

# IFS Progress PACsecure

An easy entry into effective product safety and quality processes



## What is IFS Progress PACsecure?

The IFS Progress PACsecure is a development program that helps packaging suppliers gradually build risk-based and optimised product safety and quality management processes and capacity. It leads you on a path towards IFS PACsecure certification on which you can set the pace and milestones together with your customers. With IFS Progress PACsecure, you can develop processes that enable your company to meet both legal and customer requirements step by step. At the same time, you will learn to work more efficiently and economically and lay the foundation for further growth and scalability.

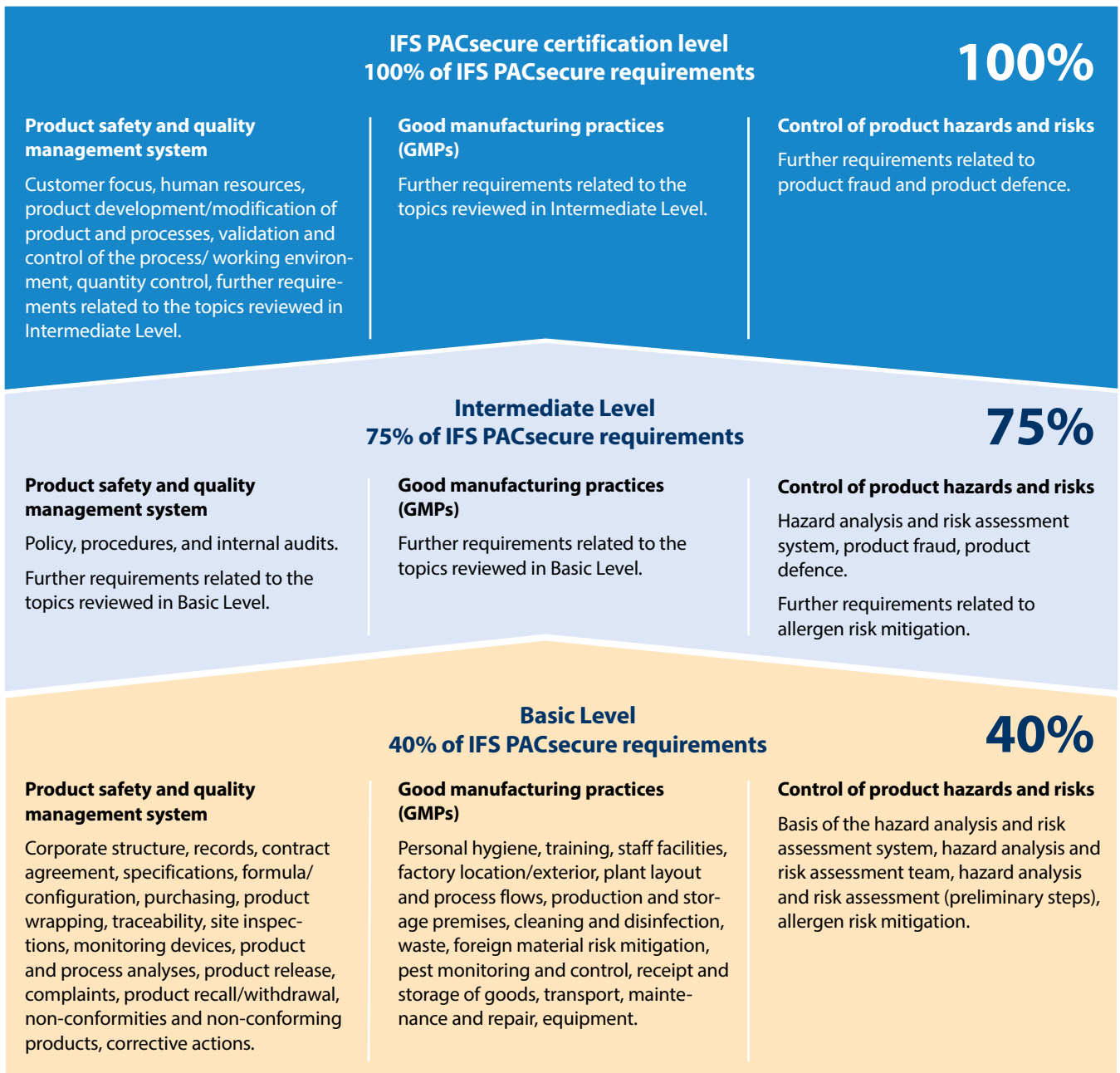
IFS Progress PACsecure follows a risk-based, non-prescriptive approach. It enables custom solutions that take your specific production circumstances into account. You determine the best-suited methods to control hazards and manage your risks.

