

# INFORMED MANUFACTURER INTRODUCING THE NEXT STEP IN QUALITY ASSURANCE

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#### **WE TEST. YOU TRUST.**

Quality assurance certification programmes for the sports nutrition industry backed by 60 years of anti-doping and scientific expertise.

- Finished Product Certification
- Protein Level Verification
- Manufacturing Site Certification
- Raw Material/Ingredient Certification

#### **Consumer-Focused Programmes**







Every Lot Pre-Release Tested + Retail Blind Sample Testing

Retail Monitoring Programmes Monthly Blind Sample Testing

#### **B2B-Focused Programmes**



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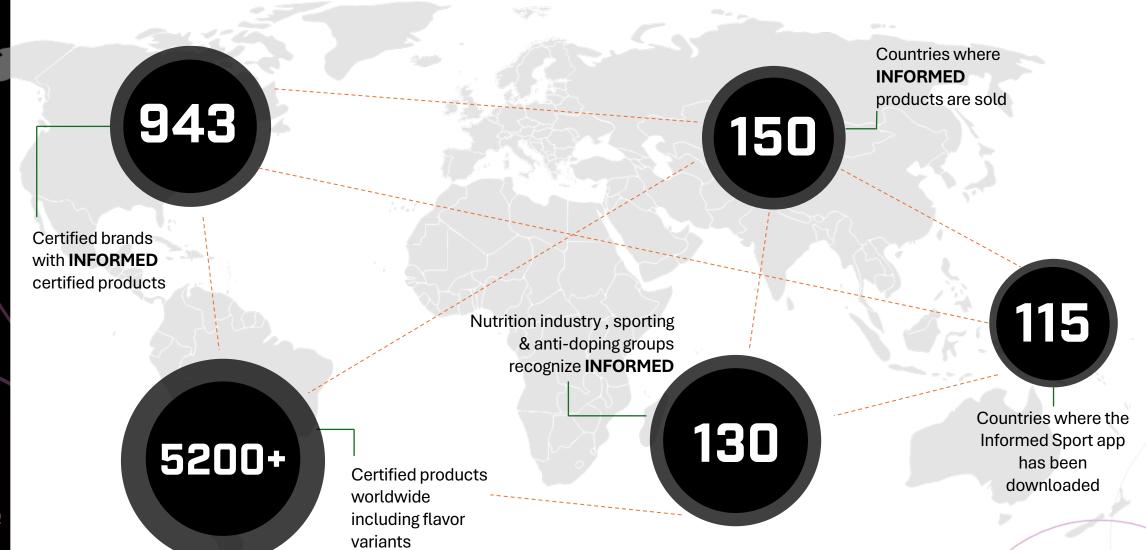
Manufacturer Monitoring for Banned Substances

Ingredient Monitoring Testing For Banned Substances



# **GLOBAL FOOTPRINT**

**TOTAL SAMPLES TESTED: 229,802** 





# THE SPORTING LANDSCAPE

#### PROHIBITED SUBSTANCE VIOLATIONS IN THE NEWS



#### James Comben

There has been a huge amount of learning for me through this process. I would really stress to all athletes that extreme caution needs to be taken even with innocent looking products...regrettably naivety or lack of awareness is no defence in these situations... I feel gutted that I have not been around at the club for the second half of the season and wish the boys the best of luck for the last few games"

Methylhexanamine



#### ASAFA POWELL

Jamaican Sprinter

"I want to be clear in saying to my family, friends and, most of all, my fans worldwide that I have never knowingly or willfully taken any supplements or substances that break any rules."

Oxilofrine



#### **DEXTER LAWRENCE**

Clemson Tigers

"We get tested regularly and we know not to do anything stupid or selfish like that," he said (via ESPN). "That's why this is such a shock." "I didn't want my last game to be Pitt [in the ACC championship]," he added. "I wanted my last game to be the closer. That's what we'd been fighting for each game. I wouldn't wish this on anybody."

Ostarine



#### **RHYS WILLIAMS**

British Hurdler

"I am utterly devastated about the news of this anti-doping rule violation, which has come as a great shock to me. From the outset, I would strongly like to state that I have not knowingly taken any banned substance."

