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## **REGULATORY REQUIREMENT FOR MARINE-DERIVED COMPOUNDS IN COSMETICS, FOOD SUPPLEMENTS, AND MEDICINES**

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- The cosmetic industry, which is dynamic and fast-paced, also requires strict regulation. Regulatory frameworks worldwide are quite similar, though differences exist between regions.
- Below is an overview of key regulatory bodies and laws governing cosmetic products across different countries.



Country/Region	Regulatory Bodies	Key Laws/Regulations
United States	Food and Drugs Administration (FDA)	Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (FD&C Act), Fair Packaging and Labeling Act (FPLA) (1)
Canada	Health Canada	Cosmetic Regulation Act (1977), Food and Drugs Act (1985) (2)
Brazil	Ministry of Health, ANVISA, GHCOS	Various regulations overseeing cosmetic safety and quality (3)
Japan	Ministry of Health, Labor, and Welfare	Pharmaceutical and Medical Devices Law (PMDL) (4)
China	SAMR, NMPA, GAC	Cosmetic Supervision and Administration Regulation (CSAR), replacing CHSR in 2021 (5)
European Union	European Commission	Regulation (EC) N° 1223/2009 (6)



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## EUROPEAN COSMETIC REGULATIONS (EC) N° 1223/2009

- In the European Union, Regulation (EC) N° 1223/2009 (6), is the primary regulatory framework governing cosmetic products.
- It mandates that all cosmetics placed on the market must be safe for human health when used under normal or foreseeable conditions.
- This regulation focuses on ensuring product safety and setting guidelines for manufacturers, including the preparation of a Cosmetic Product Safety Report (CPSR).



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## SAFETY REQUIREMENTS

**Cosmetic Product Safety Report (CPSR):**The CPSR includes two key parts:

- **Part A:** Cosmetic product safety information (e.g., toxicological profile, chemical structure, exposure).
- **Part B:** Cosmetic product safety assessment.
- The CPSR, along with the Product Information File (PIF), must be kept updated by manufacturers and available for authorities if required.



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## Animal Testing and Alternative Methods

- Animal testing for cosmetics has been banned in many countries, including the EU. Therefore, raw material safety is evaluated using alternative validated methods such as:

### In vitro tests:

- **Skin/Eye Irritation:** EpiDerm (OECD 439) and EpiOcular (OECD 492).
- **Mutagenicity/Genotoxicity:** Ames Test (OECD 471) and Chromosome Aberration Test (OECD 473).
- **Photo-toxicity:** 3T3 NRU.



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### In vivo tests:

- Human Repeated Insult Patch Test (HRIPT).

## REACH REGULATION FOR CHEMICALS

- Any chemical, whether macro-, micro-, or nano scale, introduced into the EU market must comply with the REACH regulation (Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006). This ensures a thorough assessment of hazards and exposure risks.

## GOOD MANUFACTURING PRACTICES (GMP)

- Regulation N° 1223/2009 requires that all cosmetics must be produced in accordance with [Good Manufacturing Practices \(GMP\)](#). GMP ensures a clean production environment and guarantees that products are free from contamination during manufacturing.



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## INGREDIENT DECLARATION AND LABELING

- **INCI Compliance:** Ingredients must be listed using the International Nomenclature of Cosmetic Ingredients (INCI) on the product packaging or in an enclosed leaflet if space is limited.
- **Cosmetic Products Notification Portal (CPNP):** Before products can be sold in the European market, they must be listed in the CPNP database.
- This allows authorities (e.g., poison centers) to access cosmetic product information for market surveillance and safety planning.



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## **COSMETIC CLAIMS AND LABELING**

- The EU Cosmetics Regulation has specific requirements regarding the labeling of products.
- This includes the name of the product, list of ingredients, expiration dates, and any special precautions for use.
- Labels must also adhere to rules governing claims made about the product's effectiveness and characteristics.







## **COSMETIC INGREDIENT DOSSIER (CID)**

A Cosmetic Ingredient Dossier (CID) must be compiled for each ingredient used in a cosmetic product. This dossier typically includes:

- Raw data: Evaluating safety.
- Technical Data Sheet (TDS).
- [Material Safety Data Sheet \(MSDS\)](#).
- Allergen Declarations.
- [Certificates of Analysis \(CoA\)](#).
- Certificates of Conformity.
- Free-from Certificates.
- Efficacy Studies.





## CONCLUSION

- Marine-derived compounds hold significant potential in cosmetics, food supplements, and medicines.
- However, the development of such products requires strict adherence to various national and international regulatory frameworks.
- Manufacturers must ensure their products are safe, comply with established guidelines, and are properly labelled and marketed.



- The full potential of marine-derived compounds with [FRL](#) has expertise formulation services for [cosmeceuticals](#).
- Our team ensures products meet standard regulatory requirements across global markets, including quires and compliance with EU regulations.
- We help you with the process of complexities of ingredient verification, Cosmetic Product Safety Reports (CPSR), and [Good Manufacturing Practices \(GMP\)](#), ensuring efficiency, safety with market upgrades.



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