**TECHNICAL FILE - Textile Products**

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**1.Product Description**

**1.1 Product Type:** Handwoven Tweed Items,

**1.2 Product Type description**

* Clothing such as scarves, neck warmers, shawls, slippers, cloaks, coats, dresses, skirts, waistcoats, ponchos, capes and jewellery crafted from handwoven tweed
* Knitwear: Hand-knitted items like cowls and other accessories, machine knitted jumpers and cardigans
* Homeware: Throws, cushions, glasses cases, books, lampshades and rugs made from tweed and other textiles.

**1.3 Product Specifications**

* Describe the intended use, and the market for which it is designed (e.g., consumer product, products intended solely for children etc). and a detailed description of the materials, sizes and components.
  + **Intended Use;**

Scarves/ neck warmers are not only practical but also a stylish addition to any wardrobe. Here are some of the key uses and benefits of wearing a scarf/ neck warmer:

1. **Warmth**: Scarves provide warmth by wrapping around your neck, making them essential accessories in cold weather.
2. **Fashion**: They come in a variety of colors, patterns, and materials, allowing you to make a fashion statement or add a pop of color to your outfit.
3. **Versatility**: Scarves can be worn in many different ways, such as wrapped, draped, tied in a knot, or even used as a headscarf or belt.
4. **Protection**: They can protect your neck and face from harsh winds, dust, and sun, making them useful in various climates.
5. **Comfort**: A soft, cozy scarf can provide a sense of comfort and snugness, especially on chilly days.

A shawl is a versatile and stylish accessory with many uses and benefits:

1. **Warmth**: Shawls provide an extra layer of warmth, making them perfect for cool evenings or chilly environments.
2. **Fashion**: Available in a variety of fabrics, colors, and patterns, shawls can enhance your outfit and add a touch of elegance or flair.
3. **Versatility**: Shawls can be worn in many different ways—draped over the shoulders, wrapped around the neck, or even used as a headscarf or waist wrap.
4. **Comfort**: They are generally made from soft, cozy materials like wool, cashmere, or cotton, offering a comfortable and snug feel.
5. **Protection**: A shawl can protect you from the sun, wind, or light rain when worn over the head or shoulders.

Slippers are cozy and comfortable footwear typically worn indoors. Here are some key uses and benefits of slippers:

1. **Comfort**: Slippers provide a soft and cushioned feel, making them perfect for lounging around the house and giving your feet a break from hard floors.
2. **Warmth**: They help keep your feet warm, especially during colder months, providing insulation against chilly floors.
3. **Hygiene**: Wearing slippers helps keep your feet clean and protected from dirt and dust that may be on the floor.
4. **Safety**: Slippers with non-slip soles can provide better traction on smooth surfaces, reducing the risk of slipping and falling.

Coats are essential outerwear that serve both functional and fashion purposes. Here are some of the key uses and benefits of wearing a coat:

1. **Warmth**: Coats provide insulation and help retain body heat, making them essential for staying warm in cold weather.
2. **Protection from the Elements**: Coats protect you from wind, rain, snow, and other weather conditions, helping to keep you dry and comfortable.
3. **Layering**: Coats allow for easy layering, giving you the flexibility to add or remove layers as needed to adjust to changing temperatures.
4. **Storage**: Many coats come with pockets, providing convenient storage for small items like keys, phones, and wallets.
5. **Versatility**: Coats come in different types, such as trench coats, puffer jackets, pea coats, and more, each suited for different occasions and weather conditions.
6. **Comfort**: A well-fitted coat can provide comfort and a sense of coziness, especially during colder months.

A poncho/ cloak/ cape is a versatile and practical piece of clothing with many uses and benefits:

1. **Weather Protection**: Ponchos/ capes/ cloaks are excellent for protecting against rain and wind. They are often made from waterproof materials and can be quickly put on in sudden weather changes.
2. **Warmth**: our cloaks are made from thicker materials like wool to provide warmth in cooler climates, acting as an insulating layer.
3. **Ease of Wear**: they are easy to put on and take off, making them a convenient option for layering over other clothing.
4. **Freedom of Movement**: The loose fit of a poncho allows for freedom of movement, making it comfortable to wear for various activities.

Earrings are a popular form of jewelry that can enhance your overall look and express your personal style. Here are some key uses and benefits of wearing earrings:

* **Fashion Statement**: Earrings can make a bold fashion statement and complement your outfit. They come in various styles, from studs to dangly.
* **Self-Expression**: They offer a way to express your personality.
* **Face Framing**: Earrings can frame your face and highlight your features. Different shapes and styles can draw attention to your eyes, cheekbones, or jawline.
* **Versatility**: With a wide range of materials, colors, and designs, earrings can be versatile accessories for any occasion, from casual outings to formal events.
* **Confidence Boost**: Wearing earrings you love can boost your confidence and make you feel more put-together and polished.
* **Gift Option**: Earrings are a thoughtful and timeless gift option for birthdays, anniversaries, or other special occasions.

