# **Workplace Conditions Assessment Report**

**Measured Results —Improved Performance** 



# ZHEJIANG HONGTAI KITCHENWARE CO,.LTD

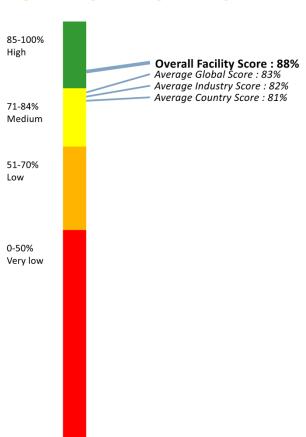
#### **GENERAL INFORMATION**

Overall Facility Score:	88%	
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Reg No:	F_IAR_187787	Country:	China
Audit Date:	26-Jul-2023	Assessment Stage:	Initial
Last Audit:	NA	Schedule Type:	Announced
Mandays:	1	Audit Firm:	Intertek

#### **WORKPLACE PERFORMANCE INDEX AND SUMMARY**

Participating facilities: 11596



Assessment area	Score results	co	mbei mplia ing			
		Zero Tolerance	Major	Moderate	Minor	No Score
Overall	88%	-	-	5	4	-
Labor	100%	-	-	-	-	-
Wages & Hours	73%	-	-	2	-	-
Health & Safety	86%	-	-	3	-	-
Management Systems	85%	-	-	-	4	-
Environment	100%	-	-	-	-	-

The Performance Index Bar is used to measure and benchmark the facility's score against the other population of audit results in the database using a common scoring algorithm





# **A. FACILITY PROFILE**

# **A1. FACILITY INFORMATION**

Facility Name:	ZHEJIANG HONGTAI	Facility Legal Status:	Private	
	KITCHENWARE CO,.LTD	Year facility began	2017	
Facility Legal Name:	ZHEJIANG HONGTAI	operations:		
	KITCHENWARE CO., LTD	Located in special	No	
Audit Location:	QUANER VILLAGE, QUANXI	economic zone:		
	TOWN, WUYI CITY, JINHUA	Person responsible for	Mr. Zhang Jianfei/Admin	
<u></u>	,ZHEJIANG, CHINA	overall social compliance	Manager	
City:	Jinhua	issues:	A A P I.	
Country:	China	Valid certificate for social	Not Applicable	
Contact Name:	Mr. Zhang Jianfei	compliance certification program:		
Contact Title:	Admin Manager	Vendor Name:	There was no information	
Industry:	Other	— Vendor Name.	provided.	
Service Providers:	Not Applicable		•	
Building Description:	to the facility.	1/F 1 2/F - f F - t b -	uilding as office, 2/F and 3/F of on	
	4-storey building as production office and production workshop no canteen or kitchen was avail concrete. The total land area of total floor area was about 3647 management interview, it was independent business licenses, system. The remaining floors of household supplies Co., Ltd. as building was used as canteen as	workshop and warehouse, or a, 3/F and 4/F of one 5-storey lable for employee. The buildicupied by audited facility was 0 square meters. Remark: Throted that there were other for products, wage and attendant production building were use production workshop and wand kitchen by Zhejiang zhongbingling or sharing case was no	ne flat building as warehouse, building as dormitory. There was ing was made up of reinforced about 22298 square meters and rough on-site observation and acilities in the same building with ce systems and management ed by Zhejiang Yingnaiwei rehouse, 1/F of the dormitory	

# **A2. PRODUCTION INFORMATION**

Products manufactured / Services provided:	Stainless steel net basket	Time record system(s) used:	Others: Facial ID	
Production process/ Service elements:	Punching, Welding, Metalworking, Polishing, Washing, Inspection and Packing	Chemicals or hazardous materials on-site:	Yes The facility used chemical included cleaning agent, oxalate, detergent and etc.	
Production capacity a week:	ion capacity a 300000 pcs		N/A, this audit was requested by the facility.	
Total number of	227 sets	production/Services for client:	•	



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machines:

Main machine types: Punching machines, welding

machines, polishing machines,

washing machines and etc.

**Shifts and Operating** hours:

1 shift All employees worked in 1 shift per day: 7:00-11:00, 13:30-17:30 from May to September, 07:30-11:30, 13:00-17:00 from October to April of next year. And the normal

working day was Monday to Friday.

