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Global Recycled Standard
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The Recycled Claim Standard (RCS) is an international, voluntary standard that sets requirements for third-party certification of recycled input and chain of custody. The primary goal of the RCS is to increase the use of recycled materials.

The Global Recycled Standard (GRS) is an international, voluntary, full product standard that sets requirements for third-party certification of recycled input, chain of custody, social and environmental practices, and chemical restrictions. The primary goal of the GRS is to increase use of recycled materials in products and reduce the harmful social, environmental, and chemical impacts of production.

Objectives of both the RCS and GRS:

- Alignment of recycled definitions across multiple applications.
- Track and trace recycled input materials.
- Provide consumers (both brands and end consumers) with a tool to make informed decisions.
- Provide assurance that materials are actually recycled and in a final product.

Objectives specific to the GRS only:

- Reduce harmful impact of production on people and the environment.
- Provide assurance that materials in the final product are actually recycled and processed more sustainably.
- Drive innovation in addressing quality issues in the use of recycled materials.

Certification Process for Both GRS and RCS:

» Application in GCL portal

» Acceptance of GCL quotation and schem rules

» Scheduling an audit - Good preparation can reduce certification costs by saving auditing time

» On-site audit - GCL will send an auditor to conduct an audit against the requirements of the standard

» Certification - Audit results will be reviewed to make a final certification decision

» Transaction certificate and Claims approval – Certified entity can apply for transaction certificate and claims approval for their certified products.

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