Necklaces are a beautiful and versatile form of jewelry with many uses and benefits:

1. **Fashion Statement**: Necklaces can be a focal point of your outfit, adding elegance, color, and style. They come in various designs, and materials to suit different occasions and personal preferences.
2. **Self-Expression**: Wearing a necklace can reflect your personality, mood, or even convey a message. From minimalist designs to bold statement pieces, there's a necklace for every style.
3. **Enhancing Features**: Necklaces can draw attention to your neckline and collarbones, accentuating your features. Different lengths can create different visual effects, such as elongating the neck or drawing attention to the chest area.
4. **Layering**: You can layer multiple necklaces of varying lengths and styles to create a unique and personalized look. This adds depth and interest to your outfit.
5. **Versatility**: With options ranging from casual to formal, necklaces can be worn in a variety of settings, whether you're heading to the office, attending a special event, or just going about your daily activities.
6. **Gift Option**: Necklaces make thoughtful and meaningful gifts for birthdays, anniversaries, holidays, or other special occasions.

A rug can add both functionality and style to your living space:

1. **Comfort**: Rugs provide a soft and comfortable surface to walk on, making hard floors more pleasant underfoot.
2. **Warmth**: They add an extra layer of insulation, helping to keep your home warm, especially in colder months.
3. **Noise Reduction**: Rugs help to absorb sound, reducing noise levels and creating a quieter, more serene environment.
4. **Protecting Floors**: They can protect your floors from scratches, stains, and wear, particularly in high-traffic areas.
5. **Safety**: Rugs can help prevent slips and falls by providing a non-slip surface, especially on smooth or slippery floors.
6. **Allergies**: While rugs can collect dust and allergens, regular cleaning and maintenance can help improve air quality by trapping these particles and preventing them from becoming airborne. especially pure wool ones

Jumpers, also known as sweaters, are versatile pieces of clothing, perfect for staying warm and stylish. Here are some common uses and benefits of a jumper:

1. **Warmth**: Jumpers are designed to keep you warm in colder weather. They provide an extra layer of insulation, making them ideal for winter or chilly days.
2. **Comfort**: Made from materials like wool, cotton, or synthetic fibers, jumpers are generally soft and comfortable to wear.
3. **Fashion**: Available in a wide range of colors our jumpers can be a fashionable addition to any wardrobe, suitable for casual or more formal occasions.
4. **Layering**: Jumpers are great for layering. You can wear them over a shirt or under a jacket, allowing for versatile outfit combinations.
5. **Versatility**: They can be worn in various settings, from casual outings to work environments, depending on the design and material.
6. **Easy Maintenance**: Our jumpers are easy to care for as the natural fibers repel dirt and odours making them practical for everyday wear.
7. **Unisex Appeal**: Jumpers are suitable for all genders and ages, making them a universal clothing item.

blanket

Throws/ Blankets are incredibly versatile and can serve many purposes. Here are some key uses and benefits:

1. **Warmth**: Throws provide warmth and insulation, making them perfect for keeping cozy on cold nights.
2. **Comfort**: Throws can offer comfort and a sense of security, which is great for relaxation and sleep.
3. **Décor**: Blankets can add a touch of style to your living space. They come in various colors, patterns, and materials to match any decor.
4. **Travel Companion**: A lightweight throw can be handy for travel, providing comfort on long journeys, whether by car, plane, or train.
5. **Outdoor Use**: Perfect for picnics, camping, or outdoor events, throws can provide a comfortable spot to sit or lie down.
6. **Versatility**: throws can be used as an extra layer on top of your duvet during very cold weather.