#### A3. EMPLOYEE INFORMATION

**Employee** nationalities/provinces: There were 197 employees working in the audited facility at present. 22 (11.17%) employee was local workers from Zhejiang, 175 (88.83%) employees were domestic migrant workers from Anhui, Fujian, Guizhou, Hubei, Hunan, Heilongjiang, Henan, Jiangxi, Shandong, Sichuan, Yunnan and Chongqing. No foreign migrant

Languages spoken in the Chinese facility: Yes Management and employees speak same language:

workers.

Union/Worker committee:

**Not Applicable** 

Hires through employment

agent:

No

Recruitment and hiring process:

The facility recruited employees directly by posting job advertisements or encouraging employees to introduce their relatives or friends. The facility had established Human Resource Recruitment Procedure, which stipulates that all applicants must be at least 16 years old, and the original valid ID certificate shall be provided for the facility verification, the original ID card would be returned to the employee once verification done, no original ID card would be detained by the facility and the facility would keep the photocopy of the ID card for future reference. Employees did not have to bear any recruitment fee. Furthermore, there would be no restrictions on sex, ethnicity, race, gender or religion, etc. when hiring.

Range	Female	Male	Homeworkers	Juveniles
101-300	108	89	0	0

	Permanent	Temporary	Agency	Total
Local	22	0	0	22
Migrant	175	0	0	175
Foreign	0	0	0	0
Total	197	0	0	197





#### A4. SUBCONTRACTOR INFORMATION

No subcontractor information given

#### **A5. GENERAL INFORMATION**

This is an announced initial audit. At 09:10 am on 26th July 2023, one auditor entered the facility then held an opening meeting according to WCA Program. The facility management Mr. Zhang Jianfei/Admin Manager and other representatives were present in the meeting. The facility management stated that the facility would be cooperative with this audit. Most of interviewees were comfortable during interview and no negative information was raised. Attitude of managers: The facility representatives were cooperative during the whole process. At the end of the audit, all the findings were accepted by the facility management. A signed CIR report was left to the facility management and all findings were confirmed with responsible personnel. No ZT finding or major finding was raised during this audit. Current status: 1. Labour: the facility had established a system to management the labor program and had a formal procedure for checking ages of employees at application stage, the youngest employees in the facility was 19 years old. 2. Management system: the facility appointed one top management representative to be responsible for the establishment and maintenance of CSR system. Overall responsibility for meeting the standards was taken by Mr. Zhang Jianfei/Admin Manager. 3. Environment: The facility management maintained all legally required environmental documents in place. Best Practices Observed: Nil.

#### A6. AUDIT PROCESS

**Auditor Information** 

Auditors APSCA ID : Primary: Kevin Deng

ID#: 21700242

Auditors APSCA ID : Secondary: NA

ID#: NA

#### Audit pay period provided for review

Records	From	То
12	01-Jun-2022	31-May-2023
13	01-Jun-2022	25-Jul-2023

#### **Employee interview sampling**

Individual	10
Group	0
Total interviewed	10

**Special Comments:** N/A

#### Payroll and attendance records sampling

Period	From	То	Peak Season	Records Reviewed







Current Period	01-May-2023	31-May-2023	No	10
Period 2	01-Dec-2022	31-Dec-2022	No	3
Period 3	01-Sep-2022	30-Sep-2022	No	3
Total				16

#### Other records reviewed

Personnel records	Production records
Non-Production records	Employment contracts
Legal Permits	Social insurance documentation
Employee leave register	Health examination records
Machine maintenance records	Security log book





# **B. KEY PERFORMANCE METRICS**

#### **B1. COMPARISON BENCHMARK**

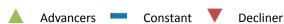
Current performance — Global average, China average, Other average



The Comparison Benchmark shows at a glance how this facility is performing in each category in comparison to all other facilities in the database globally, by country and/or industry using the same scoring algorithm.

### **B2. PERFORMANCE TREND ANALYSIS**

Section Name	Current	Last	First	Change	Change
Section Name	(26-Jul-2023)	(NA)	(NA)	(Current-Last)	(Current-First)
Labor	100	NA	NA	NA	NA
Wages & Hours	73	NA	NA	NA	NA
Health & Safety	86	NA	NA	NA	NA
Management Systems	85	NA	NA	NA	NA
Environment	100	NA	NA	NA	NA
Overall Score	88	NA	NA	NA	NA



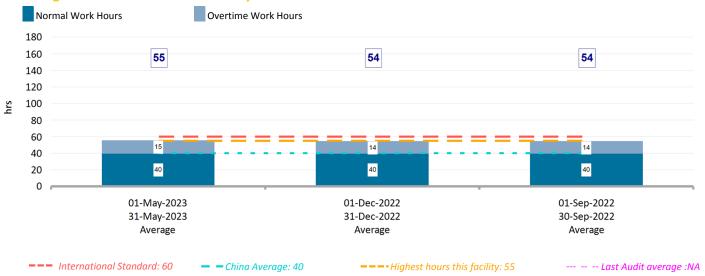
Showcase of the percentage of improvement (or decline) in performance over time for this facility. The current audit result is compared against the last audit completed at this same facility which is subsequently compared to the very first audit done at the facility.



