

LivingSafe.Com.Au

2015 Product Safety Criteria

Above all else LivingSafe.com.au is committed to recommending, promoting and also now selling through our recently launched Online Store only the very safest products and services available in the world.

Below is our check list of ALL the health and safety criterion that all products featured or sold through livingSAFE.com.au must meet.

Yes we know this is a very strict criterion to meet, but this is what makes LivingSafe.com.au a stand out from all other natural and organic health information sites and online stores.

We take that extra measure to be cautious and if there is any doubt of the safety of an ingredient or product we don't allow it e.g. seaweed products that may be contaminated from radiation from Fukushima etc.

We also take that extra measure to ensure all the products we recommend and sell are indeed truly cruelty free and this is why we only recognize cosmetic companies certified by only these two cruelty-free organizations certification- Choose Cruelty Free in Australia and Leaping Bunny in the USA/Europe. Please note we will not recognize products listed only with PETA as cruelty-free as their certifications standards are not strict enough.

If you are not yet certified by either of the above cruelty-free organizations but would like to be we can assist you. Please not certification by Choose Cruelty Free in Australia is a cost-free exercise.

PRODUCT SAFETY QUESTIONNAIRE

PLEASE READ THROUGH THOROUGHLY AND HIGHLIGHT YOUR ANSWERS IN YELLOW.

1. For all companies selling or manufacturing the following – COSMETICS, PERSONAL CARE, FRAGRANCES, HAIR CARE , PET GROOMING PRODUCTS and CLEANING PRODUCTS please answer

Are you products certified as cruelty-free by either Choose Cruelty Free in Australia (preferable) or Leaping Bunny if products are from a European/USA company by Leaping Bunny? – **YES NO**

2. Are all your products free of all known harmful chemicals and toxins and processes including the following – BPA, PVC, Formaldehyde, Talc, Sulphates, Petrochemicals, Parabens, Propylene Glycol, Chlorine Bleach, PPD, Triclosan, Pthalates, Dioxins, Volatile Organic Compounds (VOC's) etc?

We currently allow some synthetic ingredients provided they are **not considered toxic, potentially carcinogenic or dangerous; e.g. synthetics in nail polishes and hair colorants.** We do however require the Advertiser to disclose any synthetic ingredients to us and we maintain the right to honestly disclose these ingredients to our readers in order to keep our ethical and honest reputation. Companies with synthetic ingredients have an ** next to their listing on our Safer Products Directory.

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3. Are all your products nano-particle free and do your loose mineral cosmetic powders have a larger particle size than 2.5 microns per particle? **YES NO**

4. Are your products free of Animal by-products with the exception of humanely sourced honey and dairy products. At this stage we will allow products with Carmine and Shellac, but again these ingredients must be disclosed to us and to our readers, so our vegan readers have the right to choose. Palm oil is only allowed if it is ethically and humanely sourced? – **YES NO**

5. FOOD - All food products must be vegetarian/vegan, organic/ bio-dynamic and free of additives, synthetic preservatives, colours and flavours. Do your food products meet these standards? – **YES NO**

6. FOOD CONTAINERS/BAKEWARE/KITCHENWARE - Must be BPA and PVC free and using food safe materials – Do your food products meet these standards? – **YES NO**

7. KITCHEN APPLIANCES - In regards to food preparation appliances, where possible we prefer to advertise appliances that are completely free of PVC or BPA components, but we have found it is almost impossible to find a brand of food processors and blenders where the entire range is completely free of these materials. Therefore in the interim, until manufacturers become more aware and change to greener materials, we will accept food processing machinery that may contain some PVC or BPA, on the provision that these materials are honestly disclosed to us and allowed to be labelled on our site and provided these materials are not in any way in contact with the food. Do your food products meet these standards? – **YES NO**

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8. CLOTHING/BEDDING/ BABY WEAR/NAPPIES & BABY WIPES - Are all your products free of all known harmful chemicals and toxins and processes including the following – FIRE RETARDENT treatments and chemicals, BPA, PVC, Formaldehyde, Petrochemicals, Parabens, Propylene Glycol, Chlorine Bleach, Pthalates, Dioxins, Volatile Organic Compounds (VOC's), AZO fabric colourant ? – **YES NO**

NEW CLAUSES added January 2014

9. OCEAN SOURCED INGREDIENTS – Do any of your products contain marine products of any sort e.g CARRAGAGEEN (often used in mascaras and skin care products and as a vegan alternative to gelatine in food), ALGAES, SEAWEEDS, SEA MINERALS, MARINE COLLAGEN, AGAR AGAR, KELP, SEA SALT etc..?

