

EPA's Safer Choice Criteria for Oxidants and Oxidant Stabilizers (excerpted from section 5.2 of the [Safer Choice Standard](#))

The general requirements listed in the [Safer Choice Master Criteria for Safer Chemical Ingredients](#), applied by experts in the Safer Choice Program, are a base set of criteria all ingredients must meet to be acceptable for use in a Safer Choice product. These criteria make it possible for Safer Choice to ensure that chemicals in labeled products are from among the safest in their functional classes and, without exception, cannot be listed carcinogens, mutagens or reproductive or developmental toxicants (CMRs), or persistent, bioaccumulative and toxic chemicals (PBTs). Also, chemicals that release, degrade to, or form byproducts that are CMRs or PBTs will not be allowed. The subsequent sections are additional requirements or exceptions to the Master Criteria requirements for specific functional-use ingredient categories.

For every chemical, ingredient data are required for each endpoint to confirm that the ingredient meets the Safer Choice Criteria. Established lists from authoritative bodies, such as the IARC and NTP carcinogen lists, may be used to screen ingredients, where available and as noted in the criteria below. When an ingredient is not found on a list, raw data for each endpoint are preferred. Appropriate analog data, applied via predictive models, may also be used to fill data gaps.