



NFSI Product Certification Application

ORGANIZATION/CONTACT INFORMATION

Organization/Company Name

Primary Contact Name

Title

Phone

Email

Street Address

City

State

Zip Code

Alternate Contact Name

Title

Phone

Email

PRODUCT INFORMATION

Product Name

Intended Use

Is the product a permanent installation? Yes No

*If yes, manufacturer will need to provide a testing location.

Is the product marketed under any other names? Yes No

If so, please list all other names under which the product is marketed (use a separate sheet if necessary):

PAYMENT OPTIONS

Method of Payment:

(US funds drawn on US bank or charge authorization)

Phase 1 (\$295)

Phase 2 (\$2,950)

Check (made payable to NFSI)

Visa

MasterCard

American Express

Card Number

Expiration Date

Cardholder Name

Statement Address for Credit Card

City

State

Zip Code

Before submitting a product & application please contact the NFSI to obtain a physical address for shipping products.

NFSI Product Certification Testing Methodology

NFSI product certification is intended to provide product manufacturers the means to have their products independently evaluated for wet slip resistance. The end result is to provide the end-user relevant information as to make a more informed buying decision. The NFSI has spent more than ten years researching various test methods by which walkway materials, coatings, chemical cleaning agents and treatments can be evaluated for their degree of slip resistance, which has resulted in the most comprehensive evaluation process. For a product to achieve NFSI certification status, it must pass both the laboratory phase of evaluation (Phase 1. Testing) as well as a field test (Phase 2. Testing). A description of each phase of testing follows:

Phase 1. - Laboratory Testing

Products seeking NFSI certification are tested in accordance with either the NFSI 101-A (flooring material or coating) or NFSI 101-B (chemical cleaners or treatments) method and are tested using the BOT-3000. Each product is tested in its "as is " or "as applied" state (See submittal guidelines). Upon completion of laboratory testing, the applicant receives a written report as to the products SCOF results. If the product produces a wet SCOF value of 0.6 or greater (Minimum Acceptable Value) it will qualify for Phase 2 testing. The cost for laboratory testing is \$295 per product and is due upon with submission of a certification application. The applicant can expect that the laboratory testing will be completed approximately 10 days from receipt of the product by the testing laboratory. A minimum quantity of product is required for testing. For chemical cleaning agents or treatments, a minimum of one gallon is required, while for floor coverings, a minimum of three (3) square feet of material is required.

Phase 2. - Field Testing

In order for a product to qualify for phase two testing it must have first satisfactory completed Phase 1 testing. Upon receipt of the product(s) that have qualified for phase two (field) testing, an NFSI technician will install or apply the product in a real world application (Test Site) for a minimum of thirty days. The product will be maintained as specified by the manufacturer for the entire test period. After the minimum test period has expired, a member of the NFSI technical team will inspect and prepare the test site for testing in accordance with either the NFSI 101-A or NFSI 101-B standard. If the product meets or exceeds the minimum acceptable value it will become certified as "High Traction" by the NFSI. The cost of certification is \$2,950 per product and is due upon receipt. The applicant can expect that the field testing will be completed in approximately 45 days. A sufficient amount of product or material is required for field testing. For chemical cleaning agents or treatments, a minimum 30-day supply is required, while for floor coverings, a minimum of nine (9) square feet of material is required.

NFSI Certified products will be listed on the NFSI website unless the applicant explicitly instructs the NFSI not to do so. Products that are submitted, but do not meet the Minimum Accepted Value will not be certified and will not be listed on the NFSI's website. The certification period lasts three (3) years and products are required to apply for re-certification at the end of the three-year period consistent with the NFSI certified product re-certification policy. Specifically, product certification registrants are required to complete a Recertification Application (attached) and undergo re-testing (if necessary). The cost to re-certify an NFSI Certified product is \$500 and will extend the certification period for an additional three years. An applicant is granted a limited right to use the "NFSI Certified" logo on the product as well as all materials (ie: brochures, packaging, etc.) for the period under which the product is certified. For more information regarding permissible logo use, please refer to the NFSI logo policy (attached).