

Handling of perfluorooctanoic acid (PFOA)

Perfluorooctanoic acid (PFOA) imparts water-, oil-, and dirt-repellent properties to surfaces and has therefore been widely used, for example in the treatment of textiles and the finishing of paper. However, PFOA does not degrade in the environment and has already spread across the globe. It is toxic to humans and is known to impair reproduction. As a result, the use of PFOA has been banned in the European Union since 2020 (for more information, please refer to [EUR-Lex](#)).

Regarding the use of Perfluorooctanoic Acid (PFOA), we declare the following:

The Groth & Hermanns group confirms that, as part of its sustainability strategy, it has obtained confirmation from its suppliers regarding the non-use of PFOA. All products refined with base chemicals, textile auxiliaries, and dyes are free from PFOA. Nevertheless, technically unavoidable trace impurities cannot be entirely ruled out. However, any such traces remain well below the maximum permissible concentrations.

If you have any questions on this topic, please contact us at: info@liningcompany.de

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