



## Downpass Standard – Summarized in 6 Points

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The work of Downpass is globally and politically recognized. It is based on “The Standing Committee of the European Convention for the Protection of Animals Kept for Farming Purposes (1999)” and on the different quality standards for feathers and down.

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The filling material is traced back through specialized audits and the quality is regularly checked. Audits and quality checks are done by neutral third parties.

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The Traceability system is upgraded on a regular basis. The system can examine the Chain of Custody back to the farm.

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We share and check our knowledge with scientists, veterinarians and animal protection organizations and other stakeholders.

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Downpass is adjustable to the customers’ needs.

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Downpass labelling serves finished down clothing or down sleeping bags as well as bulk down.



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(All audits and testing procedures are done by neutral third parties)

### Basics (minimum requirements)

#### **Traceability**

Feathers and down must be obtained exclusively from animals previously slaughtered. The down processor is obliged to document the flow of goods according to the EDFA Traceability Standard. EDFA requires that the material has to be traceable back to the slaughterhouse.

#### **Quality**

Finished products labelled with Downpass must comply with the quality checks shown on the label. The quality checks are done through Mystery Shopping with subsequent examination of the filling at recognized testing institutes.

### Superior traceability options (available on request)



Basics + traceability back to the farm including transportation



Basics + traceability of feathers and down not obtained from force-fed animals



Basics + traceability back to the farm and traceability of feathers and down not obtained from force-fed animals