

IDFL NEWS



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IDFL Europe

Matthew Lieber, Manager of IDFL Europe, reports on several positive developments:

2009 is a record year for IDFL Europe Testing.

During the first six months of 2009, IDFL Europe testing is up 20% from 2008. More and more clients are testing both bulk down and finished products

In addition, European clients are testing many more products at IDFL China before shipment to Europe. European testing at our IDFL China office is up 30% from 2008.

Inspect/Test Shipments from China to Europe

IDFL is expanding its capability to verify shipments to European clients from Chinese and other Asian factories.

IDFL offers the following for China shipments to Europe:

- On-site inspection of China factories.
- Sample collection during production.
- Inspection and locking of down bales and containers.
- Random testing of finished products before shipment.

Additional Fabric Testing Available

IDFL offers EN Downproof testing and a wide variety of other fabric tests for down-filled products.

IDFL response to Live Plucking Issues

IDFL worked closely with all agencies to resolve live plucking issues. We offer auditing of suppliers in Asia to verify compliance with client demands for non-live plucked material.

IDFL can do the following EN Tests:

EN Down & Feather Tests

EN 1161 Moisture Content

EN 1162 Oxygen Index

EN 1163 Oil and Fat

EN 1164 Turbidity

EN 1167 Size of Quilt

EN 1882 Determination of Mass

EN 1883 Sampling

EN 1884 Microbiological /

EN 12130 Fill Power (with PAS1003)

EN 12131 Content Analysis (Composition)

EN 12132 Downproof of Fabric

EN 12934 Labeling Specifications

EN 12935 Hygiene and Cleanliness

EN 13186 Specifications for Bedding Articles

Plus more EN & all IDFB, IKEA, JIS, AS, GB, FZ Tests

EN Fabric Tests

EN 105 Colorfastness (see list below)

B02,C01-6,D01, E01-07, P01, X05,11,12

EN 1049.2 Threadcount

EN 1122 Extractable Metal

EN 12127 Fabric Weight

EN 12472 & EN 1811 Nickel Release

EN 12945.1-2 Piling Resistance

EN 12947.2-4 Abrasion Resistance

EN 13934.1-2 Tensile Strength

EN 13935.1-2 Seam Performance Strength

EN 13936.1-2 Seam Performance Slippage

EN 13937.1-4 Tearing Strength

EN 13938.1 Bursting Strength

EN 1413 pH

EN 14362.1-2 Azo Dye

EN 20811, EN 24920 Water Repellency

EN 5084 Fabric Thickness

EN 6330 Dimensional Stability

EN 9237 Air Permeability

EN 14184.1-2 Formaldehyde

PLUS Many Other EN & ISO Tests

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