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Application for certification:
Products in contact with drinking water (KTW) – Simplified procedure

Att. to

Certification body **OFI CERT**

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Applicant:			
Contact Person, E-Mail:			
Street, No.:			
ZIP Code, Place, Country:			
Telephone No.:		UID-Nr.	

We apply for **Certification (Simplified procedure) for products in contact with drinking water** on the basis of the *UBA-Recommendation – Attestation of conformity* and the *UBA-Evaluation criteria* for the product / products:

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(Product name as it shall appear on the certificate)

- ☐ **Plastics** / organic materials (KTW-BWGL)
- ☐ Enamels / **ceramic materials** (Enamel / Ceramic evaluation criteria)
- ☐ **Metallic materials** (Metal evaluation criteria)
- ☐ **Silicone** (Silicone transitional recommendation)

The **materials** for the product / products are listed in the **wetted parts list – BOM** (Bill of materials):

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(OFI-Form GP33-FO35-CERT (KTW)_BOM_product name_date_version)

The product / products are used for the following **application temperatures**:

- ☐ Cold water (23°C) ☐ Cold and warm water (23-60°C) ☐ Cold and hot water (23-85°C)

Product group:

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|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Components of fittings / ancillaries / containers with wetted surface proportion of: | <input type="checkbox"/> Metals: C1 (components <10%) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> <10% (P2) <input type="checkbox"/> <1% (P3) | <input type="checkbox"/> Metals: C2 (outside of domestic drinking water distribution system) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Pre-product <input type="checkbox"/> Intermediate product <input type="checkbox"/> Formulation | <input type="checkbox"/> Metals: D (components <10, outside of domestic drinking water distribution system) |

Manufacturer + Production site:	
Contact person, E-Mail:	
Street, No.:	
ZIP Code, Place, Country:	
Telephone No.:	

(For assembled products: Production site where the product is assembled)

Assignment for the **type test** (initial testing) according to *UBA-Evaluation criteria*

- ☐ The type test is applied for at **OFI**
- ☐ The type test is applied for at the body

Information on the **formulation**:

- ☐ Are submitted by the applicant using the OFI-Form *GP33-FO29-CERT Formulation disclosure* or OFI-Form *GP33-FO29-CERT Formulation disclosure_ceramics*

It is confirmed that no application for certification has been submitted to any other accredited body for the product(s) and that the following *Conditions for issuing attestations of conformity* (p. 3-5) as well as the *General Terms and Conditions (GTC)* in the current version (available at <https://www.ofi.at/en>) are accepted.

Place, Date

Legally binding signature

erstellt: Datum und Unterschrift	V. Thoeny 2025-03-10	geprüft: Datum und Unterschrift	G. Jechlinger 2025-04-18	freigegeben: Datum und Unterschrift	C. Spindler 2025-04-18
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Evaluation of the application for certification
(to be completed by OFI CERT)

Criteria	fulfilled		Remarks OFI CERT
	yes	no	
Fully completed application?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Information about the applicant / manufacturer sufficient?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Certification is a routine service (see also entry for order creation in BMD)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

Telephone protocol or other remarks of OFI CERT (if necessary)

Topic:	
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Application (Certification request)

is

- ☐ accepted
- ☐ declined (The applicant shall be informed of the reasons in written form)

Date:

Ing. Mag.(FH) Günter JECHLINGER
Head of Certification Body OFI CERT

Conditions for issuing attestations of conformity

1 Purpose

The Österreichische Forschungsinstitut für Chemie und Technik (OFI) is active and accredited as a certification, testing and inspection body for products and processes (hereinafter processes are subsumed under the term products).

The OFI has the competence, responsibility and impartiality to carry out conformity assessments in accordance with specified procedural and implementation rules on the basis of harmonized European standards and draft standards, European Technical Approvals or assessment documents respectively or other technical specifications, which can be used as proof of conformity in the regulated and voluntary area. For the certification program *Suitability of products regarding contact with drinking water (KTW)*, the current version of *ZI - 21* applies (available at <https://www.ofi.at/en/certification/certification-offers>).

2 Issue

The issue of an attestation of conformity has to be applied for at the certification body OFI CERT. The conformity assessment procedure according to *System 1+* requires the conclusion of a certification agreement (contract) between the applicant (future certificate holder) and the certification body OFI CERT. This contract defines the rights and obligations of the contracting parties. The procedure ends with the issue of an attestation of conformity based on a positive assessment report. This assessment report includes the assessment of the report on the type test of the products, as well as the assessment of the report on the inspection of the production site and the manufacturer's factory production control (FPC).

The conformity assessment procedure according to the *Simplified procedure* does not involve the conclusion of a certification agreement. This procedure ends with the issue of an attestation of conformity based on the positive assessment of the report on the type test of the products. The *Simplified procedure* does not require an inspection of the production site and the FPC.

The validity of the attestation of conformity is set at a maximum of 5 years. Attestations of conformity remain in the ownership of the certification body OFI CERT even after they have been issued.