## The implementation and evaluation of the requirements

To implement all the IFS Progress PACsecure requirements and follow it permanently may sound like a challenging and mammoth task – especially for smaller companies or those not having a fully developed product safety and quality process management yet. For this reason, the program is built in steps:

- The requirements for comprehensive product safety and quality management processes are gradually introduced.
- The expected duration of each level is one year; however, the program allows flexibility in the time-frame, if it is agreed with your business partner. Within three years, you should reach the implementation of the IFS PACsecure standard requirements.

## IFS Progress PACsecure Path



## IFS Support and Tools



- > The effectiveness of your program is accomplished by conducting internal audits. To help you perform the important task of verifying your progress, IFS offers an internal audit checklist. This tool enables you to easily document and track your performance.



- > Human resources are a precious commodity, especially in smaller companies. To minimise time and travel costs for quality managers, IFS offers webinars and e-learning through the IFS Academy. Also, IFS Training Centres provide IFS related courses (both remote and in-person) in the respective language of the country in which they are located. You can find more information on the *IFS Website*.



- > The IFS Database offers several useful features. As an IFS Progress PACsecure assessed company, you are visible to all business partners. Potential customers and suppliers can easily find your company. Trade partners can monitor your progress by requesting your assessment report and corrective action plan.

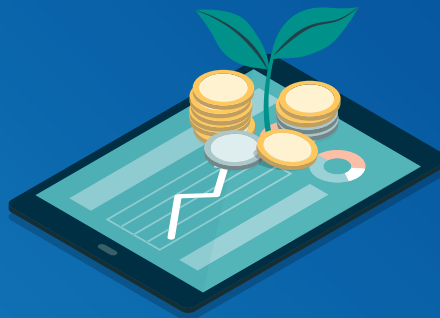
# Benefits of IFS Progress PACsecure at a glance

## INCREASE SALES AND TRUST IN YOUR COMPANY



- > Demonstrate your ability to produce safe products with the IFS Letter of Confirmation
- > Improve your reputation as a trusted business partner
- > Increase sales with new clients for your products
- > Provide authorities with documents during their inspections

## INCREASE EFFICIENCY AND REDUCE COSTS



- > Improve traceability systems to enable faster response to incidents and complaints
- > Improve production efficiency and product quality
- > Reduce costs related to recalls, complaints, and waste
- > Build your related human and financial resources gradually and affordably

## DRIVE CONTINUOUS IMPROVEMENT



- > Benefit from a differentiated overview of your performance
- > Determine the priority for improvements via the assessment results
- > Secure investment with the support of the assessment report
- > Tap into the expertise of the IFS Assessor for solution options

## Get support

Recognised IFS Consultants are experts giving advice and guidance regarding the implementation of the IFS Requirements or specific topics. Find the right one for your company at [www.ifs-certification.com](http://www.ifs-certification.com).

Build your product safety and quality processes with IFS Progress PACsecure.  
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## About IFS

With the professional expertise of retailers, manufacturers, certification bodies and other experts worldwide, IFS develops globally recognised product quality and safety standards and development programs. To complement this, IFS offers supportive tools and guidance documents to help quality managers work more efficiently. The common goal of IFS is to strive for the best product safety and quality management system so that consumers can trust the products they buy.

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