

USER GUIDE FOR SUSTAINABLE GEAR

From dream to reality... with a little less gear.

Fewer clothes mean **less waste**, **less production**, and **more points**.

You can make a statement, rock the Games, and reduce your impact all at once.

Thrift finds, personal pieces, creative ideas; the OC trusts you to make style and sustainability rhyme.

Things to Consider for a Responsible Purchase:

- **Actual Use:** Will the item really be used? Will you wear it again or toss it after the Games?
- **Materials:** Choose organic cotton, recycled fibers, or sustainable alternatives to plastic.
- **Quality & Durability:** Will the item last over time, or will it wear out or break quickly?
- **Origin:** Where do the materials come from? What is their carbon footprint?
- **Ethical Production:** Were the working conditions respectful of human rights?
- **Aesthetic:** Is the design something you'll want to wear again? Is it stylish, neutral, or adaptable to other occasions?
- **Certifications**: Does the product have recognized labels (e.g., Fair Trade, GOTS, B Corp, etc.)?

Recommended links to purchase items				Links to Avoid When Buying Gear
Kotmo	4imprint CANADA	LA Sport	Ethica	SportsGearSwag
Alterna Éco-solutions	MAD Distributions	CostalReign	S&S Activewear	Alibaba
Whelk	DesignUnik	Boutique Plan de Match	PEP Concept	Aliexpress
C'est beau	Schumannergy.	Tshirt Time		HighSpark
Jameo	MNMSports	Sportira		



How to earn points?	
Item quantity	Number of points
Over 20 items	0 point
16 - 20 items	2 points
11-15 items	3 points
6-10 items	4 points
1-5 items	5 points

An Excel spreadsheet will be sent to you to fill out the various information regarding your items.

Be sure to complete it before December 31, 2025.

For any questions, contact the Social Awareness Team!

Criteria	Description	Yes	Partially
Is the item “Pre-worn”? *If you answered yes, you do not have to fill the remaining sections.	A “pre-worn” item is not new: it’s something you already owned, got from a friend, or bought secondhand (e.g., thrifted).	6 points	
Is it a recurring item?	One point is attributed if a recurring item is reused from one edition to another (e.g., a coat). If the item is used every year but only has to be purchased for new members who do not have it yet, it gets 0.5 points. However, if the item is custom-made for this edition of the Engineering Games, no points are awarded.	1 point	0,5 point
Are the materials locally sourced (North America)?	In this context, locally sourced means from North America. If the material is locally sourced (1 pt), it will usually be explicitly mentioned. If it’s not mentioned, we assume the material is not locally sourced (0 pt). For half a point (0.5 pt), it is possible for some portion of the materials to be locally sourced.	1 point	0,5 point
Are the materials eco-friendly?	If the item is made entirely from eco-friendly materials, it earns 1 point. If it contains some eco-friendly components, it gets 0.5 points. If no eco-friendly materials are used, no points are awarded.	1 point	0,5 point
Is the item locally made (North America)?	An item is condiered locally made (1pt) if it was designed and assembled in North America, with most production steps completed locally.	1 point	0,5 point
Does the item have certifications?	An item is considered certified if it meets environmental and social standards verified by an independent organization (e.g., Fair Trade, GOTS, OEKO-TEX, B Corp, CarbonNeutral, etc.). By providing a link to the item, the organizing committee will be able to verify the presence of these certifications. If confirmed, 1 point will be awarded.	1 point	0,5 point