

SPECIFICATION SHEET

Fabric Waistband And Packaging Options

The three specification decisions that drive cost, lead time and hand feel on every block in the catalogue. Colour is always approved on physical lab dips, fabric swatches and print strike offs, never on a screen.

Fabric Compositions

Composition	Character and typical use
95% cotton / 5% spandex	The default for briefs, trunks and boxer briefs. Soft hand feel, good recovery, easy to print and dye.
95% modal / 5% spandex	Cooler and more fluid than cotton. Popular for womens panties and premium mens ranges.
95% bamboo / 5% spandex	Marketed as a sustainable option with a very smooth surface and good moisture handling.
90% nylon / 10% spandex	Higher stretch and recovery. Used for seamless bonded styles and sport ranges.
95% polyester / 5% spandex	The base for sublimation printing, which needs a polyester rich surface to hold the ink.
Merino wool blends	Available for bra and base layer programmes where thermal performance is required.

Print method determines fabric, not the other way around. Sublimation ink bonds to polyester and will not bond to cotton, so an all over print style runs on a polyester rich base and a cotton rich style uses screen or digital placement print.

Waistband Technics

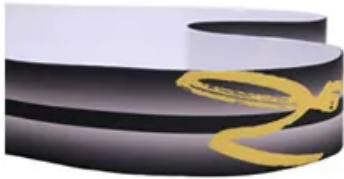
Technic	How it is made	Best for
Jacquard	Brand name or pattern woven into the elastic during manufacture	Brand programmes. Cannot crack, peel or wash off
Printed	Artwork printed onto a finished elastic band	Multi colour artwork, seasonal stories, lower setup
Coated	Coated finish applied to the band surface	Smooth technical look on sport and premium styles
Embroidered	Embroidery worked onto the band	Texture and depth on womens and premium ranges
Covered elastic	Elastic encased in the body fabric	Where no visible band is wanted
Fold over elastic	Folded over the raw edge	Womens panties and childrenswear



Jacquard Waistband



Printed Waistband



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Coated Waistband



Elastic



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Waistband options produced through the partner base.

Packaging Formats

Format	Where it is used
Printed paper box	Gift, premium and occasion product
Paper card with hanger hook	Supermarket and chain retail peg display
Polybag	E-commerce, wholesale and bulk shipment
Header card and belly band	Shelf display and multipacks
Multi pack sleeve	Volume retail programmes, two three or five packs

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