



TERMS OF USE AGREEMENT

MAKE LIFE SAFER® PROGRAM
FURNITURE FLAMMABILITY TESTING



Protecting Your Brand- and Ours.

The UFAC Make Life Safer® program is meaningful to consumers and furniture manufacturers because it provides manufacturers with an independent verification program and useful manufacturing criteria to help manufacturers select appropriate materials for safer upholstered furniture. Fires beginning from smoldering sources are well-documented as being the deadliest kind of home fire. UFAC's independent testing program allows manufacturers to meet and exceed current national furniture flammability testing requirements.

To best protect the credibility of the program and its use in properly marketing upholstered furniture, all participating manufacturers must agree to the following Terms of Use. These Terms of Use provide the value behind your company's use of the Make Life Safer hangtag and associated marketing.

Program Eligibility & Participation Requirements

Furniture manufacturers and importers are eligible to participate in the UFAC Make Life Safer program by:

- Agreeing to comply with these Terms of Use
- Agreeing to annually provide to UFAC's 3rd party laboratory partners representative samples from their supply chain in order to verify that their component materials meet current smolder flammability testing requirements
- Agreeing to obtain and maintain Supplier Declaration of Conformity letters on an annual basis from each of the company's suppliers

UFAC is responsible for maintaining these Terms of Use and may occasionally update them, including the tests performed and component materials subject to testing under the program. UFAC reserves the right to request Supplier Declaration of Conformity letters to validate a company's compliance with these Terms of Use.

How it Works

Participating companies are required to submit samples of component materials including barrier material, resilient filling material (foam, batting and loose fill), decking material, and welt cord to UFAC's independent lab partner with the required product details outlined on the UFAC Test Sample Registration form available on the UFAC online portal. UFAC funds, generated from hangtag sales, pay for all of these testing costs for participating manufacturers.

Once UFAC receives passing results back from its lab partners, your company will be notified that it is eligible to participate in the program, at which point your company is required to purchase Make Life Safer hangtags, in quantities consistent with production volume, to attach to your furniture products. Companies must also comply with these Terms of Use. Re-testing will be carried out on at least one set of samples on an annual basis.

Participants must sign and return Agreement Form A (page 5-6).

Testing, Documentation & Recordkeeping

Testing: Testing will be carried out by one of UFAC's trusted, accredited, and independent 3rd party laboratory partners. Using the national furniture flammability requirements (TB 117 (2013) + ASTM E1353-08a)+, UFAC also includes testing to its welt cord test protocol, based on more than 40 years of flammability testing for the industry.

Documentation: Test reports will be maintained by UFAC on behalf of your company. Your company will be provided with - and should maintain a copy of these test reports - along with supplier declarations of conformity to support the company's claims regarding smolder flammability test results. Supplier declarations of conformity should indicate whether the component complies with the federal furniture flammability requirements and, in the case of welt cord, with the UFAC requirements. Cover fabric suppliers should specify whether their fabrics are "Type 1" or "Type 2" UFAC fabrics, the latter of which would require the use of compliant barrier materials per TB117 (2013).

Marketing Claims

Companies that are eligible to participate can make the following claim as outlined on the UFAC Make Life Safer hangtags: "Upholstered furniture bearing this Make Life Safer tag complies with UFAC's independent safety program, which provides state-of-the-art manufacturing criteria to design safer furniture that is more resistant to dangerous smoldering fires and is consistent with the federal furniture flammability safety standard."

No statement should be made that is broader than the statement above nor should any statement seek to imply that the furniture or the component parts therein are somehow "fireproof" or "fire resistant" or "fire retardant" or similar descriptions.

If claims are made beyond those authorized in this document, UFAC may remove a manufacturer from the program. UFAC will gladly review advertisements, press releases, and similar documents to assist with avoidance of the use of unintentionally deceptive language. See Technical Specifications – [UFAC Samples](#) for a list of the current material components for which the Make Life Safer Program tests.

To the extent that a participating company does not have the necessary information required by the UFAC verification program in its file to support its claims, it is not authorized to participate in or making use of the Make Life Safer program claims, logos, seals, hangtags, or intellectual property. Such companies should clearly and prominently qualify their own company's claims to the extent necessary to avoid potentially providing misleading and deceptive claims.

