

## RSL Guardian

### A Complete Restricted Substance Management Solution for Apparel, Footwear and Consumer Products

Industry associations, major brands and many state jurisdictions have published lists of Restricted Substances that are lengthy, overlapping and ever-changing. The pressures and requirements related to achieving Restricted Substance compliance are mounting, and the risks of non-compliance are increasing. Now, there is a Restricted Substance solution that comprehensively addresses these challenges, mitigating RSL risk for today and into the future.

RSL Guardian is a managed service with current and continually updated Master RSLs as defined by industry associations or your own corporate RSL testing protocols. RSL Guardian allows clients to then customize their creation of RSLs by category to clearly communicate test standards across the supply chain and consistently test to verify that components and/or products are meeting RSL requirements.

Complete and Comprehensive Managed RSL

Current & Continually Updated Test Methods and Acceptable Limits



Web-Based and Easy-To-Deploy Solution

Flexible pick-and-choose standards are securely shared by brands with vendors and labs using the Texbase Connect real-time collaboration network, making communication of standards and collection of test data both fast and easy.

Affordable and Flexible Terms

Using RSL Guardian is an easy, click and run process. The system's automated update and management capabilities minimizes the burden of ongoing management of a brand's restricted substance lists. As the Master Restricted Substance Lists change with updated acceptable limits, the system provides notification of changes required to RSL currently in use.

# RSL Guardian Functionality

## Extensive RSL Libraries

RSL Guardian includes easy to reference RSL libraries from AAFA, AFIRM or corporate standards, with version control and cascading updates.

## Flexible RSL Development Process

RSL Guardian enables users to create RSLs for fabrics, components or finished products by selecting all or part of an RSL library. The system allows users to easily adjust or modify acceptable limits for standards based upon regulatory objectives or internal requirements.

## Automatic Updates

RSL Guardian automates the management of Restricted Substance Lists and provides notification of new versions and new limits. The system also alerts users of possible changes required to an existing RSL and easily enables updates and maintenance to standards when changes occur.

## Broad Collaboration and Consistency

RSL Guardian includes unlimited connectivity across the Texbase Connect real-time collaboration network to securely facilitate brand, vendor and lab communications to test against specifications and verify RSL compliance. The system auto-configures test standards based upon a specification or certification and includes electronic signature capability and documentation of final specification. RSL Guardian provides standardization and consistency for testing and certification workflow.

## Actionable Reporting and Information

RSL Guardian dashboards show testing and certification status and performance by both Connected vendors and testing labs.

## Texbase Technology

RSL Guardian is software purpose-built by industry and technology experts, delivered as a service using a secure cloud infrastructure and accessed by a web browser. The system is standards-based using best-in-breed software, hardware and management practices. Multi-layer security architecture ensures data protection, secure collaboration and the infrastructure is hosted in Microsoft Azure providing redundancy and resiliency.

## About Texbase

Texbase provides compliance, quality and materials management software solutions that power great product experiences. We innovate quality assurance data management, supplier collaboration and product compliance solutions for the apparel, footwear and consumer products industries. Texbase is a pioneer in web-based business solutions and collaboration platforms that unite brands, retailers, suppliers and testing labs that trace compliance and quality from raw materials to finished product.

*Companies are challenged to manage RSL lists that define and communicate their requirements for insuring the chemical content of their materials, components and finished products.*



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