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A hallmark of the Target brand is treating everyone with respect, from the guests who shop with us, to the team members who bring the brand to life, to the shareholders who support us and to the communities where we do business. That dedication to respect is demonstrated by behaving with integrity, which is essential to our business.

And as we tell our own team members, our commitment to doing business ethically and legally means that we’ll work only with vendors and suppliers who share the same commitment.

Because we place such a high priority on ethical and legal conduct, we require all of our merchandise vendors to read, understand and comply with our Standards of Vendor Engagement and all other conditions of doing business with Target. Additionally, we expect our vendors to ensure all of their factories understand and comply with these expectations. Failure to conduct business in a manner that meets these standards could result in a termination of the vendor relationship with Target.

No code can cover all policies or laws, so if you have questions about any of the information in this code, or what is expected of you, please email Integrity@Target.com.

In addition, if you suspect unethical or illegal business practices, it is your responsibility to report them using the resources outlined on page nine of this code.

Thank you for your commitment to upholding our high standards of conduct. Together, we can maintain Target’s strong reputation for excellence.
Standards of Vendor Engagement

Target is committed to responsible business conduct. Respect for human rights, environmental stewardship and animal welfare are fundamental principles of our business practices and standards. We expect our suppliers to share those principles and uphold our standards. Suppliers must also comply with Target’s Ethics Policy, conduct their business with a high level of integrity and maintain transparent and accurate records. Please refer to Target’s Applying the Standards of Vendor Engagement document for additional information pertaining to each standard, including the applicability of local laws and international conventions as well as implementation expectations.
Standards of Vendor Engagement

We require all vendors, suppliers, manufacturers, contractors, subcontractors and their agents (collectively, “suppliers”) to abide by the following standards:

No Forced Labor or Human Trafficking
We condemn forced labor and human trafficking and will not knowingly work with suppliers who engage in these practices. All workers have the right to engage in work willfully, without surrendering identification and without the payment of fees. Workers have the right to freedom of movement and our suppliers must ensure it is afforded to them. Suppliers must also procure their raw materials and/or components for Target products solely from sources that do not utilize forced labor or engage in human trafficking.

No Underage Labor
We do not tolerate the use of underage labor and will not knowingly work with suppliers that utilize underage workers. We define underage workers as any individual younger than the legal minimum working age or the age of 15, whichever older, and/or those not abiding by the international standards as defined by the International Labor Organization (ILO) regarding age appropriate work governing family farming. Suppliers must comply with all age-related working restrictions as set by local law and adhere to international standards as defined by the International Labor Organization (ILO) regarding age appropriate work.

Health and Safety
Suppliers must provide a safe and healthy working environment that complies with local laws and minimizes occupational hazards. If suppliers provide residential facilities for their workers, they must be safe and sanitary.

No Discrimination
We respect cultural and individual differences, and believe discrimination should not be tolerated. Suppliers are expected to maintain a discrimination-free workplace and to employ legally-eligible workers based upon their abilities, rather than their race, color, sex, pregnancy status, gender identity, marital status, political opinions, religion, age, disability, sexual orientation, social origin, national origin or any other characteristics unrelated to an individual’s ability to perform the work required by the job.

No Harassment
We believe that all workers should be treated with dignity. Suppliers must not engage in, condone, or tolerate physical, verbal, mental or sexual harassment against or among their workers.

Working Hours and Overtime
Suppliers must not allow working hours that exceed the applicable legal limit, or 60 hours per week, whichever is less. Regularly paid hours must not exceed 48 per week and overtime hours must not exceed 12 hours per week or the amount specified by local law, whichever is less. Only in exceptional cases, may working hours exceed 60 per week and only in the exceptional circumstances described within Applying the Standards of Vendor Engagement. Overtime work must always be voluntary and paid at a premium rate. Workers must have at least 1 full non-working day in every 7-day period.

Wages
Suppliers must provide wages and benefits that meet or exceed local law requirements and are paid/provided in a timely manner. We encourage suppliers to commit to the betterment of wages and benefits to improve the lives of workers and their families in the communities where they live.

Freedom of Association
We seek suppliers who productively engage workers and value them as critical assets to sustainable business success. This includes respecting the rights of workers to make an informed decision as to whether to associate or not with any group, consistent with all applicable laws.

Animal Welfare
We believe in the humane treatment of animals and expect suppliers engage in practices that promote the welfare of animals. This includes providing an environment that is free from distress, cruelty, abuse, and neglect and that is consistent with all applicable laws and industry guidelines.

No Bribery
We seek business partners who aspire to the highest ethical standards in their business practices and their interactions with Target. Target does not allow any exchange of favors, money, or gifts with our team members with the intent to influence business decisions. As with the other standards outlined herewith, Target Team Members are held to the same standards and are strictly prohibited from engaging in solicitation of anything of value from business partners.