3 Maintenance of the attestation of conformity

The conformity assessment procedure according to *System 1+* requires an inspection of the production site and the FPC as well as testing of test samples taken during the inspection at the production site at a specified interval (at least once a year). The attestation of conformity remains valid in case of a positive result of the inspection of the production site and the FPC as well as a positive result of the test of the samples taken at the production site and, if applicable, the measures from the assessment report have been implemented. The conformity assessment procedure according to the *Simplified procedure* does not include an inspection of the production site, but only the type test on test samples (initial test). After expiry of the validity of the attestation of conformity, a new application and a new type test (initial test) are required for both conformity assessment procedures.

4 Amendment of the attestation of conformity

The certificate holder is obliged to notify the certification body OFI CERT of any changes to the certified content in a timely manner so that the additional tests determined to be necessary can be carried out before the start of serial production. This specifically includes the following changes:

- Changes in legal, economic or organizational status or ownership (impact on contracts, agreements and attestations of conformity)
- Organization and management and significant changes to the quality management system (impact on the manufacturer's factory production control (FPC))
- Any changes to the raw materials used (e.g. replacement of components) and changes to the product (including packaging, storage, etc.) or the manufacturing method (e.g. setting parameters, use of additives for processing)
- Contact addresses and production sites (impact on contracts, agreements and attestations of conformity)
- Change, addition or deletion of external raw material and/or component manufacturers listed in the BOM (parts list) (e.g. for assembled products)

The certification body OFI CERT decides on the effects of the respective changes.

5 Suspension of the attestation of conformity

The certificate holder must notify the certification body OFI CERT immediately and verifiably of any suspension of production of the certified products for a period of more than 6 months. The certification body shall subsequently decide on the restriction or suspension of the attestation of conformity and on the procedure for resuming production and regaining certification.

6 Expiry of the attestation of conformity

An attestation of conformity expires when

- the specified period of validity has expired;
- the certificate holder terminates the certification contract in writing by registered letter with three months' notice to December 31 of each year;
- the legal requirements on which the attestation of conformity is based and/or the requirements of the accreditation authority change.

7 Withdrawal of the attestation of conformity

An attestation of conformity may be withdrawn from the certificate holder with immediate effect - after an opportunity to comment - if

- the test on test samples for the certified products and a subsequent repeat test are negative;
- the certificate holder makes changes or has changes made to the certified version(s) of the product without the consent of the certification body OFI CERT;
- the measures in the assessment report are not verified in due time;
- he misuses the attestation of conformity;
- claims of the certification body OFI CERT against the certificate holder are not paid in full despite reminders.
- if the conditions for maintaining the attestation of conformity are not met (Section 3)

8 Test samples

Test samples must be provided by the applicant. In the case of *System 1+* certification, test samples have to be taken by the auditor during the inspection at the production site. Test samples are the property of the certification body OFI CERT, unless otherwise agreed in writing in advance. In the case of groups of products, the certification body OFI CERT shall decide on the components to be tested, with consideration of the underlying evaluation criteria.

9 Obligations of the certificate holder

The certificate holder or the manufacturer of the certified products is obliged to

- to always comply with the relevant requirements of the certification program *ZI - 21 Suitability of products regarding contact with drinking water (KTW)* and these *Conditions*;
- to undertake all arrangements for future assessments to be carried out by the certification body OFI CERT and to provide the body with records and other documents for reviewing the documentation;
- to keep records of complaints by third parties on certified products;
- to notify the certification body OFI CERT of any changes to the certified content (section 4);
- to publish the attestation of conformity only in its entirety and in unaltered form and not to use it in an abusive and/or misleading manner;
- to return the attestation of conformity concerned to the OFI CERT certification body in the event of the expiry or withdrawal of the attestation of conformity, which remains the property of the certification body OFI CERT even after it has been issued (Section 2).

10 Publication, duty of disclosure and reporting

The issue of the attestation of conformity as well as its amendment, suspension, expiry or withdrawal are published on the homepage of the certification body OFI CERT and - if necessary - also in other published documents, with reference to the certificate number. The certification body OFI CERT holds a complete list of the issued certificates / attestations of conformity (<https://www.ofi.at/en/certification/certificates-issued>).

The certification body OFI CERT is obliged to inform the notifying authority immediately and verifiably of the refusal, restriction, suspension or withdrawal of certificates issued within the scope of accreditation or notification. In addition, the certification body OFI CERT is obliged to transmit information to the EU market surveillance authorities.

11 Confidentiality

All persons and bodies of OFI involved in the conformity assessment procedure are obliged to maintain confidentiality (see OFI General Terms and Conditions, available at <https://www.ofi.at/en>).

12 Complaints, appeals and disputes

Complaints and appeals in connection with certifications should be addressed to complaints-ofi-cert@ofi.at. Disputes that may arise in connection with certification are submitted to the arbitration tribunal of the certification body OFI CERT for a decision and dealt with accordingly. A decision after hearing both parties is binding for both sides.

13 Transitional provisions

These conditions apply from March 1, 2025 and replace the version dated November 1, 2021.