

FDA Sends Call to Action to Infant Formula Industry

Call to Action	Description
Evaluate and ensure that appropriate controls are implemented	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Evaluate all stages of production and in-process control (from receipt of raw materials and ingredients through distribution) • Ensure that appropriate controls are implemented in accordance with 21 CFR 106.6(c) at every step
Ensure full compliance with all relevant regulations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Infant Formula requirements pertaining to Current Good Manufacturing Practice, Quality Control Procedures, Quality Factors, Records and Reports, and Notifications rule (21 CFR part 106); and • Current Good Manufacturing Practice, Hazard Analysis, and Risk-Based Preventive Controls for Human Food rule (21 CFR part 117);
Consider the concerns shared in this letter	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Control water in dry production areas • Verify the effectiveness of controls through environmental monitoring • Implement appropriate corrective actions • Implement effective supply-chain controls for biological hazards • Identify all relevant biological hazards
Ensure adherence to the notification requirement of an adulterated infant formula	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In accordance with 21 CFR 106.150, infant formula manufacturers are required to notify FDA of an adulterated or misbranded infant formula any time product has left the facility.
<p>Additionally, we ask that firms voluntarily notify FDA any time a product sample is found to be positive for <i>Cronobacter</i> spp. or <i>Salmonella</i>, even if the affected lot(s) have not been distributed.</p>	