NSF/ANSI 58
TECHNICAL REQUIREMENTS

REVERSE OSMOSIS SYSTEMS

NSF/ANSI 58 is the American National Standard for point-of-use (POU) reverse osmosis (RO) systems. It was developed by a joint committee with equal representation from regulators, manufacturers and end users. This standard includes requirements addressing various aspects of these systems, including:

> Safety of materials in contact with drinking water

> Structural integrity

> TDS (total dissolved solids) reduction performance

> Efficiency rating

> Recovery rating

> Contaminant reduction performance

> Information for the end user

TESTING UNDER NSF/ANSI 58

This standard requires different testing based on your specific RO unit or component. Testing is conducted as follows:

NON-PRESSURE BEARING COMPONENT

☑ **Material safety –** chemical extraction

PRESSURE BEARING COMPONENT

☑ **Material safety –** chemical extraction
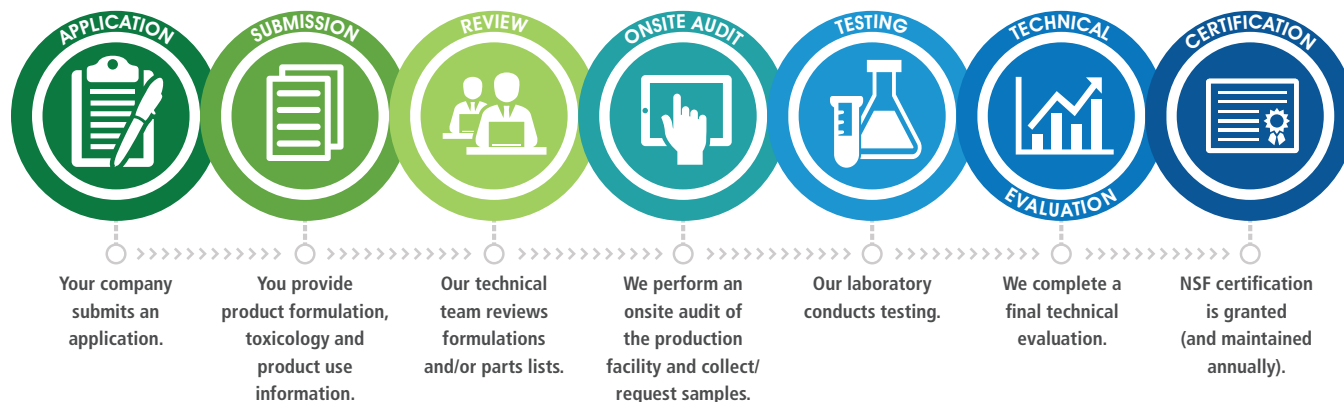☑ **Structural integrity** – cyclic and hyrdostatic

COMPLETE SYSTEM

☑ **Material safety –** chemical extraction
☑ **Structural integrity –** cyclic and hyrdostatic
☑ **Contaminant reduction –** Total dissolved solids, VOC, cyst, etc.

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WHAT YOU CAN EXPECT WHEN GETTING CERTIFIED TO NSF/ANSI 58

Testing is one element of becoming certified to NSF/ANSI 58. When you accept your quote and scope of work from NSF, you can expect the following steps:

APPLICATION	SUBMISSION	REVIEW	ONSITE AUDIT	TESTING	TECHNICAL EVALUATION	CERTIFICATION
Your company submits an application.	You provide product formulation, toxicology and product use information.	Our technical team reviews formulations and/or parts lists.	We perform an onsite audit of the production facility and collect/request samples.	Our laboratory conducts testing.	We complete a final technical evaluation.	NSF certification is granted (and maintained annually).

CLAIMS AVAILABLE UNDER NSF/ANSI 58

Standard NSF/ANSI 58 includes test procedures to verify various claims that can be made for your RO system, including:

> **Required**
- TDS (total dissolved solids) reduction

> **Optional**
- Cyst reduction
- Hexavalent and trivalent chromium reduction
- Arsenic reduction
- Nitrate/nitrite reduction
- Cadmium reduction
- Lead reduction
- Barium reduction

- Turbidity reduction
- Fluoride reduction
- Copper reduction
- VOC reduction
- Asbestos reduction
- Perchlorate reduction
- Radium 226/228 reduction
- Selenium reduction
- Pentavalent arsenic reduction

Did you know? Only complete systems are eligible to make containment reduction claims.

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