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RE: Speedball Art Products and Escoda Brushes position on natural

hair brushes

Speedball Art Products is the North American distributor for Escoda brushes. Both Speedball and Escoda are committed to the ethical treatment of animals. We are working with our supply chain partners to ensure this is the case. Both companies are appalled by the recent video of the badger farms in China. While we feel confident our badger hair is not sourced from these farms, we will cease purchases of badger hair until we are able to confirm this is the case.

Escoda remains a leader in synthetic brushes and will continue to invest in and promote these as alternatives with very similar performance attributes as natural hair options.