

UAE Registration Readiness Checklist

The 12 points to confirm before you submit anything to a UAE authority — or print a single label.

- ☐ **01 Product classified — by its claims, not its category**
Cosmetic vs medical is decided by what the label says. Classify before anything else.
- ☐ **02 Every claim audited on every panel — English AND Arabic**
A compliant English claim can turn therapeutic in translation.
- ☐ **03 Full INCI list in descending concentration order**
And it must match the actual formulation exactly.
- ☐ **04 Formula screened against UAE/GSO restricted substances**
Some EU/US-permitted ingredients are capped or banned here.
- ☐ **05 Certificate of Free Sale obtained and legalized**
From the country of origin, in acceptable form.
- ☐ **06 GMP certificate / Certificate of Conformity**
From the manufacturer, current and verifiable.
- ☐ **07 IFRA certificate for any fragranced product**
Mandatory where fragrance is present.
- ☐ **08 Safety assessment (PSAR) where required**
Category-dependent — confirm before submission.
- ☐ **09 Label carries batch, expiry/PAO, origin, net content**
Plus manufacturer details, in the required formats.
- ☐ **10 UAE responsible party appointed — and on the label**
No locally licensed party, no registration.
- ☐ **11 Arabic label text professionally translated**
Machine translation is a rejection risk and a liability.
- ☐ **12 Artwork frozen ONLY after regulatory review**
Printing first is the most expensive mistake in UAE market entry.

Scoring

12/12 — submit. · 9–11 — fix the gaps first. · Below 9 — get an assessment before spending on printing.

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