– **YES NO**

If YES please list region harvested from here – (you may need to approach you ingredients supplier for this information)

Do you not recommend, feature or sell products with ingredients or parts coming from the following countries and areas due to concern of high levels of radiation contamination due to both Fukushima and Chernobyl – NOT ALLOWED Japan, Pacific Ocean between Japan and the West Coast of the USA. Coastal areas along the west coasts of the USA Hawaii, Mexico and the west coast of Northern Canada. Do you have any ingredients or products from these areas of concern? – **YES NO**

If YES please list regions here and we will look into it further with you-

If YES please list region harvested from here – (you may need to approach you ingredients supplier for this information)

Do you will not recommend, feature or sell products with ingredients or parts coming from the following countries and areas due to concern of high levels of radiation still affecting them from Chernobyl – NOT ALLOWED Ukraine, Belarus, Russia and Turkey. Do you have any ingredients or products from these areas of concern? – **YES NO**

If YES please list region harvested from here – (you may need to approach you ingredients supplier for this information)

10b ORIGINS OF RAW INGREDIENTS CHERNOBYL CONCERNS – We will not recommend, feature or sell any raw ingredients e.g. Turkish Apricots and Turkey Hazelnuts and any oils or plant, grains, seeds, wood or flower products or by-products harvested or grown from countries and areas due to concern of high levels of radiation contamination still affecting them from Chernobyl – NOT ALLOWED Ukraine, Belarus, Russia and Turkey. Also certain areas of Poland, Germany, Slovakia, Czech Republic, Austria, Rumania, Bulgaria, Greece, Italy, Sweden, Finland, Lithuania, were also affected. **If you have any wooden or raw ingredients from these countries please list the ingredient, the country of origin and the area harvest from in this country.**

If YES please list region harvested from here – (you may need to approach you ingredients supplier for this information)

I declare that all my answers are accurate and true to the best of my knowledge and that I will notify LivingSafe Australia PTY LTD should any of my ingredients or product's no longer meet the standards as outlined in this form.

Signed

Date

INFORMATION REGARDING THE DANGERS OF RADIATION CONCERNS STILL DUE TO CHERNOBYL

Countries still adversely affected by Chernobyl - statement from WHO (World Health Organization) on Chernobyl: the true scale of the accident, and an extensive report 2011 Health Effects of Chernobyl.

Where did the radioactive fallout come down? As a result of the Chernobyl accident large amounts of radioactive substances were released into the atmosphere. They dispersed locally in Belarus, Ukraine and Russia and furthermore over the northern hemisphere, in particular over Europe. Due to the strongly changing meteorological conditions several radioactive clouds formed in different directions. The initially existing air current transported the radioactive substances via Poland to Scandinavia. A second cloud went to Germany via Slovakia, Czech Republic and Austria.

A third cloud finally reached the countries of Rumania, Bulgaria, Greece and Turkey. The resulting radioactive contamination in the affected areas varied considerably depending on the occurrence and amount of rainfall during the passing of the radioactive air masses.

The south of Germany was clearly higher exposed than the north due to strong local rainfalls. Locally in the Bavarian Forest and south of the river Danube up to 100,000 becquerels caesium-137 per square metre were measured. In the North German Plain, however; the activity deposition of this radionuclide rarely amounted to more than 4,000 becquerels per square metre. You will find more information at "Environmental consequences" (only available in German) - for full report [CLICK HERE](#)

"In certain regions of Germany, Austria, Italy, Sweden, Finland, Lithuania and Poland, wild game (including boar and deer), wild mushrooms, berries and carnivorous fish from lakes reach levels of several thousand Bq per kg of caesium-137", while "in Germany, caesium-137 levels in wild boar muscle reached 40,000 Bq/kg. The average level is 6,800 Bq/kg, more than ten times the EU limit of 600 Bq/kg", according to the TORCH 2006 report. The European Commission has stated that "The restrictions on certain foodstuffs from certain Member States must therefore continue to be maintained for many years to come". [8] As of 2009, sheep farmed in some areas of the UK are still subject to inspection which may lead to them being prohibited from entering the human food chain because of contamination arising from the accident" Effects Of Chernobyl Disaster Wikipedia.