

Preface

As global warming and other environmental problems become increasingly serious on a global scale, efforts to protect the environment are becoming a major trend on a global scale.

In order to build a sustainable, recycling-oriented society, it is of utmost importance for companies to conduct business activities in harmony with the environment.

We obtained ISO 14001 certification in March 2001 and are working to reduce the environmental impact of our business activities, including energy and resource conservation.

In cooperation with manufacturers, we are also working to develop and promote environmentally friendly products.

In addition, in November 2017, the company became a "bluesign system partner" established by bluesign technologies ag, an international certification body in Switzerland, with strict safety standards for the textile industry.

In the future, we will continue to develop our activities with an emphasis on contributing to the sale and spread of environmentally friendly products by making the most of our domestic and international networks.

This "Environmental Activities Report 2022" summarizes the results of our environmental conservation and other activities in fiscal year 2021.

The report is intended to provide an understanding of our environmental stance and some of our activities.

We hope that this report will give you a better understanding of our environmental stance and some of our activities, as well as your opinions and suggestions for future activities.



SHIMADA SHOJI CO.,LTD.

PRESIDENT
Nobuhiro Shimada

Environment Policy

Basic Principle

Shimada Shoji Co., Ltd. focuses on the manufacture and sale of auxiliary clothing materials, and enriches people's lives.

In addition to developing the businesses we provide, "Conservation of the global environment is one of the most important issues common to all humankind."

Recognizing that there is, we will do our utmost to develop business activities aimed at harmony with the environment.

Basic Policy

1. Comply with environment rules and regulations.
Comply with environmental laws and with in-house environmental policy.
2. Contribute to the creation of environment-friendly products.
As an apparel- sewing resources company, we contribute to the development of environment-friendly products and also sell these products.
3. Reduce environmental burdens generated through business activities.
Based of the following concepts, we make every effort to prevent contamination and protect the environment by using sustainable resources and by minimizing environmental burdens generated in our business activities.
 - (1)Energy and resource saving
 - (2)Green procurement
 - (3)Reduction and separation of waste
4. Create and continuously improve environmental management systems.
To keep improving our environmental performance, we define our environmental objectives, and management programs and review them regularly.
5. Call for cooperation from affiliates and business partners.
Raise environmental awareness among affiliates and business partners so they can conduct business in an eco-friendly manner and join us in protecting the environment.
6. Educate employees on the environment and publicize environmental policy.
Conduct environmental education and awareness activities for employees and publicize environmental policy among the general public.

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Environmental Management Systems



OSAKA HEAD OFFICE

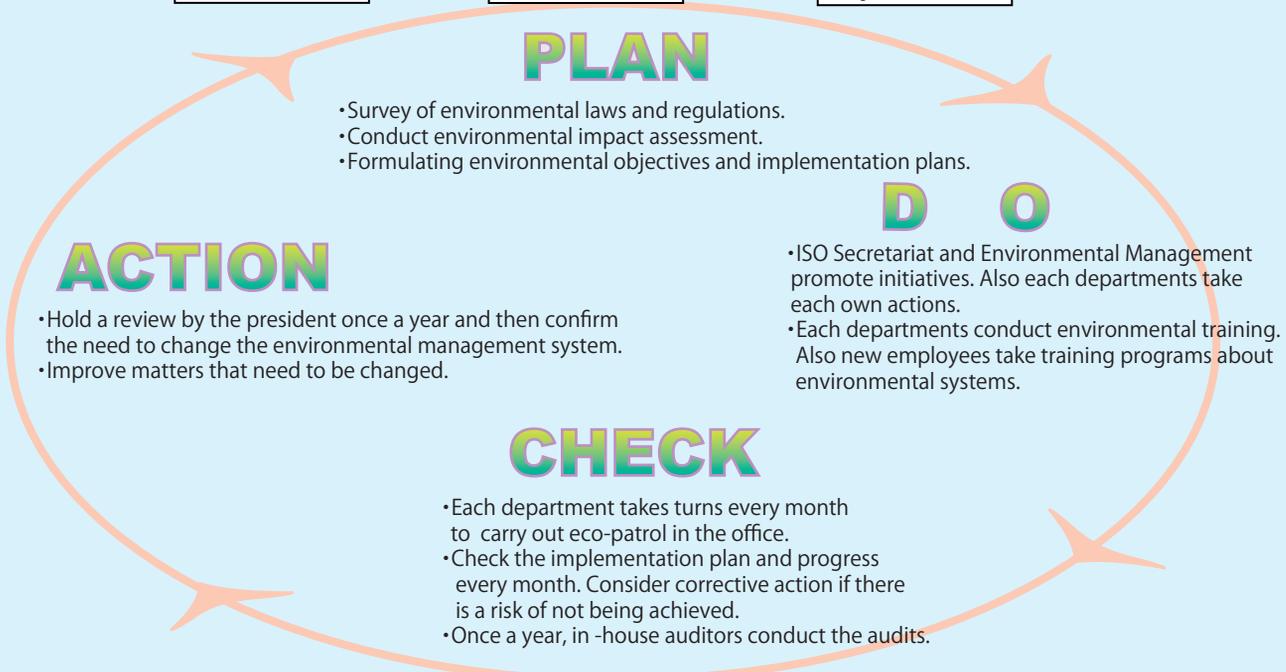
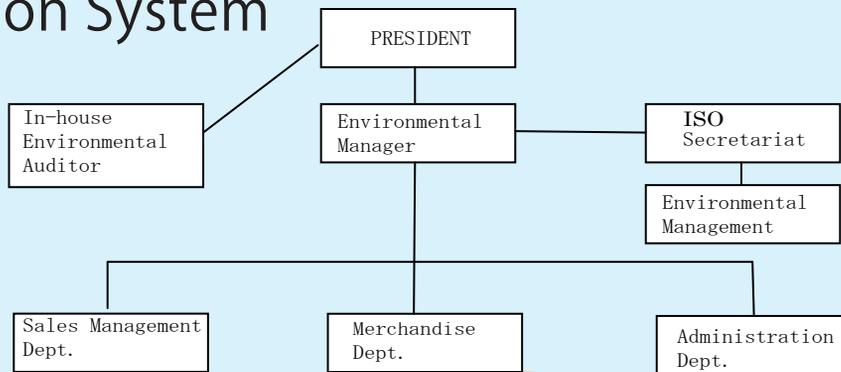
【History】

