

**CFFA-HC-201 HEALTHCARE STANDARD CERTIFICATION –  
FOR RECOMMENDED MINIMUM PERFORMANCE STANDARDS FOR VINYL-COATED AND OTHER  
CHEMICAL COATED FABRICS - HEALTHCARE**

The Chemical Fabrics and Film Association (CFFA) offers a self-certification program for manufacturers and sellers of coated fabrics that meet CFFA-Healthcare-201 - Minimum Performance Standards for Vinyl-Coated and Other Chemical Coated Upholstery Fabrics for the healthcare environment (CFFA-HC-201). The CFFA-HC-201 certification mark will help specifiers, designers, and furniture manufacturers more easily identify appropriate coated fabrics for the healthcare environment, which may reduce product failures.

CFFA developed the CFFA-HC-201 standard to help prevent failures that were occurring in the healthcare environment. The 16 test methods were specifically selected and designed to help ensure fabric selection for the healthcare environment will be reliable and fit for use for many years.

In order for a coated fabric to be certified, it must pass all 16 tests in CFFA-HC-201 through an accredited laboratory. An accredited laboratory is one that has been accredited to ISO 17025 or IATF 16949 and whose accreditation is in effect when the required tests are made and reported. In performing the required tests, an accredited lab must adhere to CFFA's standard conditions of test methods as outlined in ASTM D751-19 - Standard Test Methods for Coated Fabrics.

Products certified to CFFA-HC-201 can be found on the CFFA Website [here](#).

***By choosing CFFA-HC-201 Certified products/patterns,  
you can be sure a product complies with the standard.***



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**CERTIFYING PRODUCTS AND PRIVATE LABELING CERTIFIED PRODUCTS:** Both manufacturers and distributors may self-certify products/patterns and license the certification mark to identify certified products. Self-certification and private labeling a previously certified product/pattern also require a License and applicable licensing fee. The license agreement must be signed in order to utilize the certification mark to ensure adherence to the CFFA-HC-201 standard and certification program guidelines. Fees for certifying products have been simplified:

<b>Certification of:</b>	<b>Manufacturers:</b>	<b>Distributors*</b>	<b>CFFA Members</b>
Per Pattern**	\$250	\$250	No fee
*For products/patterns not already certified by a manufacturer.			
**\$250 per pattern, capped at \$7,500			
<b>Private Label of:</b>	<b>Distributors</b>		
1-10 Patterns:	\$250 total		
11-20 Patterns:	\$500 total		
21 or more Patterns:	\$1,000 total		

**Renewal Fees:**

On an annual basis, all participants (manufacturers and distributors) who have certified or private labeled product(s)/pattern(s) must pay a renewal fee of:

\$1,000 (non-CFFA members)  
\$250 (CFFA members)

**LICENSING AND UTILIZING THE MARK:** Distributors and furniture manufacturers who would like to use the mark when promoting previously certified products/patterns on their own marketing materials and website may obtain a royalty-free License Agreement for that purpose if

- the licensee uses the manufacturer’s product/pattern name,
- changes have not been made to the product/pattern, and
- guidelines must be followed for use for the mark.

No fee is required from a furniture manufacturer who licenses the mark to use the mark to sell furniture incorporating a previously certified product/pattern.

Please review the [Procedural Guidelines](#) for more details on the program.

For more information, please contact the CFFA office at [cffa@chemicalfabricsandfilm.com](mailto:cffa@chemicalfabricsandfilm.com).



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