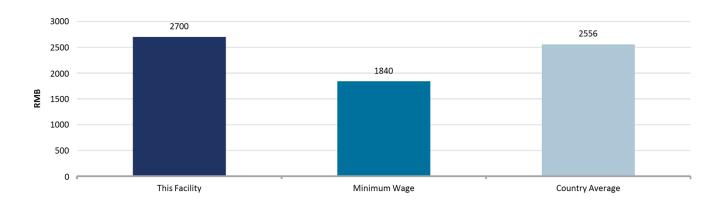


#### **B3. WORKING HOURS AND WAGES**





## Average wages paid in local currency (RMB)



Provincial and country averages are based on average wages paid since past two years.

Special wage circumstances: NA

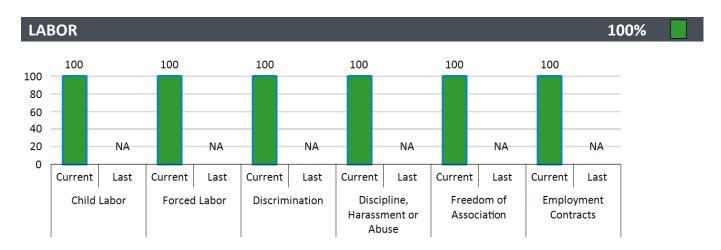




### C. PERFORMANCE DETAILS

Current (26-Jul-2023) Last (NA)

#### C1. LABOR



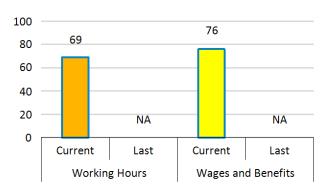
Labor Summary: 1. Relevant policies on child labor, force labor, discrimination, discipline, harassment, freedom of association etc. were established in place, no child labor or force labor was noted. No juvenile employees or foreign employees were employed in the facility. 2. The employees could express grievance freely. The facility has a written policy of freedom of association and right to collective bargaining. The policy states that the employees are free to form or join trade union or workers' organization and enjoy the right to collective bargaining, and nobody will be treated differently if they are members of the trade union or workers' organization, etc. 3. No ZT or Major finding was found during labor section.





#### **C2. WAGES & HOURS**





Wages and Hours Summary: The local minimum wage standard was set at RMB 1840 per month as equivalent to RMB 10.57(1840/21.75/8) per hour since 1st August 2021. The minimum wages paid by the facility were RMB 2600 per month during the reviewed period as per the provided payroll records. The facility paid the employees' overtime at the rates of 150%, and 200% of normal wages for the overtime hours on the normal working days, and the rest days respectively. There was no overtime hour on statutory holiday in the facility. All employees worked in 1 shift per day: 7:00-11:00, 13:30-17:30 from May to September, 07:30-11:30, 13:00-17:00 from October to April of next year. And the normal working day was Monday to Friday. Facial ID attendance system was used for time keeping and each employee should scan face when went in and out the workshop. Based on the provided attendance records and payroll records, the monthly overtime hours were 58 hours (10 out of 10 samples) in May 2023(current month); the monthly overtime hours were 50 hours (3 out of 3 samples) in December 2022(random month); the monthly overtime hours were 64 hours (3 out of 3 samples) in September 2022(random month). Partial employee had participated in any social insurance, other benefits such as statutory holidays, sick leave, perfect attendance bonus and work-related injury leave, etc. were provided to eligible employees. Wages were calculated on an hourly rated basis and paid at last day of month after each working period by bank transfer, and the last wages (May 2023) were paid on 30th June 2023. Moreover, production related records such as Daily Production Records, Warehouse In/out Records, Material Incoming Inspection Reports and etc. from June 2022 to July 2023 were provided and reviewed and no inconsistencies were noted.

