

Kiwa NSF/ANSI 51 product certificate for food equipment materials



Kiwa certifies materials and finishes used in the manufacturing of food equipment. The certification scheme is based on the standard NSF/ANSI 51.

The certification is applicable to materials and finishes used in the manufacture of food equipment (e.g., broiler, beverage dispenser, cutting board, stock pot). The certification is also applicable to components such as tubing, sealants, gaskets, valves, and other items intended for various food equipment applications.

NSF/ANSI 51 requirements for compositions of food zone materials refer to the US legislation, as described in the FD&C Act and US Code of Federal Regulations ([FDA CFR21](#)).

Kiwa certification for food equipment materials is possible on two levels:

Kiwa NSF/ANSI 51 Material Approval

With a material approval the manufacturer can show the independent verification of compliance of the material composition to the US legal requirements.

Kiwa NSF/ANSI 51 Product Certificate

Based on regular independent evaluation, testing and production audits, a product certificate shows compliance of the products to the quality requirements according to the Kiwa NSF/ANSI 51 certification scheme.

Kiwa is ISO/IEC 17065 accredited by the American National Standard Institute (ANSI). Our accreditation status and accredited scope is displayed on ANSI accreditation Kiwa Nederland.

Applicants of food zone materials for food equipment rely on NSF/ANSI 51 certified materials and products to ensure that the use of their food equipment is safe with respect to health effects.

For manufacturers of materials and equipment that are intended to come into contact with food. The scope of products is broad; examples are; gloves, cutting boards, utensils, kitchenware and storage containers, etcetera, etcetera.. The scope also includes components for food processing equipment; examples are; belts, gaskets, valves, sealants, etcetera, etcetera. Kiwa is the right address for the testing and certifications needed to become product acceptance and compliance across the US.

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US states require that all materials that come into contact with food are tested and reviewed according to US legislation. A Kiwa NSF/ANSI 51 certificate is the right tool to show all needed compliance.

What to do next

For more information and applications please contact the Product Group Hygienic Aspects/ Food Contact Materials, fcm@kiwa.nl.

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