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2026 Ingredient Source Requirement by Manufacturer

Products approved to carry the Certified Vegan Logo must not be derived from or contain ingredients, materials, or components of meat, fish, fowl, animal by-products (including silk or dyes from insects), eggs or egg products, milk or milk products, honey, or honeybee products, or be processed, clarified, or finished with any animal products or by-products. Clear and precise verification from each ingredient manufacturer must be provided to show the exact source of the ingredient.

An ingredient spec sheet is required for each ingredient that clearly indicates the specific source of the ingredient (plant, fungi, bacteria, synthetic) and name of source.

Example:

COMPONENT	SOURCE	PERCENTAGE
Organic Ethyl Alcohol	Plant (Corn)	45-55%
Water	Water	30-40%
Natural Flavor	Plant (Beets)	5-15%
Salt	Mineral (Sodium chloride)	0.5%

The ingredient spec sheet (source document) must list all subingredients and processing aids, fillers, and carriers if applicable, with the detailed source of each.*

Ingredients of or that contain a sweetener, fruit juice, beer, wine, liquor, or vinegar will also require an additional document (Ingredient Information Form) that clearly states the ingredient has not be filtered or finished with animal by-products such as bone char, egg, or dairy products.

Ingredients or subingredients that are probiotics, prebiotics, enzymes, vitamins, and oral minerals must clearly indicate that they are not derived from or developed from animal products or byproducts.

Ingredients or subingredients that are developed with cultures or enzymes must clearly indicate that they are not derived from animal byproducts such as gelatin or dairy.

Generally SDS documents do not provide the required information.

We DO NOT accept certification documentation from other organizations.