#### **Sub Section: Working Hours**

Status	Findings	% Global freq of compliance
Moderate	O0626: Total overtime hours exceeds allowable limits under applicable law or agreement.	46%
	Past occurrences at this facility: NA	
	<b>Auditor's comment</b> Overtime hours exceeded the legal requirement. Through document review, auditor found that the monthly overtime hours of 10 out of 10 randomly selected employees were 58 hours in May 2023(current month), the monthly overtime	
	hours of 3 out of 3 randomly selected employees were 50 hours in December 2022(random month) and the monthly overtime hours of 3 out of 3 randomly selected	





Status	Findings	% Global freq of compliance
	employees were 64 hours in September 2022(random month).	
	Legal Regulation	
	People's Republic of China Labor Law Article 41, The employing unit may extend working hours due to the requirements of its production or business after consultation with the trade union and laborers, but the extended working hour for a day shall generally not exceed one hour; if such extension is called for due to special reasons, the extended hours shall not exceed three hours a day under the condition that the health of laborers is guaranteed. However, the total extension in month shall not exceed 36 hours.	

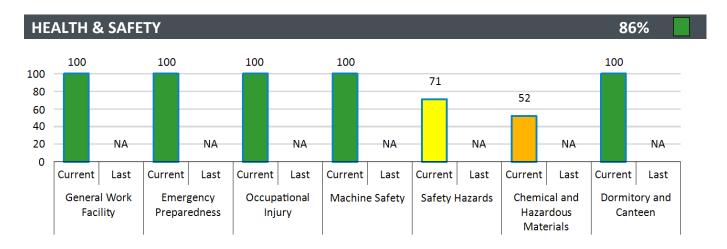
# **Sub Section: Wages and Benefits**

Status	Findings	% Global freq of compliance
Moderate	O0717: The facility does not provide social security, pensions, healthcare and/ or other insurance to employees as per legal requirement.	60%
	Past occurrences at this facility: NA	
	Auditor's comment Insufficient social insurance participated. Through document review, auditor found that there were 197 employees (including 27 retirees hired to work again) in facility in June 2023, only 39 (22.94%) out of 170 eligible employees had participated in basic endowment insurance, basic medical insurance (maternity insurance), unemployment insurance and employment injury insurance. Moreover, the facility had provided a group injury insurance for 27 employees and valid date was from 3rd December 2022 to 2nd December 2023.	
	Legal Regulation	
	Social Insurance Law of the People's Republic of China Article 10, Employees shall participate in the basic endowment insurance, and the basic endowment insurance premiums shall be jointly paid by employers and employees. Article 23, Employees shall participate in the basic medical insurance for employees, and the basic medical	
	insurance premiums shall be jointly paid by employers and employees in accordance with the relevant provisions of the state. Article 33, Employees shall participate in employment injury insurance, and the employment injury insurance premiums shall be	
	paid by their employers rather than the employees. Article 44, Employees shall participate in unemployment insurance, and the unemployment insurance premiums shall be jointly paid by employers and employees in accordance with the relevant provisions of the state. Article 53, Employees shall participate in maternity insurance,	
	and the maternity insurance premiums shall be paid by employers rather than employees in accordance with the relevant provisions of the state.	





#### C3. HEALTH & SAFETY



Health & Safety Summary: 1. Fire safety: The facility has established one written emergency preparedness procedure and appointed one top management representative to be responsible for emergency preparedness. Each production workshop was installed with at least 2 emergency exits and sufficient fire facilities such as fire extinguishers, fire hydrants and fire alarms were installed in the facility. Such fire facilities were inspected once per month and all tested firefighting facilities were kept workable. Evacuation plans were posted at each emergency exit in the facility and marked "where you are" clearly, all evacuation routes and safety exits observed were clear. Newly coming employees were trained for fire safety during orientation training and refresh training. Fire drills were conducted twice per year, the last two fire drills were conducted on 22nd April 2023 and 16th November 2022. 2. Electrical safety: All electrical equipment was maintained in good condition such as sockets, plugs, switches and main fuse boards. Valid electrician license was provided. The warning signs were posted on the electrical panels. 3. Chemical Safety: Eye-wash stations were available at the places where chemicals were used and stored. Workers exposed to chemicals confirmed that they had been trained on chemical safety. The hazardous chemical emergency response drill was conducted once per year. The drill records were available for review. 4. Medical services: There were adequate first aid kits with sufficient supplies on each floor. There were 4 first aiders in the facility. Through review injury records, no injury case was occurred in the past. 5. Machine Safety: Production machines were maintained and inspected regularly. 6. Brief of production areas: Potable water was freely available on each facility floor. Sufficient clean toilets segregated by gender were available at all times to employees. Ventilation, temperature and lighting were adequate for each area. 7. Employee safety awareness: Written Health and Safety Policies were established and implemented. The facility had a program to provide EHS training to all employees. The assigned person was responsible for the facility health and safety regular checking, regular meeting minutes of proceedings were provided for review.