Lampshades are a versatile accessory with several practical and aesthetic uses:

1. **Diffuse Light**: Lampshades help diffuse light from a bulb, providing a softer, more even glow that reduces glare and creates a warm, inviting ambiance.
2. **Enhance Décor**: They come in various styles and colors, allowing you to add a touch of personality and enhance the overall décor of a room.
3. **Reduce Eye Strain**: By softening the brightness of a bulb, lampshades can help reduce eye strain, making it more comfortable to read, work, or relax in the light.
4. **Conceal Bulbs**: They hide the bare bulbs, making lamps more aesthetically pleasing and reducing the risk of direct exposure to intense light.
5. **Protect Bulbs**: A sturdy lampshade can provide some level of protection for the bulb, shielding it from accidental bumps or knocks.
6. **Customize Ambiance**: Different lampshade materials and colors can affect the ambiance, creating different moods. For example our fabric shades can provide a cozy, warm light

Notebooks are a staple in many people's daily lives:

* **Taking Notes**: Perfect for jotting down information during meetings, lectures, or while reading.
* **Journaling**: A great tool for keeping a personal diary, reflecting on daily experiences, and expressing thoughts and emotions.
* **Planning and Organizing**: Use it to create to-do lists, plan projects, or keep track of appointments and deadlines.
* **Creative Writing**: Ideal for writing stories, poetry, or brainstorming ideas for your next big project.
* **Sketching and Drawing**: Many artists use notebooks for quick sketches or detailed drawings.
* **Budgeting**: Keep track of expenses, plan your budget, and monitor financial goals.
* **Learning and Studying**: Useful for summarizing textbook information, creating study guides, and practicing problems.
* **Recipe Collection**: Compile your favorite recipes in one place for easy reference.
* **Travel Log**: Document your travels, keeping notes on places visited, experiences, and memorable moments.

Wall hangings are a fantastic way to add character and charm to your living space:

1. **Aesthetic Appeal**: Wall hangings can significantly enhance the visual appeal of a room by adding color, texture, and artistic elements.
2. **Personal Expression**: They offer a way to express your personal style and taste
3. **Focal Point**: My wall hangings serve as a focal point in a room, drawing attention and adding interest to an otherwise plain wall.
4. **Space Definition**: They can help define different areas within a room, such as creating a cozy reading nook or a visually distinct dining area.
5. **Sound Absorption**: Fabric wall hangings can help reduce noise by absorbing sound, contributing to a quieter and more peaceful environment.

Glasses cases are essential for protecting and storing your eyewear:

1. **Protection from Damage**: They shield your glasses from scratches, dust, and impact, keeping the lenses and frames in good condition.
2. **Convenience**: They provide a designated place to store your glasses, reducing the chances of losing or misplacing them.
3. **Portability**: A good case makes it easy to carry your glasses with you without worrying about them getting damaged in your bag or pocket.
4. **Hygiene**: They help keep your glasses clean by preventing exposure to dirt and grime when not in use.
   * **Market which it is designed to** (e.g., consumer product, products intended solely for children etc)
   * aimed at adults from around age 18 onwards
   * **A general overview of materials;**
   * outer handwoven pure wool tweed, if lined, lining is either cotton, cotton blend or satin. Fastenings are mostly handcrafted ceramic or glass buttons but other natural materials are also used such as shell, stone, wood or antler
   * knitwear is from pure wool yarn
   * lampshades are made using a kit of a CE certified former and metal rings with a tweed outer and cotton inner
   * **Scope of sizes** (example: XS-XXL)
   * almost all free-size, waistcoats, coats, skirts and dresses are made to order specifically to the individual customers requirements

**1.4 SKUs within the Product Type**

·   [List applicable SKUs within Product Type.](https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1KV0dVW3r330h377KSDZ_s2ysdP1Fzvk38Vz9dhCxrNE/edit?usp=drive_link)

**2. Design and Manufacturing Information**

**2.1 Bill of Materials (BOM)**

* **List components and textiles and other materials used in the manufacturing of the product type**. Work with the producer(s) if you are not the one, they should have the information readily available.
* pure wool yarn sourced from two mills - The Border Mill Unit 3 Duns Industrial Estate, Station Road, Duns TD11 3HS and Knoll yarns Lt, 1 wells road, Ilkley, West Yorkshire, LS29 9JB
* Linings sourced from two main suppliers; Blythe and Bonnie, Blythbank, Station Road, TD11 3EJ and Oddies Textiles, Unit 3, Bank House, Greenfield Road, Colne, Lancashire, BB8 9NL
* Linings are either 100% cotton, poly-cotton or satin
* Slipper linings are 100% sheepskin from the UK
* lampshade linings sourced from Dannells, MD House, Abbey Mead Industrial Park, Brooker Road, Waltham Abbey, EN9 1HU
* bottle lamp adaptors sourced from Dencon Accessories Ltd, Lyden House, South Road, CM20 2BS

**2.2 Manufacturing Process**

* **A general description of the manufacturing process.** Work with the producer(s) if you are not the one, they should have the information readily available. Generally, the bigger the risk with the product the more extensive the description.
* The tweed is woven from the pure wool yarn on our 85 year old hattersley loom which is peddle powered. the tweed is then sent to Schofields Dyers and Finishers, Gala Mill, Huddersfield Street, Galasheils, TD1 3AY for washing and drying
* Once back from the mill I hand cut the tweed and sew the vast majority of the items myself using my own patterns. I sew everything on my domestic sewing machine and hand stitch to finish.
* Some items we have made for us as detailed in the SKU list. The books are made using tweed I cut myself then fixed to a board, and to a book block. The glasses cases are board covered in our tweed and lined with faux suede. The slippers are made in the UK using uk sheepskin suede, and plastic soles, hand sewn and finished with our tweed.

