Pre-Production: Social Responsibility Considerations

Intended for intermediate compliance programs

Key activity: Product development; inspection checklist; pre-purchase testing

Step-by-step approach to consider risk related to social responsibility during the pre-production stage.

- If not already completed, perform a social accountability audit to identify potential hazards of the specific factory approved to make your products.

- Create a corrective action plan (CAP) that includes all audit findings.
  - The CAP should outline appropriate steps to resolve audit findings. This includes providing a root cause, corrective and preventive action, and proof of correction (e.g. photo or document) of each audit finding.

- Develop a vendor scorecard to measure performance across a wide range of manufacturer scoring factors.

- If necessary, obtain the client or end-buyer's approval of the factory prior to issuing a P.O. for the order.