



Choose certainty.
Add value.

Achieve the perfect fit. With TÜV SÜD.

Ensure the quality of your footwear products with TÜV SÜD's holistic approach to product safety and quality – from design to delivery. Our expertise ensures you deliver on time every time with consistent quality and minimise the risk of quality flaws and consignment rejections, thus maximising sales from speedy global market access and satisfied customers.

TÜV SÜD provides softlines services for:

- Leather & Footwear
- Fibre & yarn
- Fabric & Clothing
- Home textiles
- Accessories

Our services

Testing services include:

Global compliance testing in ISO 17025 and CPSIA approved labs to various required international standards.

Quality and performance testing

- Whole shoe bonding
- Whole shoe flexing
- Tensile, tear & seam strength
- Slip resistance
- ...and many more

Chemical testing

- Banned Amines (Azo dyes test)
- Extractable heavy metals – e.g. Lead
- Pentachlorophenol
- Cadmium in plastics and PVC
- Nickel content
- Carcinogenic and allergic disperse dyes
- Di-Methylfumarate (DMF)
- Phthalates
- ...and many more

Inspection services include:

Pre-shipment inspections according to international sampling method ANSI/ASQ Z1.4 - 2003

- Initial Production Check (IPC)
- During Production Check (DUPRO)
- Final Random Inspection (FRI)
- Loading / Stuffing supervision

Auditing and Certification services:

- ISO 9001
- ISO 140001
- OHSAS 18001
- As per C-TPAT criteria



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TÜV SÜD Footwear Mark

Awarded to retailers and manufacturers to demonstrate their commitment to excellence with a mark that tests safety for humans and the environment concerning the use of hazardous substances.

- Provides assurance and confidence to consumers that product has been manufactured with critical consideration for chemical safety
- Certifies compliance to international standards
- Demonstrates awareness and sense of responsibility towards quality, environment and health
- Strengthens competitive capability and marketability of products

Social compliance audits

- SA 8000
- Business Social Compliance Initiative (BSCI)
- Worldwide Responsible Accredited Production (WRAP)
- Ethical Trading Initiative (ETI)
- Verband der Fertigwarenimporteure (VFI)
- Code of Conduct (COC)

Technical audit & factory evaluation

- Technical audit at vendors' premises
- Quality assurance audits
- Energy audits
- BRC/RILA CP-3 Audits
- Customised process audits

Training & Knowledge services include:

Training programs

- Quality system awareness programs such as testing and inspection training, social compliance methodologies
- Training on subjects like CPSIA, GB, REACH, and RSL
- ...and many more

Your benefits

- ▶ Minimise business risks and costs
- ▶ Ensure compliance to worldwide safety, social, legal and environmental standards
- ▶ Gain international market access
- ▶ Deliver consistent quality in material safety, durability and wearability; and meet customer expectations
- ▶ Maintain and build brand reputation

About TÜV SÜD

TÜV SÜD is a major international service group providing testing, inspection, auditing & certification, training and knowledge services. Represented in over 600 locations worldwide, TÜV SÜD holds accreditations for market access in Europe, Middle East/Africa, The Americas and Asia Pacific. TÜV SÜD is a one-stop solutions provider supporting customers secure fast and efficient global access.

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