**3. Risk Assessment**

* I**dentify potential hazards (mechanical, chemical, hazards related to the special use or use by children) associated with your product and assess the corresponding risks.** Be prepared to provide detailed information like Risk Mitigation Measurements may if requested.
* **Accidental Strangulation**: This is a rare but serious risk, especially for children. Scarves/shawls can get caught in playground equipment, escalators, or other machinery.
* **Fire Hazard**: Loose scarves/shawls, coat hems or sleeves, skirts and other textiles can accidentally come into contact with open flames or hot surfaces.
* **Tripping and Falling**: Long scarves/ skirts/ coats/ shawls can cause tripping if not carefully managed.
* **Choking Hazard**: For infants and small children, scarf/ shawl fringes, coat/ neck warmer buttons can pose a choking risk.
* **Heat Exhaustion**: In warmer climates, wearing a scarf/shawl or coat can lead to overheating and discomfort.
* **Skin Irritation**: Some materials may cause itchiness or allergic reactions.
* **Entanglement**: fabrics can get caught in doors, car seatbelts, or bicycle wheels.
* **Restricted Movement**: Depending on how they are worn, shawls/coats/skirts can restrict movement and make certain activities difficult.
* **Suffocation Risk**: For infants and small children, loose blankets or shawls can pose a risk of suffocation. It's recommended to use safe sleep practices, such as sleep sacks or wearable blankets, for babies.
* **Tripping Hazard**: A blanket left on the floor or hanging off furniture can be a tripping hazard. Poorly positioned rugs can also cause trips especially for older adults or individuals with mobility issues. Ensure items are placed in a safe position where they do not pose a risk
* **Dust Mites and Allergens**: Blankets and rugs can accumulate dust mites, pet dander, and other allergens if not cleaned regularly. This can worsen allergies or asthma symptoms. We would recommend regular airing/ handwashing of our products
* **Fire Hazard**: If a lampshade is too close to a hot light bulb, it can pose a fire risk. Always ensure there's sufficient space between the bulb and the shade, and use the correct wattage.
* **Stability Issues**: A lampshade that’s not securely attached can wobble or fall off, potentially causing the lamp to tip over. Ensure all shades are fitted correctly and the base is stable
* **Cleaning Chemicals**: Using harsh cleaning chemicals on certain materials can damage the lampshade or create toxic fumes. we provide care advice for all our products and would never recommend any chemical cleaning methods
* **Paper Cuts**: The edges of notebook pages can cause painful paper cuts if handled carelessly. Use with care.
* **Allergies**: Some people might be allergic to the materials used in the paper, ink, or binding of a notebook, causing skin irritation or respiratory issues. Immediately stop using it if you notice any irritation and inform us.
* **Fire Hazard**: Notebooks are made of paper, which is flammable. Keep them away from open flames and high heat sources to prevent fire risks.

Mitigation: my products are not intended for children, I would not recommend wearing them while operating machinery. Always make sure your clothing is securely fastened and not too long to avoid these potential hazards. The yarn/ fabric content of all products is clearly displayed on the order page so people with skin irritations can decide if it could cause an issue. Ensuring the correct fit/ length reduces risks and only wearing for appropriate activities e.g. do not drive while wearing a shawl if it restricts arm movement

Jewellery can be stylish and fun, but they do come with some potential hazards. Here are a few to be aware of:

1. **Allergic Reactions**: Nickel is a common allergen found in many earrings. Allergic reactions can cause itching, redness, swelling, and even blisters. Our earrings and other jewellery findings are 925 sterling silver or silver plated and nickel, cadmium and lead free
2. **Physical Trauma**: Earrings can get caught on clothing, hair, or other objects, causing pain or even tearing of the earlobe. Take care when wearing earrings that they do not catch on scarves, hair or other loose items
3. **Embedded Earrings**: Heavy or improperly fitted earrings can cause the piercing to migrate, leading to the earring becoming embedded in the skin. Ensure you only wear earrings that are a comfortable weight for your ears
4. **Toxic Substances**: Some jewellery may contain harmful substances like lead or cadmium, which can be toxic if they come into contact with your skin or if ingested. We only use sterling silver or silver plated jewellery findings which do not contain any toxic substances
5. **Choking risk:** small children and babies could choke on small parts, ensure children and babies do not have access to jewellery. Buttons should be sewn on securely so they do not come off and pose a choking risk. Buttons should be stored out of the reach of children