Anabolic steroids



### **THREATS**

#### MOST COMMONLY FOUND PROHIBITED SUBSTANCES (US)

- DHEA (Most Common)
- **5(6)-androstene-3**β,17β-**diol**
- 1,4-androstadiene-3,17-dione
- Ephedrine/Norpseudoephedrine
- Methamphetamine
- DMBA (1,3-Dimethylbutylamine)
- Amphetamine "like" compounds

- Oxilofrine
- Ostarine
- Higenamine
- Buproprion (cross contaminated raw material)
- Sildenafil (male enhancement)





# LEVELS OF CONTAMINATION

- Part Per Billion Level (ppb)
   e.g. 10 nanogram per gram of product
- mg/ml = part per thousand
- μg/ml = parts per million
- ng/ml = parts per billion

1 US Dollar bill = 1g

- 1/1000 = 1mg
- $1/1,000,000 = 1 \mu g$
- 1/1,000,000,000 = 1ng



1 NG/ML = ONE SUGAR CUBE IN AN OLYMPIC POOL

# **SOURCES OF CONTAMINATION**

#### **RAW MATERIALS**

Contamination at source of manufacture

Imported raw materials from highrisk countries of origin

Botanical products – natural steroids or stimulants

#### **MANUFACTURING**



Improper handling of high-risk raw materials

Handling of banned substances in manufacturing facilities

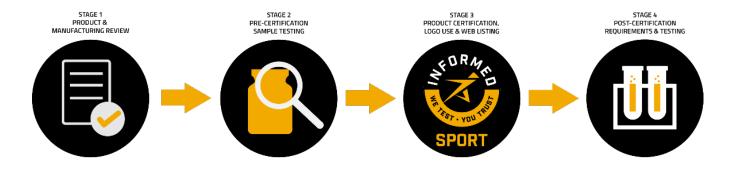


# SUPPLEMENT CERTIFICATION PROCESS





1 in 10,000 Informed Choice/Informed Sport certified products had a positive screening indication.



#### **Quality Systems Review Process**

- Product/ingredient evaluation
- Raw material evaluation at each production/packing site
- Raw material supplier assessment procedures
- SOP review for critical control points in all production/packing areas including cleaning, ingredient handling, employee hygiene
- Verification for label verification testing, identity and contaminant testing GMP verification
- Pre-certification sample testing



# TAKE THE NEXT STEP IN QUALITY ASSURANCE



#### Minimise Risk

Protect your business and brand by lowering the likelihood of banned substance contamination

# **Convey Commitment**

Clearly communicate best-practice quality controls to new and existing customers

# **Build Brand Confidence**

Differentiate from other manufacturers to nurture confidence when developing new relationships



# KEY ELEMENTS OF INFORMED MANUFACTURER



Desk-based **certification audit** interrogating production and quality processes in detail



**Onsite certification assessment** including site inspection and testing of swab samples for substances prohibited in sport



Annual **recertification** process including desk-based manufacturing audit and swab testing



# **CERTIFICATION PROCESS**

#### STAGE ONE

**Desk-Based Audit** 





#### STAGE TWO

Site Visit and Swab Sample Testing





#### STAGE THREE

Certification Completion, Logo Use & Web Listing





Recertification Audit and Swab Testing



Desk-based audit

Onsite inspection

Site collects and returns swabs

Swab analysis by LGC

Report issued

Certificate issued

Logo use licensed

Brand training

Desk-based audit

Swab collection, return and analysis

Certificate and report re-issued



### **CERTIFICATION PROCESS**

#### **GLOBAL STANDARD & DESK-BASED AUDIT**

Clear, robust and transparent standard Covers food safety, quality and banned substance risk management Audit requires document references for all points and evidence for all points over a 3-yearly cycle

#### Management Commitment & Responsibility

Management and Organisational Structure
Management Review
Prohibited Substances
Documentation Control and Record Keeping

#### Food Safety & Quality Management System

Food Safety Policy Risk Assessment & Preventative Actions Personnel & Training

#### Traceability & Product Control

Traceability System & Procedures
Product Quarantine & Release
Product Recall Procedures
Internal Audits
Non-conformities & Corrective Actions
Complaint Handling

#### Operational Control & Production

Operational Control
Purchasing & Supplier Management
Raw Materials
Product Specs, Labelling & Packaging
Receipt & Storage of Goods
Plant Layout & Process Flows
Construction & Maintenance
Cleaning & Disinfection
Waste Management
Pest Control



# BASED ON SIZE, NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES, NUMBER OF PRODUCT FORMULATIONS

- Costs are based on a calculation information provided on the Informed Manufacturer Information Form (IMIF)
- The Final Audit Category takes account of any unique site characteristics to ensure an appropriate audit and swab testing schedule.
- Flexibility is allowed for very large or very small sites that may not fit into the model shown
- Sites will be informed of the Final Audit Category prior to each assessment



