

Tereos UK & Ireland Ltd. (TUKI)

Modern slavery statement for financial year 2017/18

This statement is made pursuant to s.54 of the Modern Slavery Act 2015 and sets out the steps that TUKI has taken and is continuing to take to ensure that modern slavery or human trafficking is not taking place within our business or supply chain.

Modern slavery encompasses slavery, servitude, human trafficking and forced labour. TUKI has a zero tolerance approach to any form of modern slavery. We are committed to acting ethically and with integrity and transparency in all business dealings and to putting effective systems and controls in place to safeguard against any form of modern slavery taking place within the business or our supply chain.

Our Business

Tereos UK and Ireland Ltd (TUKI) is a wholly owned subsidiary of Tereos, the world's 3rd largest sugar producer. In the UK we have a turnover of circa £140m, supplying sugar to both retail and industrial customers, and Starches and Sweeteners to industrial customers. We employ around 120 people operating over 2 sites based in Normanton, West Yorkshire, and Stallingborough in Lincolnshire. At Normanton we pack sugars imported from around the world into retail packs, both private label and our Whitworths brand.

Our high risk areas

TUKI sources some sugar products from ILLOVO Malawi. Due to the seasonal nature of the work in the sugar cane industry and the location of this Business, it could be deemed as high risk. TUKI have worked with this supplier for many years and regularly audit their facilities and practices. Policies and Illovo Child Labour and Forced Labour Guidelines are available on their website. (<https://www.illovosugar.co.za/Group-Governance/Forced-and-Child-Labour-Guidelines>).

We also source cane sugars from Reunion Island in the Indian Ocean (Tereos Indian Ocean) where the same stringent labour laws that exist in France today, are applied, including but not limited to the French Corporate Duty Of Vigilance Law.

Other cane sugar sources are also audited and approved, conforming to the required standards.

Where temporary labour is used within TUKI Operations, the provider is regulated by the GLA and is audited at least annually by our trained team. This extends to any labour providers used in any connected parent company activity in France.

Our policies

We operate a number of internal policies to ensure that we are conducting business in an ethical and transparent manner. These include:

1. Recruitment policy. We operate a robust recruitment policy, including conducting eligibility to work in the UK checks for all employees to safeguard against human trafficking or individuals being forced to work against their will.
2. Whistleblowing policy. We operate a whistleblowing policy so that all employees know that they can raise concerns about how colleagues are being treated, or practices within our business or supply chain, without fear of reprisals.
3. Our Business has been and will be regularly audited to SMETA 4 pillar standard. TUKI also are AB members of SEDEX and use this membership as a tool in the supplier approval process.
4. Compliance Rules and Good Business Practices training is provided for all Managers within our business. This training explains the manner in which we behave as an organisation and how we expect our employees and suppliers to act.

5. Ethical Charter and Ethics Code - The purpose of these policies is to guide and inform all of Tereos's behaviours, actions and decision making by asserting the principles and rules of conduct required.

Our suppliers

TUKI operates a supplier approval procedure and maintains a preferred supplier list. We conduct due diligence on all suppliers before allowing them to become a supplier. This includes supply chain risk and vulnerability assessments supported by a scoring matrix that utilises Sedex and other data to establish levels of risk and act accordingly. We then work with the 5 suppliers who have the lowest risk assessment score, with the aim of continuously improving our supplier base.

All suppliers are required to operate to the rules of the Tereos Supplier Social Responsibility Charter, a document founded on the principles of the ETI Base Code.

Training

We regularly conduct training for all our colleagues in order that they understand and can spot the signs of modern slavery and what to do if they suspect that it is taking place within our supply chain. Further to this, specific training of our Procurement/Supply chain and Technical colleagues takes place, which includes:

1. Tereos Ethical Charter (founded on ETI Base Code).
2. Compliance rules and good business practices.
3. Training in the auditing of labour providers.
4. Specific Ethical Trade Training.
5. Stronger Together and ALP training.

Our performance indicators

We do not have key performance indicators specifically in relation to slavery or human trafficking as any instance would be a non-compliance and breach of employment laws. It is our intention to use our supplier risk assessment tool to show improvements and demonstrate our commitment to continuously improving our supply chain.

Continuous Improvement

TUKI are committed to ensuring our supply chain in no way supports Human Slavery or Trafficking. To this end we regularly review our policies and procedures, driving continuous improvement in this area and compliance within our supply chain. This is supported by regular multidisciplinary meetings and an Ethical Action Plan.

Approval for this statement

This statement was approved by the Board of Directors.

Date : March 31, 2018

Name (Director) : Yves BELEGAUD.

Signature

