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l'origine de la production du cuir

Leder - Anforderungen an die Bestimmung der
Herkunft von Leder

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European foreword

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- Alignment of the following terms and definitions with EN 15987:2022:
 - 3.1 “Leather”;
 - 3.4 “Crust”.

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EN 16484:2023 (E)**Introduction**

This document has been prepared for defining the conditions for determining the origin of the leather production in conformity with the international Non-Preferential Rules of Origin and for fulfilling, where applicable, the requirements for supplying the declaration of the country of origin of the leather production.

When the origin of the leather production is declared, it is essential to make certain that the statement is accurate. Therefore, it needs to relate to objective and verifiable requirements.

This document applies to leather only. Leather articles, such as leather bags, leather goods, leather accessories, leather footwear, leather clothes or leather clothes accessories, leather upholstered furniture, etc. are subject to their own respective rules of origin. It is not possible to determine implicitly the origin of leather used (partially or totally) from the declared origin of leather articles. Conversely, the origin of the leather used does not automatically confer the origin to the leather article.

1 Scope

This document defines the requirements that are necessary to confer the origin of leather production based on the principle of the last substantial transformation according to Non-Preferential Rules of Origin.

This document is applicable to leather only and it is applicable also to leather with hair. Furs are excluded.

The country of origin of raw hides and skins isn't relevant for the application of this document.

2 Normative references

The following documents are referred to in the text in such a way that some or all of their content constitutes requirements of this document. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

EN 15987:2022, *Leather - Terminology - Key definitions for the leather trade*

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