## **GMP IMPLEMENTATION**



SAFE SUSTAINABLE SOLUTIONS

## **GMP Implementation According to Regulation 2023:2006**

Food Contact Services supports companies in complying with the requirements set by the application of Regulation (EC) 2023/2006. This regulation applies to all sectors and all stages of production, processing, and distribution of raw materials and articles intended to come into contact with food, including the production of raw materials (not applicable to sand mining, oil wells, or iron ore mines), and is a legislative tool issued by the European Union to protect consumers.

This regulation establishes the rules for Good Manufacturing Practices (GMP) for groups of materials and objects intended to come into contact with food (hereinafter referred to as "materials and objects") listed in Annex I of Regulation (EC) No. 1935/2004, as well as combinations of such materials and objects, including recycled materials used in such materials and objects.

As specified in Article 3 of Regulation 2023/2006, the definition of Good Manufacturing Practices for food contact materials (FCMs) identifies these Good Practices as "the aspects of quality assurance that ensure that materials and articles are consistently manufactured and controlled to ensure compliance with the applicable requirements and the appropriate quality standards for their intended use, without posing a risk to human health or altering the composition of the food product in an unacceptable way or causing a deterioration of its organoleptic characteristics".

These good practices apply to all stages of production, processing, and distribution of materials and objects intended to come into contact with food. Therefore, sector operators must ensure full compliance with the general and specific GMP rules set by law.

The annex to Regulation 2023/2006 specifies the specific GMP rules, particularly regarding the application of printing inks on the side of food contact materials (FCMs) that do not come into direct contact with the food product. Such inks must be applied in a way that the substances on the printed surface do not transfer to the side in contact with the product.

## HOW CAN FOOD CONTACT SERVICES HELP CLIENTS WITH GMP COMPLIANCE?

Food Contact Services, thanks to a specialized staff with consolidated experience, is able to assist companies with GMP implementation procedures according to Regulation 2023/2006 (EC) for materials and articles intended to come into contact with food.

This implementation is carried out through the creation of a customized GMP manual tailored to the company's needs, based on the type of food contact materials (FCMs) produced.

This manual will specify all stages of the production chain to ensure compliance with the requirements outlined in Regulation 2023/2006 (EC).

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