

How to Conduct a Product Inspection

Product inspection is the process of checking goods for compliance with your specifications and requirements. The product inspection process primarily focuses on checking the appearance, construction and basic function of a product.

TOP TIPS for using an Inspection Company?

- Never use your factory for the final inspection - Use an unbiased skilled 3rd party services - see options below:
 - Use your Locally based Sourcing Agent if they are in the same district or low cost commuting to the factory location
 - Ask your Sourcing agent for recommendations for a locally based Professional Inspection Agent.
 - Search under: www.Inspection.alibaba.com
- Do this EVERY TIME you work with a new factory
- Always get them to inspect at least 5-10% of goods
- Give inspection company CLEAR instructions
- If the factory fails inspection...
 - Have the factory fix small issues
 - Major issues are an alarm - start looking for another factory
- If you have quality issues upon reorders, do inspections ongoing

What should you EXPECT FROM an Inspection Company?

Note, as a safeguard, always reiterate these minimum expectations before the inspection if they are relevant to your production run.

- Inspect the goods for damage or poor craftsmanship
- Loose threads, bad wiring, bad stitching, bad printing, etc...
- Turn on/off any electrical products they test
- If applicable, test product by using it (as long as it doesn't ruin it)
- Inspect the packaging for damage and bad printing
- Scan any barcodes to make sure they are scannable
- Inspect the shipping cartons for correct labeling and no damage
- Check to make sure the goods are packed without extra space