



SUSTAINABILITY REPORTING 2022

* From Past to Present Akkuş



Akkuş Tekstil was established in 1993 by the Akkuş family to produce denim styles for men and women.



European exports started in 2002.



In 2006, another well-equipped textile factory was established in Avcılar, Istanbul..



Akkuş Tekstil, which strengthened and developed in 2011, continued to produce and develop by establishing a well-equipped factory in Mardin, the beautiful city of the East.



Today, Akkuş Tekstil operates in all European countries, especially Italy, Germany, Spain, France, Netherlands, England, Greece and Poland..

* AKKUS TEXTILE

One of Turkey's leading denim apparel manufacturers since 1993.

It continues to serve with a total of 25,000 m² fully integrated facilities.

600 experienced employees-500,000 production capacity.

Strong R&D and design departments.

Stable growth every year in the list of Turkey's top 500 exporters.

Fast production, current 1.5 million meters of fabric stock.

Less outsourcing, more in-house production policy



OUR FACTORIES

Istanbul Factory

10.000 m2 production facility.

230 Employees; Design, Showroom, Model, Sample Department, Cutting, Washing, Packaging facilities.

Production capacity of 300,000 pieces per month. SLCP, SEDEX, HIGG-FEM, ZDHC, GOTS, OCS, RCS, GRS documents. Zero waste certification.

Washing; Machines that can produce with less water consumption. Environmentally Friendly Filter system.

Mardin Factory

15.000 m2 production facility Fully integrated.

375 employees; Cutting, Sewing, Washing, Ironing Package.

200.000 pieces of garment production capacity per month. SLCP, SEDEX, HIGG-FEM, ZDHC, GOTS, OCS, RCS, GRS documents.

Washing; Machines that can produce with less water consumption.





OUR POLICIES

ENVIRONMENT; Considering respect for people and the environment as one of the building blocks of its production, AKKUŞ TEKSTİL SAN. TRADE. Inc. has adopted the principle of not polluting instead of cleaning, along with fulfilling its basic responsibilities. Our company, which incorporates the necessary purification system in order to minimize the damage it causes to the nature during our production, shows sensitivity to these studies that bring savings afterwards.

In order to reduce the amount of waste, it is first evaluated within the company and checked for appropriateness. We have a treatment system with a discharge permit for our liquid wastes. The relevant facility is controlled by the municipality periodically, and certain controls are also carried out by our company.

We are constantly updating our works to minimize the amount of water and energy used, to review our processes and to ensure the least water and energy use.

Our efforts to reduce the amount of natural gas used, related boiler maintenance and increase efficiency are repeated at certain intervals.

AKKUŞ TEXTILE IND. TRADE. Inc. In the textile industry in which it operates, the company aims to realize its environmental awareness in all stages of production and service activities in accordance with the requirements of the environmental management system, with the participation of its senior management and all its employees.

DISCRIMINATION ; All employees benefit equally from workplace opportunities and workplace regulations. Unfair, not based on the principles of equality and ethically unacceptable practices are avoided.

Akkuş Tekstil is responsible for the nationality, race, ancestry, color, religion, financial means, marital status, philosophical principles, political tendencies, physical disabilities, age, gender, sexual orientation, pregnancy-motherhood status, marital status, age, membership to any union or not. Also, discriminatory approaches based on other personal characteristics are not included.

The application of the person applying for a job is not rejected unjustly, the reason for the rejection is notified to the applicant.

All employees have equal conditions when starting a job, training, promotion and transfer. No one is forced to work under reduced pay, opportunity, or unfair conditions.

Our company's personnel policy is basically; Recruitment, Wage & Earning Determination, Promotion and Dismissal are based on the employee's abilities, experience, skills and job performance only.





WHY IS SUSTAINABILITY IMPORTANT?



We are striving to become one of the largest and most respected organizations in our sector, with the experience we have gained in these days, when we leave our 28th year behind. This feature makes us responsible for our industry, our country and the world. With the rapidly increasing world population and energy (water, electricity, gas) demand, the struggles and conflicts on economic, political and environmental issues have reached much more widespread and serious dimensions. Energy sources; It is faced with many serious problems in terms of quantity, quality and all other sectoral uses. In this direction, as Akkuş Family, we know our gratitude towards the environment and people, and we believe that we can do greater things for future generations. As a company, we are not only profit-oriented, but also attach importance to Social Responsibility, Environmental Balance and energy consumption, and we act sensitively.

