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Bureau Veritas Consumer Products Services

# Supply Chain Risk Management Solutions

*for the Furniture Market*

## THE CHALLENGE

Furniture manufacturers, distributors and retailers are increasingly sourcing from a worldwide chain of suppliers, making the quality & safety assessment of furniture even more challenging. Adding to the complexity, is the need to identify and meet regulatory and industry standards for the multiple markets in which the furniture will be distributed.



## OUR APPROACH: A COMPLETE SUPPLY CHAIN RISK MANAGEMENT SOLUTION

*Our approach is to provide you with a global Supply Chain Risk Management solution which enables each participant in your supply chain to satisfy all of these following requirements: quality, safety, compliance, speed-to-market, efficiency, security, transparency and ethical & environmental credentials.*

*Our solution falls into two categories: **Supply Chain Quality Management** and **Corporate & Social Responsibility**.*

## SAFETY & QUALITY TESTING

We can test your furniture to the following standards:

- **BS 4875 Part 1:** Strength & durability of seating
- **BS 4875 Parts 7 & 8:** Strength & stability of domestic and contract storage furniture
- **BS 5459 Part 2, BS EN 527 Parts 1, 2, 3:** Office furniture
- **BS EN 1729-1 & -2, BS 5873:** Educational furniture
- **BS EN 581-1, -2 & -3:** Outdoor furniture
- **BS EN 1022:** Stability of domestic seating
- **BS EN 1725, EN 747-1, BS 8509 :** Beds & mattresses
- **BS EN 12521:** Strength & stability of domestic tables
- **BS EN 14749:** Safety of domestic storage





Our services include a host of testing to ensure whatever your requirements, we have the ability to ensure a rigorous approach with a fast turnaround. We can test for:

- Safety Capability
- Strength
- Stability
- Fatigue/Durability
- Impact
- Flammability
- Chemicals



In addition to national and international regulatory standards, we can test your furniture to **industry and retailers' quality standards**.

Our technicians can also conduct **comparative testing** and **evaluate the design**, construction and safety of your furniture at various stages of production.

## RELATED SERVICES

### Technical Consultancy

If you need guidance with your quality assurance issues, our technical experts can help you determine which standards you need to meet to access the markets of your choice, assist you in interpreting testing reports and provide product design evaluations.

### Corporate Social Responsibility solutions



Bureau Veritas' experts can assist furniture manufacturers, distributors and retailers in developing a Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) programme in order to assess and reduce their environmental, social, economic and ethical impacts.

Our services include: ecodesign and product life cycle assessment, chemical management system audit, social accountability audit, restricted substance testing and energy consumption testing.

## WHY CHOOSE BUREAU VERITAS?

### ■ Experience you can rely on:

With a successful 30 year history, we have the experience to deal with a wide variety of testing and compliance in a fast and accurate way.

### ■ Global footprint:

With over 40,000 staff (over 7,500 dedicated towards consumer products) in more than 140 countries, we have the resources to support your business.

### ■ Technical Knowledge:

Our consultants participate in the development of industry and regulatory standards worldwide, keeping you and us at the forefront of changes in safety requirements and testing methods.

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