Tag Use

The Make Life Safer tag or logo cannot be the only identification on a furniture product tag or package, as this may lead a consumer to mistakenly believe that the Make Life Safer program is the manufacturer of the product. The tag or logo must be used only with the name, website, or some contact point, of the manufacturer of the product. Make Life Safer tags can be personalized with manufacturer's contact information and logo if desired.

Language Requirements

UFAC® and the Make Life Safer® names and uses are trademarked and protected. When using any of those terms, the ® mark must be used.

Whenever possible, use language and claims pertaining to the Make Life Safer® program as shown on the informative hang tags below.



CHOOSE SAFER FURNITURE

The U.S. government estimates there are an average of 350,000 home fires a year. Don't let your home become part of this statistic.

The good news is that this upholstered furniture is part of the MAKE LIFE SAFER verification program. Using safer design criteria and materials may help provide valuable extra time to escape to safety. The program relies on an independent accredited laboratory to conduct smoldering fire ignitions tests using a state-of-the-art protocol.

For over 40 years, UFAC, a not-for-profit 501(c)(3) industry organization, has developed guidelines and provided manufacturers with best practices on selecting materials to lower the risk of fires from smoldering materials, such as cigarettes and similar ignition sources.

Selecting MAKE LIFE SAFER verified furniture is an important part of your family's fire safety plan.

Learn more about the solution at
UFAC.ORG



WARNING



FLAMMABLE

Keep upholstery away from open flame, candles, lighters, matches or any smoking materials, like cigarettes.

Smoldering fires are the leading cause of death and personal injury in residential home fires. You have purchased upholstery that is constructed using the state-of-the-art UFAC Construction Criteria to be more resistant to smoldering fires. MAKE LIFE SAFER verified furniture may provide you and your family with valuable extra time to escape to safety.

Furniture, carpet, cabinets, window coverings and other home accessories are not fireproof and can ignite. If ignited, upholstery may burn rapidly and emit toxic gas and dangerous, thick smoke. For your safety, call 911 and leave home immediately.

SMOKE DETECTORS SAVE LIVES

Replace batteries every 6 months or purchase modern, 10-year long-life smoke detectors.

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Safer furniture helps prevent the spread of smoldering fires to provide a safer home for you and your family.

Upholstered furniture bearing this MAKE LIFE SAFER verification tag complies with UFAC's independent safety program, which provides state-of-the-art manufacturing criteria for participating manufacturers to design furniture that is more resistant to dangerous smoldering fires.



Sign up for text or email ALERTS with quarterly tips on fire safety practices at ufac.org/alerts

UFAC
make life safer®

The MAKE LIFE SAFER verification program helps to protect your family from fire.

Learn more about the solution at
UFAC.ORG



Agreement Form A
Make Life Safer® Terms of Use Agreement

Contact _____ Date _____

Email _____ Phone Number _____

Company _____

Mailing Address _____

Website _____

Customer Service Contact (if different) _____

Email _____ Phone Number _____

How do you want your company/brand listed on the UFAC/Make Life Safer website?
Please list any brands a customer might search for.

Name of Company or Brands to be listed:

Website address (write N/A if you would prefer to not link a website):

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As an authorized representative of _____ we agree to the conditions and terms of the UFAC Make Life Safer Verification Program as set forth herein, including the following terms:

- We have read and understand the UFAC Make Life Safer Program Terms of Agreement Manual. It is our responsibility to inform employees, contractors, and/or consultants about the Terms of Agreement rules.
- We agree to the conditions and terms of usage of the UFAC Make Life Safer logo, name and product tags.
- We agree to indemnify, hold harmless, and defend UFAC, its officers, directors, and employees against any damages, liability, costs, or expenses, including attorneys' fees and costs, arising out of third party claims in connection with our use of the UFAC Make Life Safer logo or name.

Signature _____ Date _____

Title _____

Manufacturers are encouraged to agree to these Terms of Use Agreement through the UFAC Online Portal

If you prefer to submit in writing, please send through email to: info@ufac.org

by fax: (336)885-5072

or by mail to: UFAC, PO Box 2436 High Point, NC 27261

www.ufac.org

UFAC Make Life Safer Program Terms of Use Agreement are subject to change. By registering, you are giving UFAC express permission to email program updates and information to representatives of your company.