CHILD LABOR IS FORBIDDEN ON UTZ CERTIFIED FARMS

However, it’s impossible to guarantee a complete stop to child labor. No system can monitor 24 hours a day, 365 days a year.

And banning child labor is not enough. Stop a child working on one farm and they’ll work somewhere else.

THAT’S WHY UTZ...

...EMPOWERS COMMUNITIES TO PROTECT CHILDREN’S RIGHTS

PREVENTION
Training & awareness raising.

IDENTIFICATION / MONITORING
Know if, where and when child labor occurs.

REMEDIAITON
Find solutions to get children into school.

...WORKS WITH THE SECTOR TO TACKLE CAUSES OF CHILD LABOR

COMPANIES
Sustainable supply chains

GOVERNMENTS
Infrastructure & legal framework

NGOs
Lobbying & awareness

FARMERS
Prevent, monitor & remediate

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In the worst cases there’s trafficking or modern slavery.

Children can help out in their own home or do light, supervised, age-appropriate work outside school hours.

IT IS A HUGE PROBLEM IN THE COCOA INDUSTRY

An estimated 2 million children work on cocoa farms in Côte D’Ivoire and Ghana alone.

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