Putting Your Best Foot Forward

UL offers safety solutions to help produce safe footwear products, from initial concept to final production.

UL compliance experts put their knowledge to work for our clients to help deliver safer quality products to global markets on time and on budget.

UL evaluates footwear and all its components for eco-toxicological, physical, and mechanical properties to mitigate supply chain risk and launch successful products.

Our footwear testing services include:
- Sole bonding strength
- Sole wearing resistance
- Heel impact
- Shoe lace abrasion
- Colorfastness on leather/synthetic leather/textiles
- Performance testing for shoe components (leather/synthetic leather; textiles & insole material)
- Sole flex (Ross Flex)
- Heel attachment strength
- Bally upper flex (Bally Flex)
- Seam/attachment strength
- Hazardous substance analysis
- Completed shoe flexion
- Performance testing for finished shoes

Whether you need testing services or production monitoring, UL can provide customized quality assurance programs to suit all your needs. Our inspection and factory audit solutions use industry and government standards to help you understand your factory’s quality systems and production capabilities, as well as monitor for social compliance.

Since 1894, UL has been a respected leader in safety science. Today, UL is advancing its commitment to protecting people, products and places through expert advisory and independent quality assurance testing, inspections, and assessments for a wide range of consumer products. Our network of more than 131 laboratory testing and certification facilities in 39 countries helps drive the integrity of global supply chains, optimize product performance and protect brands.

For more details on how UL can help ensure the safety and quality of your footwear contact QAInfo@ul.com or visit ul.com/consumer-products.