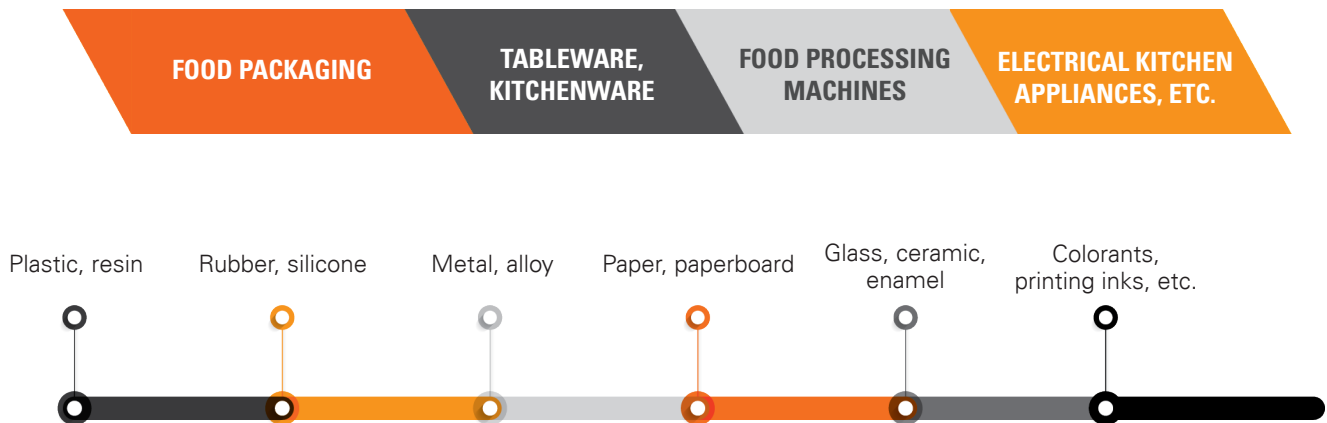


FOOD CONTACT MATERIALS FOR ELECTRICAL & ELECTRONICS SGS ONE-STOP SOLUTIONS



FOOD CONTACT MATERIALS

Food contact materials (FCM) are materials and articles intended to come into contact with food. FCM products and materials include::



FCM have the potential to adversely alter the taste, odor and/or color of foods. There is also the risk that hazardous constituents such as heavy metals and additives may migrate into the food from the FCM, thereby endangering human health.

Legislation governing the safety of FCM is enforced around the world. In recent years, more rigorous restrictions have been promulgated, with stricter mechanisms being established by major trading nations to eliminate hidden dangers and strengthen the safety management of FCM.



GLOBAL FOOD CONTACT MATERIAL REGULATIONS SUMMARY

Most countries enforce some form of FCM safety regulation or standard. Differences in living standards and economic development, however, mean there is a great disparity in the comprehensiveness and severity of the legislation being enforced

The following three regions have attracted the most attention.



REGION		FOOD CONTACT MATERIAL REGULATION AND STANDARDS
EUROPE	EU	Framework Regulation: (EC) No 1935/2004 Legislation on Specific Material: (EU) No 10/2011, 84/500/EEC (2005/31/EC) etc. Directive on Individual Substances: Directive on Epoxy Derivatives (EC) No 1895/2005 etc.
	GERMANY	Framework Regulation: LFGB Chapter 30 & 31 BfR Technical Recommendation
	FRANCE	French Décret n° 2007-766, Fiches matériaux organiques - matières synthétiques, Fiches matériaux inorganiques, Fiches métaux alliage v2, Fiches matériaux organiques fibres végétales, French Act 2012-1442, Note d'information 2012-93 DGCCRF
	ITALY	Act No 283 of 30 April 1962, Presidential Decree No 777 of 23 August 1982, and DM 21/03/1973 etc.
AMERICA	USA	21CFR 174-189 CPG Sec.545.400 & 545.450, CPG 7117.05
	CALIFORNIA	US Federal FCM Regulations; California Proposition 65
	MERCOSUR	Framework Regulation: GMC Res. No. 3/92 Plastic: Mercosur GMC Res. No. 56/92, 32/10, 32/07, 02/12 Rubber: Mercosur GMC Res. No. 54/97, 28/99 Metal: Mercosur GMC Res. No. 46/06 Ceramic: Mercosur GMC Res. No. 55/92 Test Method: GMC Res. No. 32/99, 32/10
ASIA	CHINA	Food Safety Law of PRC General safety requirement: GB 4806.1-2016 Additive standard: GB 9685-2016 Standards of raw material & finished product: such as GB 4806.6-2016, GB 4806.7-2016, GB 4806.9-2016, GB 4806.11-2016, etc GMP: GB 31603-2015
	JAPAN	Japan Food Sanitation Law (No.233) MHLW Notice No.370
	KOREA	Korea Food Sanitation Law Standards and Specifications for Food Utensils, Containers and Packages

KEY POINTS IN FCM COMPLIANCE

FCM regulations have requirements relating to raw materials, production processes, and technical documentation (including testing and declaration of conformity) for finished products. It is important to select qualified materials, control the production environment and processes, and confirm the compliance of the finished product in accordance with related FCM regulations.



MATERIAL COMPLIANCE

Most FCM regulations include a list of authorized monomers and additives, with some hazardous substances in the list having usage levels and migration limits.

Producers can decide the appropriate formula for raw materials based on these lists. Plastic materials with complex formulations and production processes have greater concern in market surveillance, especially PC, PVC, rubber, coatings etc.

PRODUCTION PROCESS AND ENVIRONMENTAL COMPLIANCE

FCM regulations commonly call for production in accordance to GMP (Good Manufacturing Practice). Qualifying products must conform to production process and environmental protection controls.