#### **Sub Section: Safety Hazards**

Status	Findings	% Global freq of compliance
Moderate	O0406: Special appliances such as boilers, unfired pressure vessels, and furnaces have not been registered and affixed with a registration certification.	90%
	Past occurrences at this facility: NA	
	Auditor's comment No registration for special appliances. During facility tour, auditor	





Status	Findings	% Global freq of compliance
	found that there was forklift for goods transferring in the facility. However, the facility could not provide the registered certificate of this forklift.	
	Legal Regulation	
	Regulations on Safety Supervision of Special Appliance Article 25, The operating unit with special appliance shall apply the registration for the special appliance from the Special Appliance Quality Safety Monitoring Department of the municipality city or above, before they are used or after they have been used for 30 days. The approved registration certificate/letter for special appliance should be affixed at the relevant	
	special appliance.	

### **Sub Section: Chemical and Hazardous Materials**

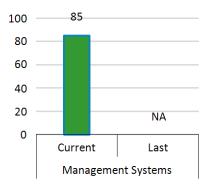
Status	Findings	% Global freq of compliance
<ul><li>Moderate</li></ul>	O0458: Chemicals or materials are not labeled as per label instructions/ MSDS.	90%
	Past occurrences at this facility: NA	
	<b>Auditor's comment</b> No safety label for hazardous chemical. During facility tour, auditor found that there was no label for hazardous chemical (such as cleaning agent) using in washing workshop at flat production building.	
	Legal Regulation  Regulation of Chemical Safety Usage in Workplace Article 12, The unit, which uses chemical, shall set up identification label for all chemicals in using. For dangerous chemical, a safety label shall be applied and MSDS be provided for worker.	
Moderate	O0473: Preventative measures are not in place to prevent chemical leakage.	80%
	Past occurrences at this facility: NA	
	<b>Auditor's comment</b> Safety facilities for hazardous chemicals were not compliant with legal requirement. During facility tour, auditor found that hazardous chemicals such as cleaning agent (Total volume was around 300L) was using in washing workshop at flat production building, but there was no secondary containment.	
	Legal Regulation	
	Regulations on the Safety Management of Dangerous Chemicals Article 20, The units producing, storing dangerous chemicals shall, according to the categories and hazardous characteristics of the dangerous chemicals they producing, storing, set up the corresponding safety facilities and equipments for monitoring, aeration, protection	
	against exposure to sun, temperature adjusting, fireproof, fire fighting, flameproof, pressure discharging, prevention of toxicants, neutralization, moistureproof, protection against thunder, protection against static, antisepsis, prevention of leakage, protection dams or segregated operations, etc In addition, the units shall carry out maintenance	
	and caring regularly according to the national standards, industrial standards or the relevant provisions of the State, thus to guarantee the safety operations of facilities and equipments.	





### **C4. MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS**

# MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS 85%



Management System Summary: The facility had established social compliance policy and communicated the policy to employees and management through training. The training records were provided for review. Moreover, the facility had conducted internal assessment and management review for its social compliance program. The system has been implemented properly.

#### **Sub Section: Management Systems**

Status	Findings	% Global freq of compliance
• Minor	O0817: The facility has comprehensive working hour and wages management processes and procedures in a written manual that support adherence to social compliance requirements but they are not all being properly implemented.	38%
	Past occurrences at this facility: NA	
	<b>Auditor's comment</b> As per WCA requirements. Findings about working hour and wages management procedures were found, please refer to related sections for details.	
• Minor	O0833: The facility's written manual for processes and procedures includes a machine safety procedure but they are not all being properly implemented.  Past occurrences at this facility: NA	84%
	<b>Auditor's comment</b> As per WCA requirements. Finding about machines safety section was found, please refer to related section for details.	
• Minor	O0837: The facility has comprehensive chemicals management processes and procedures in a written manual that support adherence to social compliance requirements but they are not all being properly implemented.  Past occurrences at this facility: NA	70%
	rast occurrences at this facility. IVA	



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Status	Findings	% Global freq of compliance
	<b>Auditor's comment</b> As per WCA requirements. Findings about chemicals safety section were found during this audit, please refer to related section for details.	
• Minor	O0862: The facility has not implemented any internal accountability standards and procedures for migrant employees (domestically and/ or internationally) at the facility and within suppliers/ sub-contractors that evaluate and address the risks of human trafficking and slavery.	85%
	Past occurrences at this facility: NA	
	Auditor's comment Through document review, auditor found that the facility did not	
	implement related procedure for migrant employees at the facility or supplies to evaluate or address the risk of human trafficking or slavery.	





