

Policy on animal derived ingredients

The Body Shop International is committed to ensure that its products do not pose a threat to animal welfare. We are also committed to providing our customers with products which are suitable for use by vegetarians. In some products we do use animal derived ingredients which are acceptable to vegetarians, such as beeswax, shellac or lanolin, and we only source these ingredients from producers who are well-known to us.

Our commitment:

- To meet the requirements and needs of our vegetarian customers, we will never use ingredients which cause, or are by-products of, the death of an animal
- To ensure that our practices meet the highest standards we will benchmark our definition of vegetarian-friendly products against those of the leading animal rights and vegetarian groups
- To provide all our customers with a clear choice, we will provide transparent information on the ingredients we use and provide guidance to our vegan customers on suitable product choices

We use only a limited number of animal derived ingredients. These are suitable for vegetarians, but not for vegans. Due to European legislation, we need to use Latin names to identify some ingredients, but to provide customers with a choice, the following list will help identify animal derived ingredients on our product labels

- Honey – may be identified on labels as Mel
- Beeswax – may be identified on labels as Cera Alba
- Lanolin
- Shellac