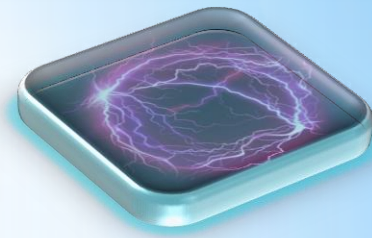


FOCUS POINTS AND TARGETS FOR SUSTAINABILITY





ELECTRICITY



By monitoring all our energy consumption in our factories, we develop projects to save energy in our electricity use. By Improving Our Lighting Equipment; Nature-Friendly LED Lights have been used in all business lighting, and a sensor system has been introduced in common areas.



We Provide Environmentally Friendly Working Conditions by Switching to the Use of Electric Forklifts in Our Factories. Also in our

Mardin Factory; We aim to put the SES Application (Solar Energy System) into operation in March or April.

WATER

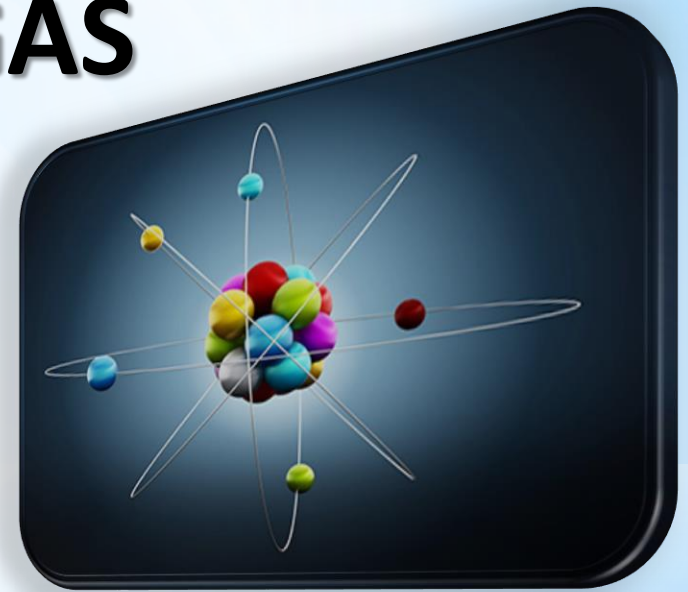
It is planned to save 30% water in the next 5 years by transforming all our washing machines into sustainable and ozone machines in terms of water consumption.



In addition, we produce alternative solutions to the dry process, washing effect, net effect, permanganate spray process with Laser technology, thus aiming to reduce water usage even more. Physical and chemical treatment is carried out with our waste water treatment plant, our waste water values are; It is examined and followed by independent laboratories. We aim to use less water by using ozone technology.

* NATURAL GAS

We have completed the insulation process of all of our company-wide hot water pipelines.



We renew all our dryers and produce with environmentally friendly machines.

