## MSCH COPENHAGEN

# **Animal Welfare Policy**

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MSCH COPENHAGEN do not support animals being harmed in the name of fashion. Animals affected by and used in the production of our products must be treated with dignity and respect according to animal welfare legislation and international recommendations throughout their lives, thus applicable to farms, transporters and slaughterhouses involved.

MSCH COPENHAGEN require our suppliers to work with us to assure best practices and increase traceability in our supply chain to maintain transparent and responsible operations and mitigate the physical distance from our brand to the farms.

The Five Animal Freedoms must be adapted and applied by all suppliers delivering animal derived products to MSCH COPENHAGEN. The Five Animal Freedoms are:

- Freedom from Hunger and Thirst
  - o By access to fresh water and diet to maintain health and strength.
- Freedom from Discomfort
  - By providing an appropriate environment including shelter and a comfortable resting area.
- Freedom from Pain, Injury or Disease
  - By preventing them from getting ill or injured and making sure the animals are treated if they do.
- Freedom to express Normal Behavior
  - By providing sufficient space, proper facilities and company of the animal's own kind.
- Freedom from Fear and Distress
  - By ensuring conditions and treatment which avoid mental suffering.

Transportation of animals must always occur in compliance with local legislation and actors must ensure that animals are not travelling long distances, have enough space and have access to food and water during the transportation. Any killing of animals must occur using the quickest and the least painful method available.

MSCH COPENHAGEN does not support testing on animals.

Requirements for animal derived materials and processes When sourcing below-mentioned animal-derived materials, MSCH COPENHAGEN suppliers must ensure that the animals are treated according to our animal welfare policy.

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#### Down

- MSCH COPENHAGEN is sourcing only RDS-certified feathers and down.
- MSCH COPENHAGEN only accept the use of feathers and down from animals that have been bred for the food industry (by-product).
- MSCH COPENHAGEN does not allow live plucking of the birds.
- We only use feather or downs from birds that have been bred for the food industry, but not to produce Fois Gras.

#### Mohair wool

- MSCH COPENHAGEN is shifting towards sourcing RMS-certified mohair.
- MSCH COPENHAGEN do not allow any mistreatment of Mohair goats during shearing of their wool.

#### Wool

- MSCH COPENHAGEN is shifting towards sourcing RWS-certified wool.
- In line with the RWS standard, MSCH COPENHAGEN condemns all
  practice of mulesing and we require our suppliers to guarantee that this
  method is not practiced when sourcing wool. This practice is mostly done
  in Australia, so you must be cautious when sourcing from that area.
- MSCH COPENHAGEN does not accept wool from new-born animals or aborted animals (e.g. Karakul)
- Ensuring a good treatment of the animals when sheering of wool, is essential to MSCH COPENHAGEN. To ensure this, we require our suppliers to work with us to increase traceability in our joint supply chain.

#### Leather

- MSCH COPENHAGEN only accept the use of leather from animals that have been bred for the food industry. Animals should be treated according to our animal welfare policy and to ensure this, we require our suppliers to work with us to increase traceability in our joint supply chain.
- MSCH COPENHAGEN condemns the process of live skinning and live boiling and we require our supplier to guarantee that this process is not practiced anywhere in our supply chain.
- We do not accept leather from areas where endangered forests are cut down to make room for farms.

### Banned animal-derived materials

The following animal-derived products are banned in MSCH COPENHAGEN products:

### **Endangered Species**

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MSCH COPENHAGEN does not sell products that derives from animals appearing on either of these lists:

- The International Union for the Conservation of Nature (IUCN)
- The Convention of International Trade in Endangered Species (CITES).

Fur

MSCH COPENHAGEN do not use fur in any of our products. We will only ask for fake fur, when placing orders. To ensure this ban is kept, random tests are being initialized.

Angora wool

MSCH COPENHAGEN do not use angora wool in any of our products.

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