

Your challenges

With interest in the social cost of manufacturing on the rise, it is important for retailers, manufacturers, importers and trading companies to implement a process for managing risks related to supply chain social compliance. The discovery of unethical or unlawful working practices in supply chains can lead to tarnished brand reputations and poor financial results. Suppliers that work with various trading companies can save time and money through a social compliance initiative that eliminates the need for multiple audits.

What is the Business Social Compliance Initiative?

The Business Social Compliance Initiative (BSCI) is a broad-based business-driven platform for social compliance monitoring and qualification of the supply chain. The BSCI 2.0 Code of Conduct includes elements of social management system and cascade effect, workers involvement and protection, freedom of association and the right to collective bargaining, prohibition of discrimination, fair remuneration, decent working hours, workplace health and safety, prohibition of child labour,

special protection for young workers, prohibition of forced and compulsory labour and disciplinary measures, environment and ethical business behaviours.

Why is BSCI 2.0 important for your business?

The BSCI 2.0 audit protocol demonstrates commitment to ethical treatment of a company's workforce throughout the entire supply chain. BSCI 2.0 participants have exclusive access to the BSCI 2.0 database, clear assessment of audit results, an enhanced relationship with suppliers and an improved reputation. Suppliers of BSCI 2.0 participants can avoid the need for multiple audits through recognition by different BSCI 2.0 participants, improve their awareness of working conditions and ethical audit protocols, and leverage a good result in a BSCI 2.0 audit to gain an easier access for the SA8000® certification process.

How can we help you?

As a third-party auditing body, TÜV SÜD conducts audits in accordance with BSCI 2.0. We offer worldwide support with competent local auditors recognised by SAI.

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Your business benefits

SIX STEPS TO THE BSCI 2.0 AUDIT

Read and adopt the BSCI Code of Conduct both internally and within your supply chain.

Request an audit with participant authorisation on online BSCI platform.

Fill in a self-assessment tool / audit application and obtain customised quote.

Undergo a semi-announced / unannounced audit.

Receive a corrective action plan, followed by corrective phase to improve your compliance.

If required, undergo a follow-up audit within 12 months of initial audit to assure your commitment to BSCI.

- Increase productivity by improving working conditions to create a highly motivated workforce.
- Save time and money with a social compliance platform that eliminates the need for multiple audits.
- Minimise risks with safer working conditions, eliminating the chance of harm to employees and damage to your business reputation.
- Gain a competitive edge by enhancing your reputation for ethical business practices, which will

- earn the respect of customers, employees, stockholders, regulators and competitors.
- Benefit from our expertise as we are an accredited Certification Body recognised by SAAS (Social Accountability Accreditation Services), capable of conducting the BSCI 2.0 and SA8000® audits with independence and impartiality.

Why choose TÜV SÜD?

TÜV SÜD's global network provides multidisciplinary expertise for a wide range of auditing and certification services in key markets. We act as a one-stop service provider for companies requiring social compliance programmes and management systems standards, integrating your existing systems such as BSCI 2.0 and SA8000® with other management systems such as ISO 9001, ISO 14001 and OHSAS 18001.

As part of our commitment to unparalleled service quality, our inspectors and auditors are required to adhere to our strict Code of Conduct. This ensures the expert opinions they provide are professional, independent and impartial.

Add value. Inspire trust.

TÜV SÜD is a trusted partner of choice for safety, security and sustainability solutions. It specialises in testing, certification, auditing and advisory services. Through more than 24,000 employees across over 1,000 locations, the company adds value to customers and partners by enabling market access and managing risks. By anticipating technological developments and facilitating change, TÜV SÜD inspires trust in a physical and digital world to create a safer and more sustainable future.

Related services

TÜV SÜD provides the following related services:

- SA8000® (Social Accountability Management System) certification
- Ethical Trading Initiative (ETI) audit
- Worldwide Responsible Accredited Production (WRAP) certification
- Code of Conduct (CoC) social compliance audit
- Fire safety scan service