- 2001 Osaka Head Office certified ISO14001
- 2004 Updated
- 2007 Updated
- 2010 Updated
- 2011 Awarded「10th Consecutive Award」
- 2013 Updated
- 2016 Updated
- 2018 Updated
- 2021 Updated

We are working on continuing the operation of the environmental management system.

Shimada Shoji has certified ISO14001 in March 2001 at Osaka head office. It has been 20 years since then. Every year, we set goals for environmentally businesses. Environmental Management Committee will evaluate and analyze the progress and turn the PDCA cycle to surely achieve the goal. In addition to in-house training, the workshop by an external organization and the Environmental Management Committee strive to raise the awareness of each employee and improve the system by making thorough efforts within the department.

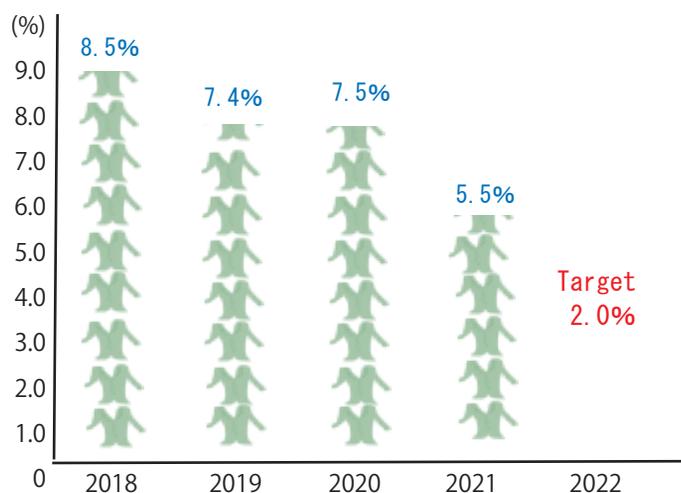
Promotion System



Environmental Initiatives

Sales promotion of environmentally friendly products.

By increasing the sales amount composition ratio of environmentally friendly products in total sales, we aim to proactively work on the development cooperation, proposal, and handling of environmentally friendly products.



What is environmentally friendly products?

- Products that use natural raw materials and can be recycled naturally, and have low environmental impact during production.
- Products that we can help to reduce losses for sewing factories, apparel, and trading companies.

Promote the development, commercialization and purchasing of eco-friendly products.

- With the cooperation of each manufacturer, we are working to collect information and develop products, aiming for commercialization.
- We are working to promote sales by collecting data on the sales results of environmentally friendly products and reviewing the target products.
- We are promoting purchases from suppliers who are engaged in environmentally friendly activities.
- We are enhancing our original environment-friendly products.

Creating eco-friendly products

● Products made from recycled materials

We offer a wide range of merchandise items in the clothing field that use materials recycled from PET bottles, film scraps, and residual cloth, and promote them.

<Products> Buttons, Shoulder pads, Zippers, Waist bands, Pocketing cloths



● Natural circulation system materials

We are promoting to develop polylactic acid fiber (biodegradable synthetic fiber) made from lactic acid obtained from starch such as corn, biodegradable resin made from milk, and products made from natural materials and recycled fibers. Products using these are finally decomposed into carbon dioxide gas and water, which naturally changes. So that, they are environmentally friendly products.

