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How Express Uniform ensures the overall cost of school uniform is reasonable and secures the best value for money for parents.

We give the highest priority to cost and overall value for money (including the quality and durability of the uniform).

Express Uniform endeavours to comply to high standards of ethical trading. Our garments are responsibly sourced from well-established, fully audited, and compliant factories.

Our core suppliers are members of SEDEX (Supplier Ethical Data Exchange) and we endeavour to ensure all our suppliers are compliant with all local standards and laws of their country.

All garment testing is carried out to the following ISO standards:

- -Colourfastness to washing/dry cleaning
- -Colourfastness to rubbing (wet/dry)
- -Colourfastness to light
- -Stability to washing
- -Pilling

When sourcing products we consider the whole cost rather than lowest price. Yarns and fabrics that are used in production are eco-friendly, durable and of easy care. We work directly with manufacturers and are therefore able to secure the best prices for garments without compromising on quality.

By implementing an effective procurement strategy and maintaining control over activities, Express Uniform has directly benefitted from greater security of supply, lower direct costs, reduced risk, improved quality of product, greater added value to all parties, and increased efficiencies.

We supply generic non branded staple uniform / accessories where possible to provide maximum value to parents.

We provide added value by operating an online sales model and selling via Express Uniform shops located within participating schools. We are therefore able to achieve lower operating costs than suppliers with traditional retail models. We directly pass this saving on to the school and parents through a competitive uniform price.

We offer a free "click and collect" delivery service and free exchanges for parents in participating schools.

We support our schools' bursary funds by donating uniform each year to help support qualifying families.

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