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PFAS Free Statement

Over the last several years, attention to a category of chemical substances called Per- and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances (PFAS) has significantly increased. The major focus of concern has been contaminated drinking water, but its reach has broadened to cover their abundant presence in a variety of consumer products, including performance fabrics.

Also referred to as Fluorocarbons, PFAS are a group of man-made chemicals characterized by a strong bond between fluorine and carbon. Their potency comes from the exceptional strength of the carbon-fluorine bond which, consequently, are known as "forever chemicals" because they don't break down easily in the environment.

The exact degree of the risk posed to humans by PFAS and whether the various types are harmful are still not fully understood, but some scientific studies have indicated a possible connection between PFAS presence in the environment and harmful health effects on both humans and animals.

Currently, 35 states are trying to decrease the utilization of PFAS, focusing on issues like drinking water, food containers, children's clothes, and juvenile products. However, four states - California, Maine, Massachusetts, and Minnesota – have current legislation related to the use of PFAS in furniture and upholstery textiles with more states introducing legislation at a rapid pace.

Beginning in October 2022, our goal was to transition to a complete PFAS free product line by 2025. We are proud to announce as of August 1st, 2024, all Paul Brayton Designs fabrics are 100% PFAS Free. We are proud to announce that we have accomplished our goal, and we are dedicated to proactively remain ahead of the ever-changing PFAS requirements. Paul Brayton Designs has maintained a commitment to deliver superior, high performance products with sustainability and the environment at the forefront of our focus.

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