

## Dietary Supplements Program



### Ingredient Program – Contents Mean Everything

NSF International maintains the only accredited American National Standard for dietary supplements – NSF/ANSI Standard 173. Today, manufacturers must qualify their ingredient suppliers as part of their GMP program, resulting in more manufacturers performing audits of their ingredient suppliers. They do this to ensure the ingredients they are buying and the facilities producing them are meeting or exceeding the standards they are looking for in safe manufacturing.

NSF has responded to this by offering a comprehensive ingredients program which includes:

- Ingredient certification
- GMP registration
- Supply chain safety

#### Ingredient Certification in Five Simple Steps

- Step 1 - Application
- Step 2 - Label and formulation review
- Step 3 - Facility audit
- Step 4 - Product testing
- Step 5 - Listing of product

#### Why Choose NSF Certification for Your Ingredients?

- The only accredited certifier of dietary supplements, functional foods, and dietary supplement raw ingredients
- Ensures ingredients are processed to 21 CFR 111
- Recognized and respected by regulatory and industry bodies alike
- Reduces costs by:
  - decreasing the number of customer audits conducted at your facility
  - freeing up the time of your quality staff
  - increasing productivity
- Prequalify yourself to new customers
- Build customer confidence by demonstrating the quality of your ingredients
- Assurance - Certified ingredients do not contain undeclared or unacceptable levels of contaminants such as heavy metals, microbiological contaminants, pesticides, herbicides and mycotoxins.
- Differentiate your company from the competition
- Demonstrate conformance to recommended industry Good Manufacturing Practices (GMP's)



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## GMP Registration

Good Manufacturing Practices are guidelines that provide a system of processes, procedures and documentation to assure the product manufactured has the identity, strength, composition, quality and purity that appears on the product label.

## Benefits of NSF GMP Registration

- Increase your company's credibility
- Offer a competitive advantage in the manufacturer's marketplace
- Increase confidence in the preparedness of manufacturing facilities for FDA inspection
- Decrease the time and cost for companies selecting third-party testing and product certification if using a NSF GMP registered contract manufacturer



## What Additional Services does NSF Ingredients Program Offer?

- Personal Service - You are allocated your own personal NSF Project Manager
- Listings on <http://www.nsf.org/Certified/FuncFoodBev>, a useful source for buyers worldwide
- Certified ingredients can bear the NSF Contents Tested & Certified mark
- Leveraging the NSF mark by working in close partnership with NSF's marketing and communications team to build your brand and differentiate you from your competition

## Contact Us

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