#### C5. ENVIRONMENT



**Environment Summary:** 1. The facility established the environmental protection policy for review. 2. The facility had compiled one written significant environmental factors of their site and its processes. 3. Mr. Zhang Jianfei/Admin Manager was appointed responsible for environmental issues. 4. The facility had not been subject to (or pending) any fines/prosecutions for noncompliance to environmental regulations. 5. The facility provided all legally required environmental permits/licenses. 6. The wastewater was discharged into the municipal pipeline after being treated to meet the standards. 7. Environmental pollution emergency plan was established.

% Global Frequency of Compliance: Represents the implementation percentage performance of all suppliers participating in the WCA Community globally for each issue

Identification numbers: Represents the finding ID associated with each checklist question

#### RECOMMENDATION FOR IMPROVEMENT PLAN TIMELINE

- Minor: Take action within 0 ~ 6 months to make necessary improvements.
- Moderate: Take action within 0 ~ 3 months to make necessary improvements.
- Major: Take action within 0 ~ 1 month to make necessary improvements.
- Zero Tolerance: Take immediate action to make necessary improvements.



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# **D. STRENGTHS AND CHALLENGES**

Facility Strengths: Facility performance ranks in the top percentile of the population and/or has mplemented a best practice process	Rating	Global Freq. of Compliance%
The facility has comprehensive employee safety processes and procedures in a written manual that support adherence to social compliance requirements and are being properly implemented.	Compliant	41%
The facility has comprehensive emergency preparedness processes and procedures in a written manual that support adherence to social compliance requirements and are being properly implemented.	Compliant	55%
The facility provides appropriate training for managers on how to implement its social compliance policies and procedures.	Compliant	76%
The facility (including construction projects) have the building permits and/or fire safety permits as per the legal requirements.	Compliant	77%
The facility conducts and/or pays for regular occupational health examinations for employees when applicable.	Compliant	78%
The facility has implemented an mechanism/program to identify, evaluate and control employee exposure to physically demanding work, such as manual handling, heavy lifting, highly repetitive tasks, and other physically demanding jobs to prevent work-related injuries.	Compliant	78%
The total weekly working hours (normal & overtime) are 60 or less than 60 hours.	Compliant	78%
Employment practice procedures (forced labor, freedom of association, employment contracts, discipline, harassment & abuse) are in place.	Compliant	78%
The facility has comprehensive processes and procedures in the area of general facility, dormitory (if any) and/ or canteen (if any) management (e.g. cleanliness, ventilation, noise, lighting, toilets) in written manual that support adherence to social compliance requirement.	Compliant	79%
Employees are provided with at least one day off following six consecutive days worked.	Compliant	82%

Challenges: Facility performance ranks in the bottom percentile of the population	Rating	Global Freq. of Compliance%
Special appliances such as boilers, unfired pressure vessels, and furnaces have not been registered and affixed with a registration certification.	Moderate	90%
Chemicals or materials are not labeled as per label instructions/ MSDS.	Moderate	90%
The facility has not implemented any internal accountability standards and procedures for migrant employees (domestically and/ or internationally) at the facility and within suppliers/ sub-contractors that evaluate and address the risks of human trafficking and slavery.	Minor	85%
The facility's written manual for processes and procedures includes a machine safety procedure but they are not all being properly implemented.	Minor	84%
Preventative measures are not in place to prevent chemical leakage.	Moderate	80%
The facility has comprehensive chemicals management processes and procedures in a written manual that support adherence to social compliance requirements but they are not all being properly implemented.	Minor	70%
The facility does not provide social security, pensions, healthcare and/or other insurance to employees as per legal requirement.	Moderate	60%



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Total overtime hours exceeds allowable limits under applicable law or agreement.	Moderate	46%
The facility has comprehensive working hour and wages management processes and procedures in a written manual that support adherence to social compliance requirements but they are not all being properly implemented.	Minor	38%

# **Best Practices:**

The facility can demonstrate an environmental certification such as ISO14000 or equivalent.	The facility has written procedures in place to determine, manage and control overtime.
The facility has made progress in reducing or eliminating pollution, waste and conserving resources.	The facility implements an auditing program and audits all suppliers, subcontractors and labor providers.



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