



# BIC GROUP PRODUCT SAFETY STATEMENT

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1. All new or redesigned BIC® products must successfully complete a product safety qualification process before the product is distributed.

*Consumer safety is an essential business priority. We want to ensure that BIC® products are designed and produced to be safe for health and for the environment.*

2. When we design or redesign a BIC® product, we think global. A new product usually meets global safety requirements even if it is intended for a local market. As a result, products often exceed local safety requirements.

*We want product formulations and product designs to meet the highest safety level.*

3. When we design or redesign a BIC® product, we ask our suppliers to be involved in ensuring its conformity with safety rules and regulations.

*We want all partners' commitment when product safety is concerned.*

4. When we design or redesign a BIC® product, we perform safety testing and toxicological assessments. These tests evaluate potential physical and chemical hazards.

*We focus on the product characteristics to ensure that all testing is relevant and appropriate.*

5. We keep current on new local, national and international standards, laws and regulations addressing product safety. We work with industry associations to share expertise with authorities in drafting standards and regulations.

*Anticipating requirements is essential in building our safety policy.*

6. BIC implements the latest developments in product safety.

*We are proactive as soon as the safety innovations have a sound technical and scientific basis, like in vitro testing.*

7. We try to educate stakeholders about product safety. We share our expertise with customers, consumers and media about the proper use of our products.

*As a responsible company, we expect consumers to act responsibly.*

8. BIC investigates incidents that involve product safety. We have set up internal processes in order to identify product issues as quickly as possible.

9. BIC has appropriate product recall procedures in place.

10. A senior product safety officer oversees implementation of the BIC Group Product Safety Guidelines.

