



IFS PACsecure

IFS PACsecure is a **GFSI-recognized** Standard for the assessment of packaging material suppliers and converters. It is a result of the cooperation between IFS and PAC–Packaging Consortium and refers to the well-established PACsecure Standard, which was developed with the support of leading food and packaging material companies in North America.



What is IFS PACsecure?

- IFS PACsecure is a **risk-based** Standard to assess packaging material manufacturers.
- It is a product and process certification that offers a number of benefits to companies striving for excellence in quality and safety, and seeking a competitive advantage in their market place.
- The Standard has a strong focus on checking the compliance with customer requirements.
- Question answered by IFS PACsecure audit: Is a supplier capable of delivering safe products according to the agreed product specification?

Benefits for manufacturers!

- Reduction in the need for customer audits
- Monitoring of compliance with regulations
- Advanced evaluation and reporting system
 - IFS reports wherever each requirement is fully, mostly, partly or not fulfilled
 - Identifies improvement goals for each department of the company
 - Audit report gives detailed overview about strong and weak areas
 - Database allows customers access to their audit results



Benefits for certification bodies!

- Reliable regional help-desk in case of any questions
- Several business opportunities after client contact:
 - Gap analysis to find out the status of the company
 - Training/Consulting to reach the level to be certified
 - Pre-audit to put the rule to the test
 - IFS facilitate auditor qualification trainings according to CB needs



What differentiates IFS PACsecure from other packaging material standards?

- The requirements of IFS PACsecure are more flexible than other standards
- IFS PACsecure certification is granted based on the degree of fulfillment.
- The Standard also considers compliance to customer requirements.
- Additionally, the checklist of IFS PACsecure contains example questions to be addressed to the company during the audit, as well as examples for Major and KO situations.
- The IFS evaluation system shows to what extent the requirements are met, giving a clearer view on the status quo of the audited company.