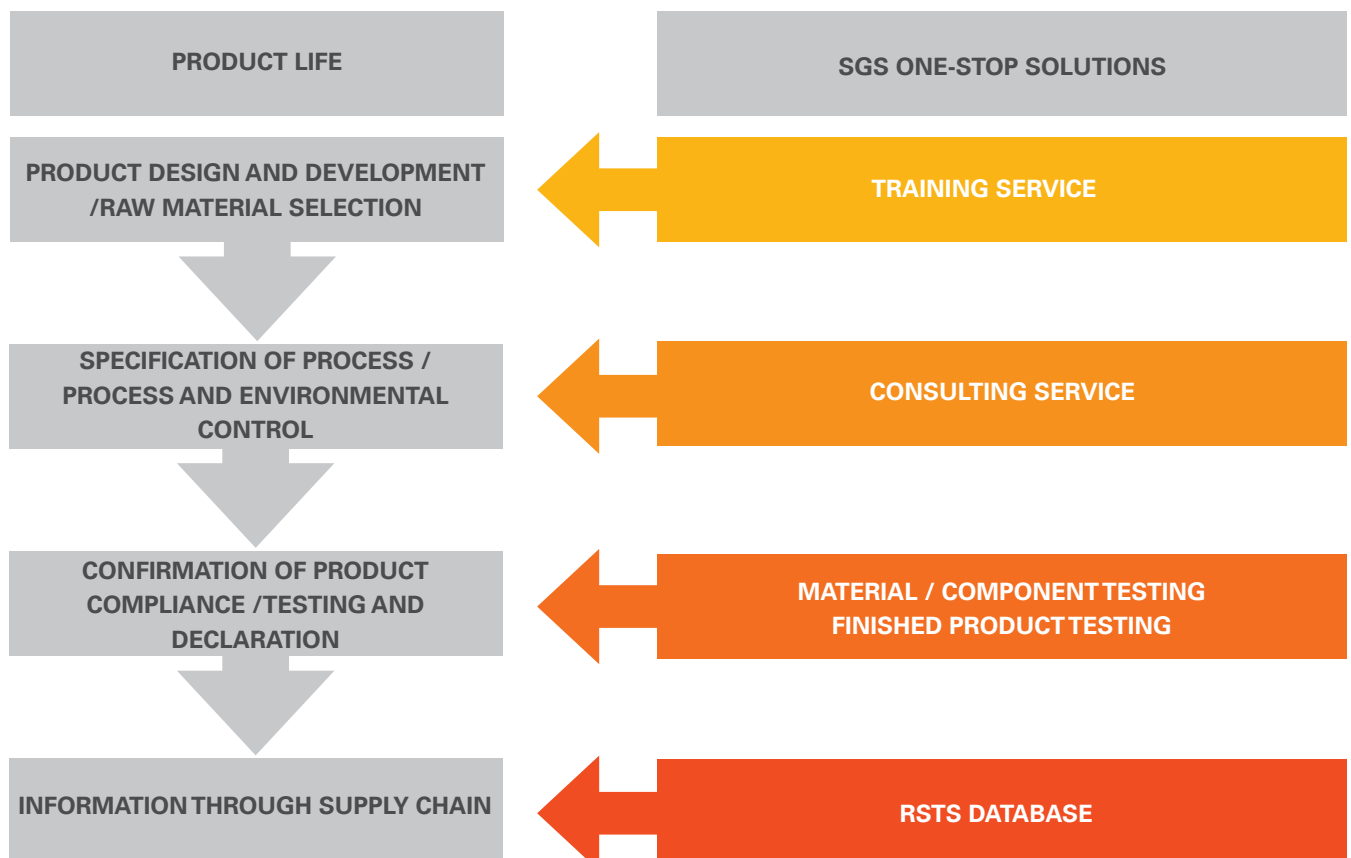
Special attention should be paid to preventing contamination under high temperature production process, such as rubber vulcanization and ceramic sintering, processes in which it is easy for contaminants to migrate.

PRODUCT CONFORMITY CONFIRMATION

Test reports and the finished product's declaration of conformity are usually included in the product's technical documentation, in case they are required by the buyer or a surveillance body. Testing finished products is dependent upon material classification and the actual use conditions. Material composition confirmation and use conditions are therefore important during testing.

European countries are also highly concerned with the organoleptic characteristics of the product. Failing a sensory test will always result in a product being recalled.

SGS ONE-STOP SOLUTION THROUGH A PRODUCT'S LIFE CYCLE



TRAINING SERVICE

SGS training courses let organizations gain a deeper understanding of FCM regulation requirements and help establish a management strategy.

CONSULTANCY SERVICE

Our consultancy service helps organizations identify high-risk processes and control points during manufacturing, analyze reasons for non-compliance, and helps reduce the risk of further non-conformities

MATERIAL/COMPONENT TESTING

SGS provides a comprehensive testing service to confirm materials and components are compliant and ensures all FCM and product components conform to FCM regulatory requirements.

FINISHED PRODUCT TESTING

FCM testing of finished products is a tailored program relating to the actual use of the product. It helps organizations verify the compliance of finished products in a timely and cost-efficient way.

RESTRICTED SUBSTANCES TESTING SERVICE (RSTS) DATABASE

SGS's Restricted Substance Testing Service (RSTS) database helps businesses manage and transfer their test reports. Additionally, it provides a convenient platform for enterprises to display their environmentally friendly products.



EE RSTS CLOUD

Our RSTS Cloud provides a convenient way to access, store, manage, and authorize your SGS reports anytime and from anywhere. It also include additional features such as Online report validation, supplier report management & authorization, most up-to-date information on restriction substances in the electrical and electronics industry, as well as up-and-coming events & alerts.

WHY SGS

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