Report Misconduct: If you encounter what you believe to be a potential violation of local laws or regulations, Target’s Standards of Vendor Engagement, or unethical behavior, you may confidentially report your concerns to Target by emailing integrity@target.com. Retaliation of any kind against an individual who reports concerns in good faith violates Target’s principles and will not be tolerated. Additional information can be found on page 9 of this guide.
We rely on vendor partners to ensure that all products sold to Target comply with all applicable laws, regulations, and standards, including the laws that regulate global trade such as laws governing country of origin, importation, customs entry, export, licensing and sale of imported merchandise. Vendors must ensure that all product markings and documentation are true and accurate and that appropriate records are maintained to validate information provided on all documents.

We work with our business partners to strengthen the international supply chain by operating in compliance with our global security criteria, including the U.S. Customs Trade Partnership Against Terrorism (C-TPAT) and Canada Customs Partners in Protection (PIP) guidelines. We expect our vendor partners to be familiar with these guidelines and to use the forms available on Partners Online.

For more information about Business Integrity expectations, read the U.S. Customs C-TPAT and Canada Customs PIP guidelines and visit Partners Online to access the following forms: customs compliance, import classification, and import shipping.
Guests count on Target for well-designed, high-quality products at a great value. They also trust us to sell safe and compliant products. We expect our vendors to help us meet that commitment by following our Conditions of Conduct and our Product Safety and Quality Assurance Process.

Our Conditions of Contract require that our vendors guarantee that all goods sold to Target are made in compliance with all applicable laws, and that all manufacturers and subcontractors also comply with the law.

For Target brand products, we expect all vendors – or factories producing product on behalf of vendors – to comply with our Product Safety and Quality Assurance process.

Unethical Conduct
Product Safety and Quality Assurance (PSQA) processes are not only business requirements, but help ensure product is safe and in compliance with the law. Target’s expectation is that no vendor, or factories producing product on behalf of the vendor, will attempt to circumvent Target’s PSQA process through unethical conduct.

For more information, read our Ethical Quality Assurance Behavior Statement.
Conflicts of Interest

Target team members are required to avoid not only conflicts of interest but activities that could give the appearance that a vendor has improperly influenced a team member in order to receive favorable treatment.

Vendors are required to avoid actions that may result in conflicts of interest, which include offering, providing or reimbursing personal gifts, favors, personal travel expenses, lodging or other housing, services of any kind, excessive meals or entertainment, or any other thing of value to Target team members with the intent to influence business decisions.

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Compliance with Anti-Corruption Laws

Vendors are required to comply with all applicable anti-corruption laws including, but not limited to, the U.S. Foreign Corrupt Practices Act. Under no circumstances may a vendor working for Target offer, promise or provide anything of value directly or indirectly to a government official for the purpose of exerting improper influence or to obtain or retain an improper benefit or advantage.

All invoices submitted to Target for payment or reimbursement require accurate and adequate supporting documentation and may not mischaracterize or disguise any transaction or expenditure.

For more information, see the U.S. Foreign Corrupt Practices Act.

Vendors are required to complete our due diligence review process prior to representing Target before any government official. Additionally, if a vendor hires a third party to work on a project that requires interaction with a government official on behalf of Target, the vendor must closely monitor the actions of the third party to ensure compliance with anti-corruption laws.
We know that our vendors can be even better partners when we share the right information. When we trust vendors with confidential information, we expect them to protect it just as carefully as we would.

We expect our vendors to comply with applicable security and privacy laws, regulations and retention requirements, and to ensure that they have appropriate technical and security controls in place to protect our confidential information.

Confidential information means all non-public Target data, including: business plans, retail pricing strategies, marketing plans, team member personal information, guest personal information and intellectual property. Vendors may not outsource, disclose, share or use this information outside the requirements defined in their contractual or non-disclosure agreement with Target. Unauthorized disclosures could harm Target, breach the vendor conduct contract or even be illegal.
Simply put, we expect our vendors to follow the law and the information in this code and to promptly report any actual or suspected violations, including violations by any team member or individual acting on behalf of Target or one of our vendors.

How to Report

- Call the Integrity Hotline at 1-800-541-6838
  (Outside the U.S. and Canada: 470-219-7116)
- Send an email to Integrity@Target.com
- Write to: Target Corporation
  33 South Sixth Street
  Minneapolis, MN 55402 USA
  Attention: Corporate Compliance and Ethics Team

You may choose to remain anonymous if you call the Integrity Hotline. All reported violations that include specific information will be investigated and appropriate action will be taken.