

Accreditation Scheme for Manufacturers of Cleaning Chemicals



The Scheme Specification

Members are required to take all reasonable and practical steps to ensure all products are of the stated quantity and volume for the intended purpose as required by the Manufacturing Standard.

Manufacturers must also provide evidence of, or be working towards:

- ISO 9001 or an alternative third-party quality certification.
- ISO 14001 environmental certification.
- Submitting data under the Packaging Waste Regulations.
- Internal business health & safety policies or certifications.
- External-facing health & safety management procedures to ensure the accuracy of product information updates and maintain customer communication related to the safety of the product.
- Readily accessible Safety Data Sheets for all Away from Home cleaning & hygiene products manufactured.
- Ensuring labels comply with the Classification of Labelling & Packaging Regulation.
- Ensuring that any biocidal declarations directly related to products have been tested by a licensed test laboratory and meet the requirements of EN ISO/IEC 17025, UKAS or equivalent in the UK or Europe and is accredited to undertake the relevant biocidal efficacy tests claimed.
- Providing full visibility of biocidal test data to the Independent Inspector at the time of a CHSA audit to support any biocidal declarations directly related to specific products, to validate such claims and ensure ongoing compliance.
- Complying with the appropriate Biocides regulations, Cosmetics regulations and detergent regulations, where appropriate.

In addition, members must:

- For CHSA Accredited Product, the manufacturer, whether in the UK, Europe or overseas, must provide a copy of their most recent official ethical audit report which meets the minimum CHSA requirements of an ethical audit which covers labour and health and safety standards. A comprehensive ethical audit would also be acceptable, to encompass the following areas:
 - Labour standards
 - Health & Safety
 - Environment
 - Business Ethics
- Sign the CHSA's Code of Practice, which includes the Competition & Markets Authority's Green Claims Code.
- Sign the CHSA's Ethical Marketing Commitment.



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Testing and inspection

Every member of the Accreditation Scheme for Cleaning Chemicals must carry out sufficient random checks to ensure conformity to the Manufacturing Standard.

The Independent Inspector of the CHSA's Accreditation Schemes audits each member's products, control systems and evidence of test data and compliance with the required regulations.

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