Experts in auditing,
product certification,
regulatory consulting,
testing and training





MINIMIZE RISK— Maximize Brand Value

Although brand equity is built over years, it can be lost in an instant. The NSF Cosmetics and Personal Care Program addresses the needs raised by new and emerging legislation, retailer-prohibited chemical lists, manufacturing-related quality issues and consumer safety concerns.

Our role is to help ensure the safety, quality and regulatory compliance of cosmetic and personal care manufacturing facilities, ingredients and products. Our goal is to provide manufacturers, brand owners and retailers superior quality assurance and brand protection.

Auditing: NSF audits facilities and ingredient suppliers to verify conformance to Good Manufacturing Practice (GMP) standards such as ISO 22716 and European Federation for Cosmetic Ingredients (EFfCI) to minimize the risk of adulteration or misbranding of cosmetics and personal care products. NSF's global network of skilled auditors provides graded audits to multiple country and retailer-specific cosmetic GMP standards.

Testing: NSF tests cosmetics and personal care products to verify regulatory compliance and material safety and to substantiate label claims through its world class ISO 17025-accredited laboratories in North America, Latin America, Europe and Asia.

Product Certification: NSF certifies to accredited greener and organic product standards, including the EPA's Safer Choice program, the USDA National Organic Program (NOP) and the American National Standard for personal care products containing organic ingredients (NSF/ANSI 305).

Training: NSF trains cosmetics and personal care quality and regulatory professionals to keep them apprised of emerging regulations and best practices in manufacturing, distribution and supply chain quality.

Regulatory Compliance: NSF consults on a wide range of cosmetic and personal care regulatory and quality issues, providing expert guidance on implementing effective quality systems, developing ingredient risk assessments and responding to regulatory issues and warning letters.



For more than 70 years, global public health organization NSF International has helped companies protect their brands through providing scientific and technical expertise in product testing, quality management systems, regulatory compliance and supply chain qualification for a wide range of products and industries.

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