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Scoring Factors						
Factor Value	1 Point	2 Points	3 Points	4 Points	5 Points	
Square footage	Under 51K	51-100K	101-200K	201-400K	400K plus	
No of employees	1 - 19	20 - 69	70 - 149	150 - 349	350 plus	
Product formulations	1	2	3	4+		

Site Score	<b>Base Audit Category</b>		
1 - 4	А		
5 - 7	В		
8 - 10	С		
11 -12	D		
13 - 14	E		



#### SIMPLE PRICING, CLEAR EXPECTATIONS

	Category A	Category B	Category C	Category D	Category E
Swabs	10	15	20	25	30
Cost (€)	€4,240	€5,170	€5,650	€6,470	€7,290

Certification and annual recertification costs include:

• Desk-based audit, onsite inspection\*, swab testing & license to use Informed Manufacturer logo Sites unable to provide evidence of working to an accepted quality standard (e.g. GFSI-recognized, GMP, etc.) require an enhanced audit with an additional fee of 570€ (only at certification)

Remote assessments have proven to be an effective way to conduct desk-based audits to enable communication with the INFORMED team once all required information is available. Auditors may request to visit the site in the rare instance of major non-conformities

Onsite recertification visits are an option, please contact your LGC representative for availability and costs



<sup>\*</sup> Onsite inspection typically only required at certification. Travel & accommodation for the onsite inspection at certification is charged separately.

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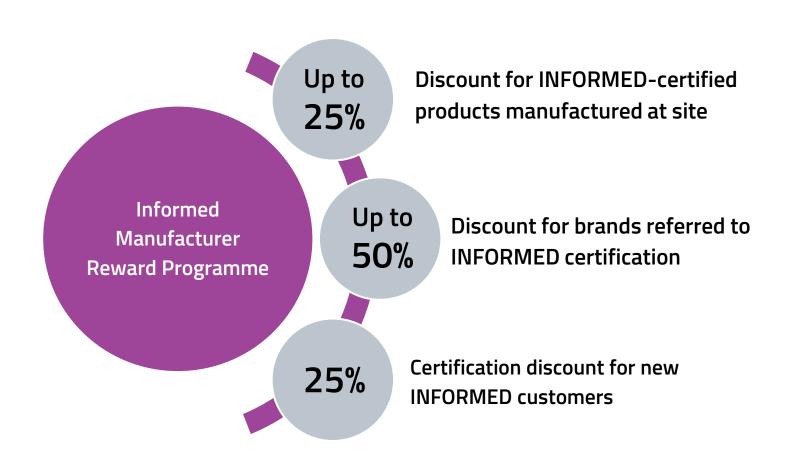


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#### Certification

Sites receive discount on certification fees according to the number of INFORMED-certified products manufactured (minimum 5)\*

Number of Products	5 - 14	15 -24	25 – 39	40+
Discount	5%	10%	15%	25%

#### **Brand Referral Discount Initial**

Earn 5% off recertification fees for each brand referred that is new to INFORMED and successfully earns a product certification (Informed Sport, Informed Choice, Informed Protein, Informed Ingredient), to maximum of 50%\*

#### Downstream Discount (for Your Customers)

Support new business development with the ability to secure your customers a 25% discount off the list price for certifying product(s) with Informed Sport, Informed Choice, Informed Protein or Informed Ingredient if they are new to INFORMED



<sup>\*</sup>Total maximum discount is 50%, discounts are calculated and applied automatically and will be itemized on certification invoices.

# INFORMED REWARDS

#### **EXAMPLE DISCOUNT SCENARIOS**

**Certified Products Manufactured** 

Number of Brands Referred

Invoice Total

Line Item	Factor	Value	
Certification Fee	Category A	£3750.00	
Certified Products Manufactured	8 (-5%)	-£187.50	
Number of Brands Referred	2 (x 5%=10%)	-£375.00	
Invoice Total		£3185.50	
Line Item	Factor	Value	
Certification Fee	Category C	£5000.00	
Certified Products Manufactured	22 (-10%)	-£500.50	
Number of Brands Referred	6 (x 5%=30%)	-£1500.00	
Invoice Total		£3000.50	
Line Item	Factor	Value	
Certification Fee	Category E	£6450.00	

28 (-15%)

7 (x 5%=35%)

-£967.50

-£2257.50

£3225.00





# INFORMED MARKETING SUPPORT





Dedicated webpage profile (photos, contact and manufacturing capabilities)
Logo usage training
Social marketing collaboration
Website content template





#### Rewards Programme

Educational collateral and slideware Email and website content templates Referral tools and dedicated URL





# THANK YOU!

Q&A

Please contact your LGC representative with any questions regarding certification or rewards program.

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