**4. Compliance with Relevant Standards and Regulations**

**4.1 List of Applicable EU Regulations and Directives**

* List all EU regulations and directives that apply to your product. This includes the GPSR (EU) 2023/988 and any other relevant regulations (like the Textile Regulation or REACH directive). If your textiles comply with these regulations, you don't need to attach compliance documents unless requested.  
  **Example: General Product Safety Regulation (GPSR) 2023/988**
* **General Product Safety Regulation (GPSR) 2023/988**
* **REACH Regulation (Chemical Safety) 1907/2006**
* **Textile Labeling Regulation 1007/2011**

**4.2 List of Harmonised Standards**

* **Provide a list of harmonised European standards** (EN standards) that the product complies with.
* the lampshade kits comply with
* Restriction of Hazardous Substances (RoHS) Directive 2011/65/EU
* FB-60587/ 60585/ 60576 do not contain, in a concentration above 0.1% (w/w), any of the substances included on the candidate list (ed.: 07/07/2017), set out according to article 59 (1,10) of the REACH – regulation
* Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment (WEEE) Directive 2012/19/EU
* the bottle lamp adaptors comply with CE BSEN 60598-2-4 / BSEN 60598-1

**5. Testing**

**5.1. List of tests performed for your products and applicable EU or other applicable testing standards**

* **List valid tests from accredited laboratories that verify the product’s compliance with applicable safety standards with reference to standards used for testing.**Work with the producer/supplier, they should have the information readily available. Take into account the Product Type, some product types require more details than others. Generally the bigger the risk the more extensive the description. If asked, you may have to provide the actual test reports
* yarn tested by
* cotton tested by
* dye tested by
* tweed washing chemicals conform to standard
* the lampshade kits comply with
* Restriction of Hazardous Substances (RoHS) Directive 2011/65/EU
* FB-60587/ 60585/ 60576 do not contain, in a concentration above 0.1% (w/w), any of the substances included on the candidate list (ed.: 07/07/2017), set out according to article 59 (1,10) of the REACH – regulation
* Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment (WEEE) Directive 2012/19/EU
* the bottle lamp adaptors comply with CE BSEN 60598-2-4 / BSEN 60598-1

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**6. Product manual, safety, Labelling and Marking**

**6.1 Product Labelling**

* **Describe the information included on product labels, such as safety warnings, care instructions, and sizing.** You don't need to list the exact instructions, sizes or warnings, just what kind of information is there. Be prepared to provide an actual copy of a label on request. Ensure that your labelling complies with applicable EU regulations, particularly regarding traceability and safety information.
* each product is supplied with a care instructions leaflet detailing how to wash and look after the product
* each product is supplied with business details inside the packaging
* lamps are provided with electrical safety certification

**7. Supplier and Subcontractor Information**

**7.1 Supplier Details**

* **Provide the names and addresses of main suppliers and subcontractors involved in the manufacturing process of the product type.** You may be requested to provide further details on the supply chain and quality control measures implemented in the supply chain on request
* The Border Mill Unit 3 Duns Industrial Estate, Station Road, Duns TD11 3HS
* Knoll yarns Lt, 1 wells road, Ilkley, West Yorkshire, LS29 9JB
* Schofields Dyers and Finishers, Gala Mill, Huddersfield Street, Galasheils, TD1 3AY
* Dane Crafts, Havyatt Farm, Havyatt, Glastonbury, Somerset, BA6 8LF, England
* Kapdaa Unit 13, Kingsmill Business Park, Kingston upon Thames, KT1 3GZ, United Kingdom
* Aran Woolen Mills, Unit 9 Westport industrial park, Newport rd, Westport County Mayo F28 DN26
* Blythe and Bonnie, Blythbank, Station Road, TD11 3EJ
* Oddies Textiles, Unit 3, Bank House, Greenfield Road, Colne, Lancashire, BB8 9NL
* Dencon Accessories Ltd, Lyden House, South Road, CM20 2BS

**8. This document management procedure**

**8.1 Review and update**

This document is regularly reviewed, and it is to be updated if any information contained herein is changed/updated.

**8.2 Document Version Control**

All versions of the technical file are maintained, and document control procedures are in place to ensure the file is always up-to-date.