



## Press Release

# STC (Dongguan) Became NEXT's Dedicated Testing Laboratory

【China, 22 June 2021】 Recently, STC (Dongguan), a subsidiary of Hong Kong Standards and Testing Centre (STC) located in Dongguan, has been officially accredited by a well-known British fashion retailer, namely NEXT, becoming one of the designated testing laboratories in China.

With the accreditation from the NEXT, it demonstrates STC's prominent position and all-round capabilities in the testing, inspection and certification aspects. Now, STC is fully responsible for testing ranging from Furniture, Home Furnishings, Apparels, Shoes, Accessories, Cosmetics and more. STC provides one-stop testing services for enterprises that are preparing to enter the British fashion retail market.

The NEXT, which is a notable retailer of affordable fashion in the UK with an extensive range of products categories, has influential in the British fashion industry due to its popularity amongst consumers.

STC (Dongguan) was established in 2005 as an independent, third-party product testing, inspection and certification centre approved by the General Administration of Customs of the People's Republic of China (GACC). STC has been closely serving the industries, continuously expanding its service network, and committing to providing professional, reliable and comprehensive testing services for the exponential development of global trade. By issuing internationally recognized reports, STC safeguards end consumers and provides confidence in the product's safety.

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### About STC

Established in 1963 as a not-for-profit testing, inspection and certification organization, STC (Hong Kong Standards and Testing Centre) offers a wide range of services, including Toys, Children's Products, Textile, Apparel, Footwear, Furniture, Electrical and Electronic Products, Medical Devices, Food, Chemical and Pharmaceutical Products. STC became the first designated non-governmental CCC testing laboratory in Hong Kong in 2012 providing CCC testing service for local manufacturers and importers. In 2014, STC (Dongguan) became one of the first designated CCC testing laboratories in China with foreign capital. STC (Dongguan) invested in full-featured medical device laboratories at Dongguan in 2015 offering a full range of biocompatibility testing for medical device manufacturers in China and globally. It also obtained the accreditation from OECD GLP in 2019. In 2020, the Hong Kong Certification Centre (HKCC), an independent product certification body set up by STC, was officially accepted by the IEC System of Conformity Assessment Schemes for Electrotechnical Equipment and Components and Certification Body (IECEE CB) as the China National Certification Body (NCB) in Hong Kong. As a result, STC, offering a one-stop CB certification service, started to issue both CB Test Reports and Certificates. Over the years, STC has obtained numerous accreditations from international bodies, including CMA (China), CNAS (China), FCC (USA), CPSC (USA), Govmark (USA), IC (Canada), LUCIDEON (UK), SATRA (UK), Nemko (Norway), and CPSA (Japan), while also being a CBTL of IECEE-CB, establishing a leading position in the testing and certification industry in Southern China. To meet growing global demand, not only has STC set up cutting-edge testing laboratories and offices in China's major cities such as Dongguan, Shanghai, Changzhou, Guangxi and Heilongjiang but also expanded to Vietnam, Japan, USA and Germany. Meanwhile, STC is actively exploring emerging markets to serve as "Your Global Testing, Inspection and Certification Partner".

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