



## MODERN SLAVERY STATEMENT

Standard Wool are a group of companies who specialise in sourcing wool directly from the growers, processing the wool in their state of the art processing mills where the wool is cleaned, dried, carded, combed, and sold onto their clients in the Woollen, Worsted and Non-Woven textile sectors, the company trades wool around the globe from its head quarters based in the historic textile city, Bradford, West Yorkshire here in the United Kingdom, Standard Wool has a reputation for quality, service and honesty.

Standard Wool has wool supply operations in the UK, Chile, New Zealand and Republic of Ireland where it collects wool directly from the growers gate and auction systems. These companies are fully owned subsidiaries of Standard Wool (UK) Ltd.

Standard Wool also procures wool from long standing suppliers in all wool growing continents of the world, paying the market price for wool.

Standard Wool has a clause in its purchase contracts which ensures their supply chain fully adheres to The Modern Slavery Act 2015.

Whilst Modern Slavery is a new act, over the next 12 months we will look to improve our knowledge and understanding, we already have strong principles when dealing with our stakeholders, ensuring we treat our suppliers in the same way as we would treat our customer, as wool is traded as a commodity around the globe, it is equally important to have a strong supplier relationship, where the supplier can thrive and grow.

We actively encourage our trading and procurement team to make visits, particularly at the time of shearing and spend time appraising our supply chain, although this currently takes place on an informal basis, we will make steps to have a robust internal audit procedure when it comes to evaluating our supply chain in the future.

Standard Wool has nominated Paul S Hughes as the officer in charge of Modern Slavery, Paul is a company director and has spent the last decade visiting suppliers and customers around the globe and is best placed to reemphasise the culture and company responsibilities with regards to the Modern Slavery Act.

Paul S Hughes

Company Director  
On Behalf of the Board of Directors of Standard Wool (UK) Ltd  
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