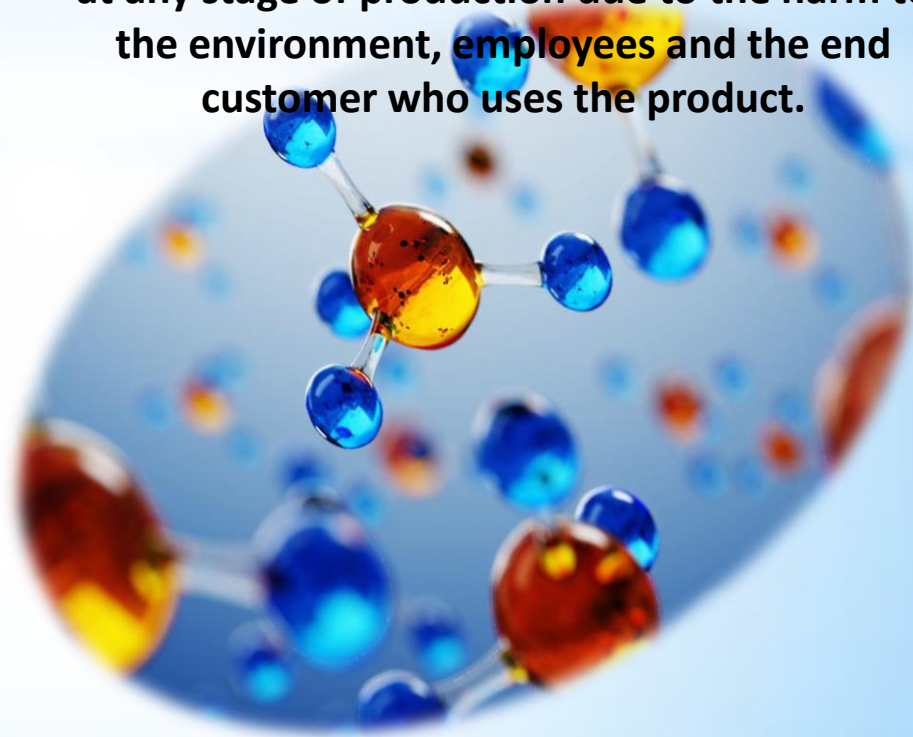
CHEMICAL MANAGEMENT SYSTEM



In addition to the economic and social dimensions of sustainability, another important element is the environment. Our company AKKUŞ TEKSTİL accepts and undertakes that it will not use chemicals that are prohibited or restricted by our customers at any stage of production due to the harm to the environment, employees and the end customer who uses the product.

No Chemicals Are Taken into Operation That Are Not Certified in The List A And ZDHC LEVEL-3 As A Chemical Management System

We increased the use of environmentally friendly certified chemicals from 70% to 100%





RECYCLE



As Akkuş Tekstil, we fulfill our responsibility towards the environment by reaching the goals and targets we will set by complying with legal and all other requirements, by reducing the environmental impacts that arise as a result of our activities, by constantly improving our environmental performance and by making efforts to spread environmental awareness.

In this context, we continued activities within the scope of recycling/disposal of our wastes in 2022, as in previous years. We received our Zero Waste Certificate in 2022 by paying attention to the on-site separation of wastes within the facility.

in 2022;

**Disposal of 847 kg of waste as hazardous waste,
Recycling of 136890 kg of waste as fabric scraps,
Recovery of 270 kg of Waste Vegetable Oil,
Recovery of 1 kg of waste as waste batteries,
Recycling of 9750 kg of waste as waste paper,
3480 as waste plastic We have ensured the recycling of kg of waste.**



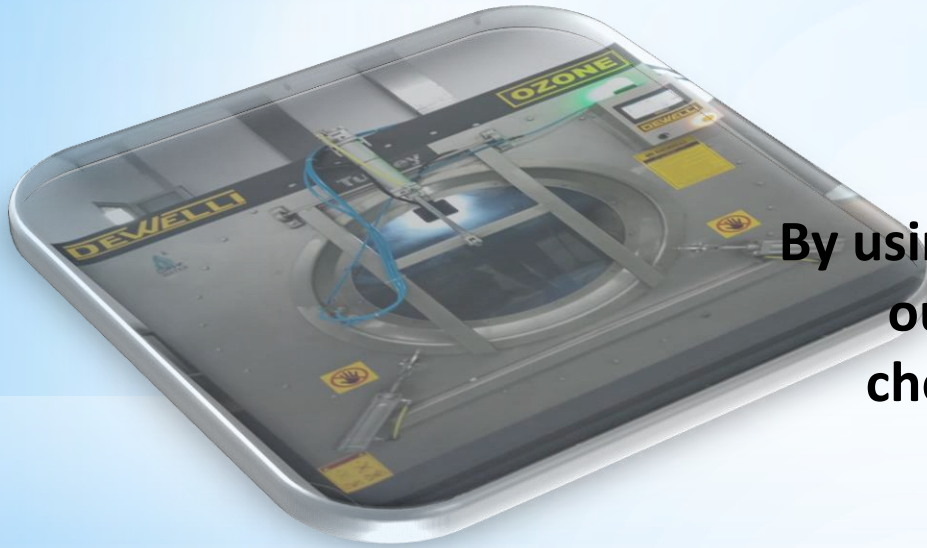
PRODUCTION

We continue our Cutting-Sewing-Washing-Ironing Package processes in Akkuş Tekstil İstanbul-Mardin Factories. In addition, in our İstanbul Factory, collections are prepared according to our own designs and customer demands in line with the trends



We carry out innovative, modern and environmentally friendly R&D and P&D studies. While following global trends, we do not compromise on our environmentalist approach.

* ECOLOGICAL PRODUCTION



By using the latest technology Ozone system,
our company carries out completely
chemical-free (ecological) washings in
production



Owing to Ecological Production, 15% savings were achieved in the use of
water and chemicals.

Akkus Tekstil continues to be an environmentally sensitive organization with its innovative policies. We are taking the necessary steps to help protect the world and leave a cleaner environment for future generations

Environmental Impact Measurement System

E-FLOW washing technology

Organic Production (GOTS-OCS)

Recycling production (GRS-RCS)



* CERTIFICATES AND MEMBERSHIPS



9001



14001



45001



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