

## our responsibility

In our world of consumption, **the**sign looks to offer relevant and responsible products for our homes and social spaces.

The *creative team* responds to social changes and behaviors with solutions that affect "what they should need" in order to make our world more equitable and environmentally responsible. Products as a result are targeted and pertinent, they don't just create for the sake of creating. They know that design has the power to change our relationship with each other and the environment as a whole.

The *production* is carefully sourced. Quality is of the utmost importance, while they won't turn an eye to the impact it has on equity and the environment. For this reason the production is in partnership with mills exclusively in Europe. **the**sign doesn't only seek out innovation and quality with their production partners, they also need to be engaged and responsible in that fair labor practices and environment protection measures are in place and part of their ethos.

with true luxury comes responsibility

## environmental, sustainability, and equity **statement**

Our planet has been enduring the stress of our impact on it. In these challenging times great responsibility is required, the sign is committed to rise up to the challenge and be a responsible force towards sustainability and reduction of the impact on our only home, our planet.

## Our Offices, Showroom, and Warehouse

The first step happens where we work. Whether creating designs, making memos, or fulfilling our customers, we use products that are recycable or have a minimal impact on the environment. Recycled waste include: paper, cardboard, printer toners, batteries, glass, plastics, aluminum cans, coffee capsules, etc.

Our spaces are flooded with natural light, thanks to triple exposures. Additional lighting is provided by energy efficient LED lights.

In winter, the thermostat is set to a maximum of 20°C (68°F). In Summer, we don't employ any air conditioning, did we mention our triple exposures?

Our goal is a paperless office. Whenever possible we communicate paperless, which includes PDF invoices for example.

These environmental engagements conforms to the standards set out by the Swiss government.

## **Textiles / Wallcoverings**

All of our fabrics and wallcoverings are manufactured in Europe, to ensure the conformity to European governmental standards and regulations.

Our partner mills comply with **REACH** (European Union regulation for Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation and Restriction of CHemicals). We successfully carried out all appropriate controls on our articles with regards to the 201 substances identified by European Agency, ensuring continuity in the necessary assessments of our articles on the possible presence of the substances mentioned, in compliance with the requirements of Article 33 of REACH.

In addition our fabrics are certified **OEKO-TEX** Standard 100, one of the world's best-known labels for textiles tested for harmful substances.

We are also certified by ICEA for **Global Recycled Standard**, for products obtained from recycled materials and manufacturing activities. Enhance products made with recycled materials, in compliance with environmental and social criteria extended to all stages of the production chain.

Primary materials (yarns and dyes) have been sustainably and equitably sourced. Ensuring their procurement and production was not harmful to the environment or as a result of unfair labor practices.

No products or processes harmful to the environment are employed in our textiles and wallcoverings production.

What we leave behind is important to the next generation. When it comes to the environment the least impact we impose is the best gift to pass on. When it comes to equity, making the world more fair is the best legacy to ensure harmony for generations to come.





