

RECOMMENDED MINIMUM PERFORMANCE STANDARDS FOR VINYL-COATED AND OTHER CHEMICAL COATED UPHOLSTERY FABRICS – HEALTHCARE STANDARD CERTIFICATION



The Chemical Fabrics and Film Association offers a self-certification program for manufacturers and sellers of coated fabrics that meet CFFA-Healthcare-201 - Minimum Performance Standards for Vinyl-Coated and Other Chemical Coated Upholstery Fabrics for the healthcare environment (CFFA-HC-201). The CFFA-HC-201 certification mark will help specifiers, designers, and furniture manufacturers more easily identify appropriate coated fabrics for the healthcare environment, which may reduce product failures. Products/patterns certified to CFFA-HC-201 must pass a series of test methods within CFFA-HC-201 that have been identified as important and relevant for the healthcare environment. Products certified to CFFA-HC-201 will be listed on the CFFA website <u>here</u>.

CERTIFYING PRODUCTS AND PRIVATE LABELING CERTIFIED PRODUCTS: Both manufacturers and distributors may self-certify products/patterns and license the certification mark to identify certified products. Products must be tested by an accredited laboratory and meet the CFFA-HC-201 standard. Self-certification and private labeling a previously certified product/pattern also require a License and applicable licensing fee.

- The procedural guidelines, including use of the mark, and licensing fees for self-certification and private labeling can be found <u>here</u>.
- The form to submit for self-certifying products can be found here.
- The form to submit for private labeling previously certified products can be found here.
- The license agreement for self-certification and private labeling previously certified products/patterns may be found <u>here</u>.

LICENSING AND UTILIZING THE MARK: Distributors and furniture manufacturers who would like to use the mark when promoting previously certified products on their own marketing materials and website may obtain a royalty-free License Agreement for that purpose and must follow the guidelines for use for the mark.

- The license agreement for using the mark for all previously certified products may be found <u>here</u>.
- Further information on utilizing the mark once the license agreement is signed can be found <u>here</u>.

For more information, please contact the CFFA office at cffa@chemicalfabricsandfilm.com.

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