

UL's Advisory Services for the Toy Industry

In today's global economy, organizations gain a true competitive edge by focusing on product development, managing safety, compliance and regulatory risks, and accessing new markets. By addressing these critical needs throughout the product development cycle, UL's advisory and training services help our customers maximize the efficiency at which they get their products onto store shelves in all target markets. We focus on sharing the knowledge they need to advance their businesses in an increasingly competitive landscape.



Human Factors Analysis

Assesses children's products based on the physical and cognitive development of children and their abilities at specific ages. Assessments consider age appropriateness, intended and unintended use, foreseeable use or misuse, fit, comfort, size, and potential safety hazards of toys and other products for children.



Age Determination

Determines the most age-appropriate grading of toys on the basis of developmental factors, such as cognitive and motor abilities of children, as well as play behavior and interests.



Risk and Hazard Assessments

Analyzes product features to identify potential hazards and safety issues based on foreseeable use, and injury and incident data of similar product. Assessment includes potential manufacturing issues that could affect product safety, and provides quantitative analysis based on severity of potential injury and the likelihood of occurrence.



Label Review

Reviews label information to international standards, helping ensure the details provided clearly define the safety warnings and product use guidelines and meet regulatory requirements.



Regulatory Evaluations

Constructs a robust global compliance plan tailored to a specific product and feature set, which allows companies to proceed with confidence in continual compliance.



Recall Analysis for Children's Products

Performs a detailed review of recent recalls to illuminate common issues with specific product categories. Using this data can drive supply chain and design decisions and quantify risk.



Best Practices

Reviews processes throughout the supply chain to develop a robust quality assurance program that includes best practices at each step of a product life cycle, from product concept through distribution.



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