

## HOW TO APPLY TO THE KTK

Thank you for your inquiry into the Kosher Technical Konsultants kosher certification services. Kosher Technical Konsultants, division - Orthodox Jewish Council, is amongst one of the largest Kosher certification agencies in the United States, Europe & Asia and a leading authority on Kosher food and Jewish Law. We are recognized by all the major Kosher organizations in the world.

Along with our head office in the United States, we also have representatives in many cities / countries around the world. In this way, we are able to certify your company's products as Kosher at minimal cost.

Our Kosher certificate will also enable your company to be listed in our Kosher Keshet Food Guide, which is used by consumers and food manufacturers all over the world.

**When a company wishes to become certified Kosher these are the necessary procedures that they will encounter:**

### **-APPLICATION FORM-**

The company must fill out the application and provide the information about the plant, product list, ingredients list, including any additives or processing aids. *The list is kept in the strictest of privacy and confidential.*

If you have any questions on the application form, please contact Ms. Moser at our main office at (215) 745-3773 or email to: [coordinator@koshertechnicalkonsultants.org](mailto:coordinator@koshertechnicalkonsultants.org)

The expert team of rabbinical coordinators from the Kashrut Division then reviews the application and a rabbinical coordinator will contact you if there are any questions that we may have. The manufacturing process will also be reviewed including the cleaning procedure.

*Kosher Technical Konsultants has a database of over 50,000 ingredients, which we regularly review and keep up to date. We are able to assist your company to find alternatives if necessary from all over the world.*

### **-Inspection of the Rabbi to your plant:-**

A representative Rabbi from Kosher Technical Konsultants will make a convenient date for an initial inspection of the manufacturing plant company. We will be able to give you an estimate of the Kosher certification fee at this stage. The rabbi will then carry out the thorough inspection of the entire process from manufacturing through to packaging. The Rabbi will also take the time to explain to you what Kosher is about and how your plant will be able to get certified. You may take this opportunity to ask the rabbi your questions on Kosher and the Kosher market. (A deposit for the expenses of the rabbi may be needed depending on the location of the plant).

### **-Certification Fee-**

Finally if everything is acceptable with the ingredient list and the manufacturing process, the next stage will be that the certification fee is paid. The certification fee does not include the expenditure that is incurred by transportation and accommodation (when applicable) and time cost. Sometimes special packages may be negotiated to include the cost of the Rabbis inspection expenses and the Kosher certificate fee.

The level of fees varies for certification between companies depending on the type of product certified and the time and work necessary to research and maintain kosher certification.



*Kosher Technical Konsultants fees are competitive. This way all companies that gain certification for the products can be competitive in their own markets..*

### **-Regular Inspections-**

Our certification does not stop at the issuance of the Kosher certificate but we monitor the Kosher status of the plant by means of regular factory visits. Our local representatives make these visits. This way costs are kept to a minimal.

### **-Contract and Kosher certificate-**

A contract is then signed between the company and Kosher Technical Konsultants to ensure that the products, formulation or key raw materials (where applicable) are not changed without prior approval from Kosher Technical Konsultants. The certificate is issued annually and your company will now be part of the global KTK certified network of companies.

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Sincerely yours,

Rabbi Alan Ira Silver, M.D.  
Director of Supervision

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