

Manufacturer Climate Action Program

What is the Manufacturers Climate Action Program (MCAP)?

The Manufacturers Climate Action Program (MCAP) is a program managed by Cascale that aims to accelerate the adoption of science-aligned targets (SATs) on climate change and a reduction of greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions by manufacturers in the apparel, footwear, and textiles; home furnishings; sporting and outdoor goods; bags and luggage sectors. MCAP includes criteria, tools, and guidance to support manufacturers to set targets, take action, and report on progress. MCAP is only available to manufacturers.

In early 2023, Cascale engaged with Nike and Target on their supplier engagement approach for climate action. Incorporating feedback from members and key industry stakeholders, Cascale developed MCAP, an industry-wide collective program. MCAP aims to drive a common approach to accelerate manufacturers' progress in measuring GHG emissions, setting targets, reporting on progress, and mitigating climate change risk.

MCAP provides manufacturers with an opportunity to have their emission reduction targets validated by approved third-party organisations.

Approved third party target validators

Cascale has contracted with the external approved third-party organisations to serve as validators for MCAP targets: These firms have been selected based on their expertise on MCAP-related topics, including GHG inventory development and target evaluation. Each MCAP target will be reviewed by one of them. Cascale will play an oversight role to ensure consistency across the MCAP validations.

What support will Cascale provide to manufacturers through MCAP?

Cascale has prepared MCAP-specific resources, including the criteria and requirements, commitment letter and target submission form. When manufacturers commit to MCAP, Cascale will provide high-level training on the MCAP process, GHG accounting, and target setting. Cascale and the third-party validators will answer questions as manufacturers begin to develop their inventories and targets. Cascale will also dedicate 10 hours of online and offline advisory support per year to manufacturers who would like to ask us related questions.

MCAP provides a structured approach to support manufacturers in setting SATs. MCAP participants receive the following benefits:

- ✓ Third-party validation of SATs
- ✓ Promotion of approved targets
- ✓ Ten hours of technical support
- ✓ Access to webinars and training materials
- ✓ Annual progress tracking

JOIN MCAP

To discover how MCAP can benefit your organization and the planet. Your active participation is vital in addressing the climate crisis together.

QUESTIONS/ SUGGESTIONS?

You can find us at MCAP@cascale.org
Visit the [Decarbonization program page](#)
[@Cascale Connect](#) (Cascale members only)

For more information, visit:
<https://cascale.org/tools-programs/impact-programs/>
[/manufacturer-climate-action-program](#)

KEY ELEMENTS OF MCAP FRAMEWORK



COMMIT AND SET SCIENCE-ALIGNED TARGETS FOR VALIDATION (SCOPES 1 AND 2)

Pledge to the validated science-aligned emission reduction goals, a fundamental step toward a sustainable future.



EVALUATE CLIMATE RISK

Manufacturers are encouraged to assess and document the risks to their operations from climate change. This analysis serves as a bridge for engaging value chain partners, including brands.



DEVELOP A DECARBONIZATION PLAN

Craft a roadmap for emission reduction, addressing the growing demand for transparency and enabling manufacturers to plan investments and resources effectively.



ANNUALLY DISCLOSE PROGRESS

Champion transparency by publicly sharing annual progress reports toward targets, cultivating a culture of accountability and growth.

