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SFDA Intended to Publish Domestic Non-Special Cosmetics Filing Rules

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The State Food and Drug Administration (SFDA) published the Rules for the Filing of Domestic Non-special-purpose Cosmetics (Draft for Comment) recently, and will be open for opinions from relevant units before 26 August 2010.

The draft Rules consist of 19 articles concerning the application materials of filing and the product quality control requirements for manufacturers of domestic non-special cosmetics, as well as the supervision authorities’ duties.

According to the draft Rules, the manufacturers of domestic non-special-purpose cosmetics shall, within two months after launching any domestic non-special-purpose cosmetic product into markets, apply for filing of the same product to the provincial-level food and drug regulator within its own jurisdiction. The manufactures also bear the responsibility to cancel the filing of the product as soon as it cease the production.

The draft Rules also set some specific regulations on the reporting of the ingredients of the product, especially when it concerns animals’ liver and kidneys or blood products, or when the cosmetic product are claimed to be specialized for pregnant women or infants. It is also stated in the draft Rules that the testing method and results of the ingredients for materials with risks should be reported with the application.