoring and Remediation	15	30	
Complaints Handling	4	7	
Training and Capacity Building	12	15	
Information Management	4	7	
Transparency	2	4	
Evaluation	6	6	
Totals:	57	106	
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BENCHMARKING SCORE (EARNED POINTS DIVIDED BY POSSIBLE POINTS)

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PERFORMANCE BENCHMARKING CATEGORY

Good



#### BRAND PERFORMANCE CHECK DETAILS

Date of Brand Performance Check:

09-03-2015

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Geert Thijssen, Operational Manager Hendrik Stiksma, General Director Jenny Roebroek, Buyer Roelof van Balen, Purchasing Manager

#### Audit Summary:

Publication of the audit summary section previously included in Brand Performance Checks has been suspended while Fair Wear Foundation develops a new information system to manage and summarize the data.

