Health and Beauty

Cosmetics Safety, Efficacy, Quality and Regulatory Compliance
Your Challenges

Creating identity and personality, cosmetics are popular with all types of consumers, including women and men of all ages, all over the world. To meet their expectations, you need to develop innovative products, formulations that address current trends and attractive and sustainable packaging, all while also ensuring safety.

In addition, you must also ensure compliance with the different regulations in effect around the globe. The recast of Directive 76/768/EEC to European Cosmetic Regulation (EC) No. 1223/2009, REACH, Classification, Labeling and Packaging (CLP), and regulatory developments in places such as China and Russia are some of the many changes you must anticipate and to which you have to adapt.

Our Solutions

Building upon 30 years of experience in the cosmetics industry, Intertek offers a comprehensive range of services at all stages of development.

Our network of more than 1,000 laboratories and offices in more than 100 countries offers you the following solutions to meet your cosmetics needs:

**Safety**

To enable your cosmetics to be placed on the market, our EUROTOX toxicologist network performs toxicological assessments in accordance with different international standards: EU, USA, Canada, Asia and Saudi Arabia.

Safety and tolerance tests can be conducted on volunteers (patch test, use test under medical supervision, HRIFT, etc.) or in a laboratory using in vitro studies.

In addition, analysis of regulated substances or potentially dangerous ingredients can be conducted using our network of accredited laboratories.

**Efficacy and Performance**

Intertek offers tailored solutions that enable you to support your efficacy claims, including clinical studies, in vitro testing and consumer research.

Our clinical studies are conducted using volunteers for all types of claims and products such as: determination of sun protection factor (SPF), hydration, weight loss, anti-aging, anti-perspirant, anti-regrowth (hair), hair care claims (relaxers, anti-dandruff) and waterproof properties (makeup, sunscreen).

In addition, Intertek performs in vitro tests to evaluate the performance of active ingredients and in any type of formulation.

Intertek also offers a consumer research service with a wide range of tests to assess the perceived performance of your cosmetics.

**Quality Control**

As part of an annual inspection plan or for specific requirements, we offer a wide range of tests:

- **Physical chemistry:** determination of 1,4-dioxane, phthalates, heavy metals, allergens, preservatives, active sunscreens
- **Microbiology:** Total Viable Count (TVC) and identification of pathogens according to ISO standards, challenge test

Our experts can also meet specific requests such as extractable and leachable testing, stability studies, method development or problem solving (e.g., analysis of particles).

Intertek also offers pre-shipment inspections and on-site distribution. Samples can be used for testing and laboratory analysis.

**EU Regulation Compliance**

As of July 11, 2013, cosmetic products sold in the EU must comply with Cosmetics Regulation No. 1223/2009.

Our regulatory affairs experts can assist you with:

- **Product Information File (PIF):** constitution (collection and verification), storage software solution through our IRIS, automatic generation of DIP and printable PDF and update.
- **Notification** via the European portal CPNP.
- **Verification and translation of labeling.**
- **Creating of Material Safety Data Sheets (MSDS).**

**Cosmetic Exports**

For countries with specific certification requirements, such as Algeria, Saudi Arabia, Kenya and Russia, Intertek assists you with the product certification process, which is mandatory in order to clear your shipments through customs and ensuring compliance with local laws.

Intertek also provides consulting solutions for your exports around the world, including China, USA, South East Asia nations and the Middle East.

**Life Cycle Analysis**

Life Cycle Analysis (LCA) is a comprehensive analysis of the environmental impacts of your products or packaging, through all stages of the life cycle – from raw material extraction to final disposal. Intertek also provides eco-design and eco-labeling services to further your sustainability efforts while reducing costs. In addition, Intertek’s Instant LCA™ tool enables non-experts to compare the environmental impacts of products by manipulating key parameters that significantly alter the environmental footprint of a product.

Did you know that?

- Intertek can assist in the evaluation of your raw materials and cosmetic ingredients. Please contact us for more information.
- Promotional items, gifts, advertising point of sale (POS) items that bear your name are also part of your brand. We can help you at the qualification stage and verify regulatory compliance around the globe through inspections, audits and testing.

**Supply Chain Audits**

Intertek conducts third-party factory audits as well as social audits according to standards such as ISO 22716, the European Federation for Cosmetic Ingredients (EFCI), ISO 9001 or ISO 14001.

To evaluate your supplier partners, Intertek has developed a system of shared audits, enabling several cosmetics manufacturers to audit the same supplier using a single local supplier.

For ISO 22716 (Good Manufacturing Practice), we offer services including training, consulting and auditing in order to achieve compliance with GMP.
At Intertek, our time-tested service, wealth of experience, and depth of knowledge allow us to offer solutions dedicated to helping you navigate the regulatory process. Intertek delivers the precision you need, with the speed to market you are looking for.

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