Managing and Reducing Hazardous Chemicals throughout Your Supply Chain
Your Challenges
With mounting pressure from external stakeholders, as well as an eye toward adverse long-term environmental impacts, there is an increased demand to reduce the use and manage the output of hazardous chemicals and other restricted substances from factories and other facilities. A comprehensive chemical management program is required to identify the source of these substances, educate and train employees, implement a plan for reduction and ultimately demonstrate your results.

Our Solutions
Intertek’s Chemical Management program is a systematic and comprehensive approach to ensure that chemicals are managed safely and appropriately across the supply chain. The program is based upon a three tiered approach of Training, Auditing and Testing.

Intertek’s Chemical Management program begins with a pre-assessment to enable smart decision making on further management activities and investment. The pre-assessment starts with the application of chemical expertise to provide a facility risk indicator, which is used as a baseline to more effectively plan training, auditing, wastewater testing and product testing activities.

Training
Intertek provides comprehensive training and builds capacity around chemical and wastewater management for workers throughout the supply chain. These training programs are tailored to provide information about relative chemical regulation issues, chemical and restricted substances list (RSL) management, as well as proper chemical handling, storage and discharge. These training programs build an educational foundation for those working in direct contact with chemicals within a facility.
Auditing
Intertek offers a comprehensive onsite and desktop audit-based approach to verify appropriate chemical management systems are in place in facilities throughout the supply chain. Audits cover the entire journey of chemicals within a facility, from initial inventory to final disposal. Audits include discharge audits and wastewater effluent testing* to ensure that chemicals are disposed of in the safest manner for both the community and environment. These services help you identify your hazardous chemical risks in order to mitigate and establish chemical management best practices.

Testing
Intertek offers testing and verification that chemicals of concern are not present on the final product delivered to the consumer. Intertek has extensive chemical testing capabilities across our global network of more than 1,000 laboratories and offices. Intertek’s Chemical Certification process ensures banned and high risk chemicals are not being used in your processes and products in order to meet all safety regulations, including REACH and CPSIA, as well as those within your own RSL testing program. In the 5 years the Chemical Certification has been available, Intertek has built a database of nearly 2,500 chemicals certified from 350 different companies.

Did You Know...
We find that most of the chemical substances used in manufacturing textiles and apparel in the supply chain are usually locally sourced and do not contain essential safety information.
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.