

A One Page Guide to Global Cosmetic Compliance Guidelines

The safety of cosmetics is of paramount importance. With so many regulations worldwide to ensure the safety of cosmetic products, Cosmetics IQ has compiled this one page global guide to cosmetic compliance regulations focusing on some of the major markets.

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▶ Canada

The Canadian government regulates the cosmetics industry through Health Canada's Cosmetics Program. Canadian regulations relating to Cosmetics (C.R.C, c.869) form part of Canada's Food & Drugs Act. All cosmetics sold in Canada must meet the requirements of the **Food and Drugs Act** and the **Cosmetic Regulations**.

Health Canada: Cosmetic Ingredient Hotlist

▶ USA

The FDA regulates cosmetics under the authority of these laws **Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (FD&C Act)** and the **Fair Packaging and Labeling Act (FPLA)**.

The United States requires that any cosmetics comply with the 'Cosmetics Safety Amendments Act of 2012'. This legislation was introduced to strengthen and modernise the previous Federal Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act (FD&C Act, March 2005) and the Fair Packaging and Labelling Act (FPLA, August 1992) giving the Food & Drug Administration a greater role in assessing the safety of personal care products. **Cosmetics - Food and Drug Administration**.

▶ India

In India the **Drugs and Cosmetic Act (1940)** operates the regulations of cosmetics.

Central Drugs Standard Control Organisation (CDSCO) **Guidelines on Registration of Import of Cosmetics**.

▶ South Africa

The South African Bureau of Standards (SABS) together with the CTFA (SA) and industry has developed a range of standards. Cosmetic products are not subject to registration. There is an in-market control system rather than a pre-market control system. However, all formulas containing ethyl alcohol and manufactured in South Africa must be registered with the Department of Customs and Excise for duty rebate on alcohol usage.

Forms and documents are required for registering as a foreign Importer

- **DA 185 - Application form: Registration/Licensing of Customs and Excise Clients**
- **DA 185.4A1 - Registration Client Type 4A1 - Importer**
- **DA185D - Nomination of Agent**

▶ Australia

Ingredients in cosmetic products, even those described as 'natural', are regulated as industrial chemicals under the **Industrial Chemicals (Notification and Assessment) Act 1989 (the Act)**. To find out if your product is a cosmetic regulated by the National Industrial Chemicals Notification and Assessment Scheme (NICNAS), follow the **process map**.

To assist with facilitating this regulatory framework, on 11 June 2008 the **TGA** adopted Therapeutic Goods (Excluded Goods) Order No. 1 of 2008. On 31 May 2011 this Order was revoked by **Therapeutic Goods (Excluded Goods) Order No. 1 of 2011**.

The **mandatory standard** for ingredients labelling on cosmetics came into effect on 31 October 1993 and was **last amended 23 May 2008**.

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