<Products> Buttons, Shoulder pads, Zippers, Waist bands, Pocketing cloths



● Functional materials

Yarn with heat retention effects, products that retain heat by absorbing infrared rays and sunlight emitted from the human body and releasing thermal energy, and more, we have various functional products.

<Products> Lining, pocketing fabric

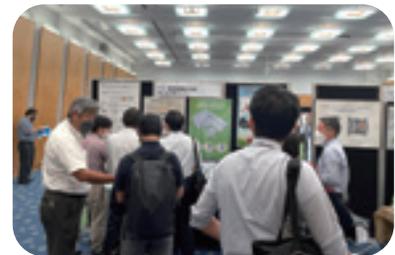


Exhibition

The "SDGs Technology Expo", "International Sustainable Fashion Expo", "New Environmental Exposition", etc., we have participated in various exhibitions specializing in environmental issues. We will continue to do so in the future.



The exhibition will feature "Stone-Sheet" that is moldable calcium carbonate which contributes to CO2 reduction and material recycling products. We will introduce our recommended materials with a focus on "recycled nylon materials. We are very pleased to have this opportunity to introduce our new products.



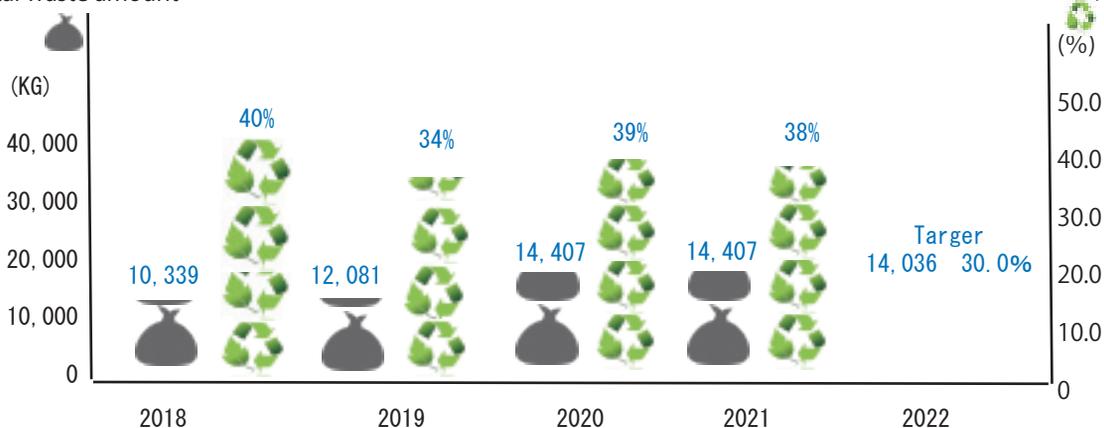
Reduction of waste and promotion of recycling

<Result of 2021>

Initiatives	Environmental target of 2021	Level of achievement
Waste reduction and Promotion of recycling	Garbage discharge :9,822kg Recycling rate 30%	Amount of discharge: 47% increase Recycling rate 38%

Total waste amount

Recycling rate



【Recycling】

● Like paper trash, cardboard, plastic bottles, cans, bottles, paper packs, waste plastic, recycled plastic bag waste and general waste, we thoroughly separate the waste.

【Industrial waste】

● We manage the number of stocks in each department. We are also working together to reduce industrial waste.

● At the time of disposal, we perform thorough sorting and ensure proper disposal.

OEKO-TEX CONFIDENCE IN TEXTILE



What about OEKO-TEX ?

OEKO-TEX International Community (International Testing and Research Institute) sets the standard against the environmental impact and safety to the human body in the production process of textile products.

The certification label can only be attached to products that meet the requirements.

We have auxiliary materials that meet the standards and are friendly to the human body.

Products

OEKO-TEX CLASS II (things that come into direct contact with the skin), things that most of the textiles come into contact with the skin when worn normally

Buttons, Shoulder pads, Zippers, Hooks, Linings

bluesign® system partner

Shimada Shoji has become a bluesign® system partner.

Under the bluesign® system built by the Swiss based bluesign technologies ag, concerned parties are responsible acting to reduce the impact on people and the environment by eliminating substances posing risk and shift towards a resource conserving production.

The bluesign® system enables the participants of the textile supply chain to meet highest requirements and continuously improve their sustainability performance.

Shimada Shoji will continuously promote research and development with high consideration to the natural environment, quality of our products and safety.



Committed to applying the bluesign® system

- Responsibly acting party of the textile supply chain
- Continuously improving the environmental performance
- Focused on a sustainable future

<http://www.bluesign.com/>