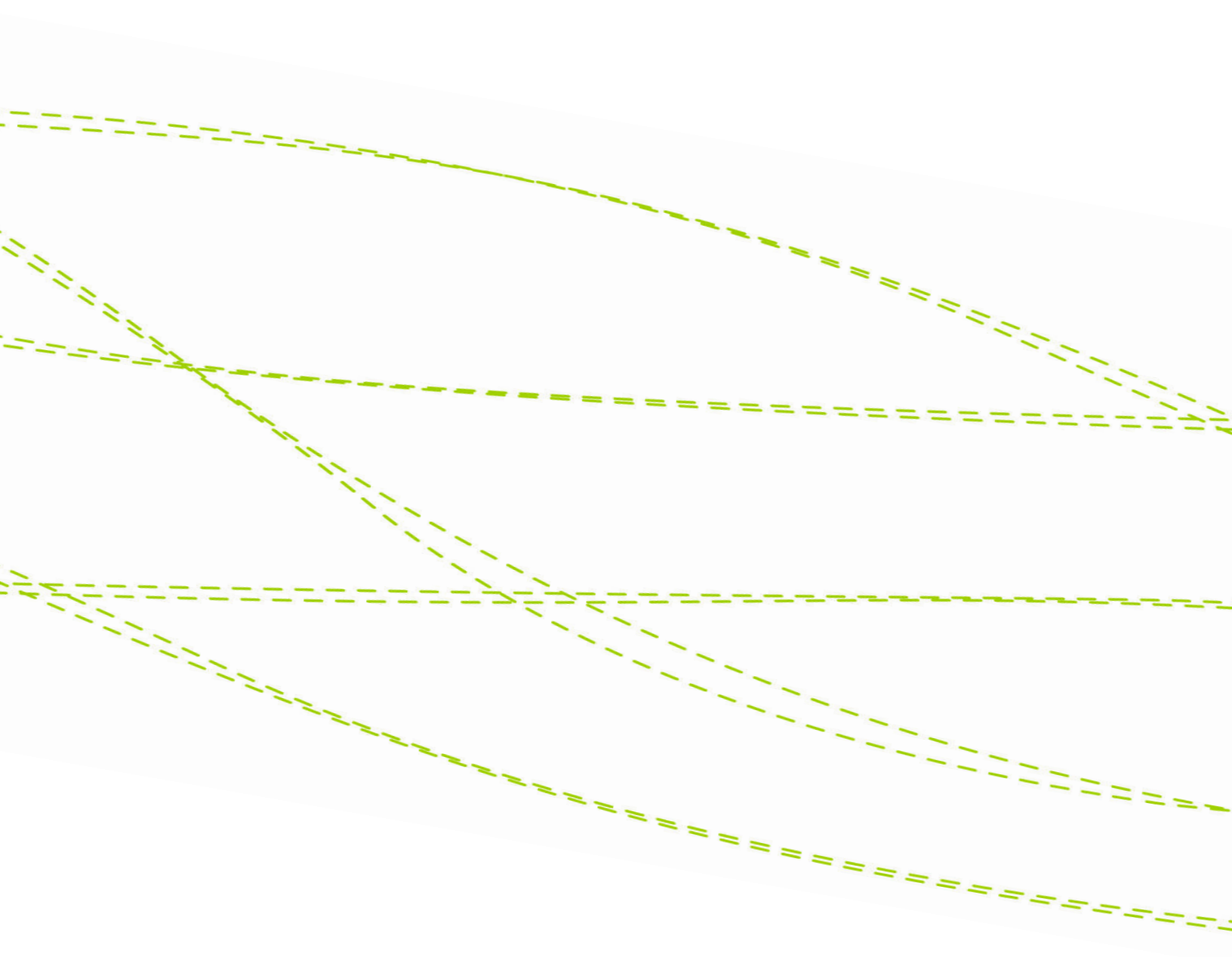




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True Textiles TerraCHECK™ dye and chemical protocol is a science-based process for screening out the dyes and chemicals that are used to produce Terratex® fabric. Although these constitute a small part of the material in the fabric, we recognize they can play a significant role in the environmental, health, and safety profile of the fabric.

TerraCHECK evaluates dyes and chemicals that are used in Terratex fabrics to ensure that only those products that meet the highest standards of human and environmental health are used. Confidential lists of all ingredients are obtained from suppliers, and the ingredients are reviewed to determine whether they are present on internal lists of restricted substances as well as various lists published by state, federal or international governmental agencies, or by non-governmental organizations (NGOs). Ingredients are also evaluated against various human health and environmental endpoints, ranging from carcinogenicity to mutagenicity to environmental persistence and acute aquatic toxicity. Once the ingredients are screened, the product characteristics are also evaluated against most of the same endpoints.

The dyes and chemicals used in the production of Terratex fabrics made from 100% post consumer recycled polyester and PLA (polylactic acid) fibers are the first grouping of products to undergo the TerraCHECK review. It is the goal of True Textiles that all products carrying the Terratex brand will eventually undergo the protocol and be manufactured using only approved chemistry.

TerraCHECK has been peer reviewed to establish that it is constructed on a sound scientific basis. The Lowell Center for Sustainable Production at the University of Massachusetts-Lowell has stated that:

“The Lowell Center for Sustainable Production at the University of Massachusetts-Lowell has provided extensive and technical review of the TerraCHECK Protocol to ensure that it is comprehensive, systematic, scientifically and technically valid.”

As our customer, TerraCHECK can provide assurance that the dyes and chemicals used in Terratex fabrics manufactured by True Textiles are as safe as possible, and the review is based on sound science.

