

Intertek

Carbon Offset Program for Intertek's auditing services



Emissions of greenhouse gases (GHG) into the atmosphere are increasing. While some of this is naturally produced, the extra input from man-made GHG, such as carbon-dioxide, is contributing to climate change with potentially catastrophic effects. International environmental initiatives are pushing nations and industry to drastically reduce GHG emissions. Industry pressures are also a driving factor, as many major corporations and big-name retailers are championing GHG reduction strategies.

Likewise, Intertek is committed to mitigating the affects of climate change. As a world leader in quality and safety services, with a footprint of more than 25,000 people in over 1,000 locations around the world, we are well aware of the impact our activities have on the environment.

That's why we're proud to announce the Intertek Carbon Offset Program. Through this innovative, industry-leading program, Intertek customers can mitigate the GHG emissions for the auditing services they receive from us globally.

What is carbon offsetting?

Carbon offsetting is the practice of financially supporting projects that reduce GHG emissions, such as wind farms or energy-efficiency projects. Many companies and individuals worldwide use carbon offsets to mitigate the emissions they indirectly create from travel and energy use.

How we measure and offset emissions

Intertek's offset emissions scope captures all of the energy resources we use to complete an auditing service for you, including travel (air, road, train), accommodations, and energy consumption by Intertek equipment. Our emissions calculation model is independently verified under global GHG standards such as ISO 14044. The methodologies we use are recognized under the United Nations (UN) Kyoto Protocol, the WRI GHG Protocol, and other applicable global and national emissions standards.

Our carbon offsetting partner

To deliver this program, Intertek has partnered with leading carbon project and offset management firm EcoSecurities/Climate Care. Our carbon offset projects will be supplied from a group of projects developed and managed by EcoSecurities, including renewable energy, landfill gas, and agricultural development projects. These projects are certified under various mandatory and voluntary standards – including the UN Clean Development Mechanism (CDM), the Voluntary Carbon Standard (VCS), and Gold Standard – which ensures that they maintain a high quality and also meet the sustainable development goals of global, national and local initiatives such as the UN Kyoto Protocol.

The benefits to you

- Intertek facilitates all activities related to the emissions calculation for our auditing services, eliminating the need for you to perform this activity internally.
- Intertek's offsets will support your emissions targets for suppliers and service providers, which are the most complex emissions to calculate.
- You'll receive an offset certificate for net emissions reduced and the related monetary value, along with an emissions reduction report and project summary.
- Intertek can integrate the nominal offset payment with your service invoice.
- An Intertek service which is Carbon Neutral!

What do you need to do?

Your participation in the Intertek Offset Program is voluntary. You can opt-in in two ways:

- You can sign up through your Intertek sales representative, by selecting preset offset options for the emissions related to the audit service. The cost of the selected offset will be included in your service invoice.
- You can sign up through our online portal. This portal includes a credit card payment option, an online certificate generation tool, and customized access for aggregate offset reporting and emissions.

Intertek supports your sustainability, CSR, and environment programs by giving you a simple way to reduce GHG emissions in the supply chain.

For more information on the Intertek Offset Program, visit www.intertek.com/carbon-offset or email us at carbon.offset@intertek.com

For a complete list of our offices and laboratories worldwide, visit www.intertek.com/contact.

Details on our auditing services can be found at www.intertek.com/auditing.