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## TESCO AND PRODUCT LABELLING Full Classification Description



Means that the finished product has never been tested on animals but the ingredients will have been safety tested on animals at some time in the past by a product manufacturer or on their behalf.



Means that the finished product has never been tested on animals. The individual ingredients will have been safety tested on animals but not at the request of Tesco or our product manufacturer.

The original tests on animals, to permit the ingredients to be used, may have been conducted during or after 1985.



Means that the finished product has never been tested on animals. The individual ingredients will have been tested on animals but not at the request of Tesco or our product manufacturers.

The original safety tests on animals to permit the ingredients to be used, were conducted before 1985. Further safety tests may have been carried out on some of the ingredients since that time by somebody, somewhere in the world, but not by, or on behalf of, Tesco or our product manufacturer.

### F.R.A.M.E.

Tesco is dedicated to eliminating the need for animal testing. It is in order to further this goal that Tesco has become a major financial contributor to the Fund for the Replacement of Animals in Medical Experimentation (F.R.A.M.E.), a scientific organisation researching alternative methods of safety testing without the use of animals.

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# ANIMAL TESTING



**i** PRODUCT LABELLING

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## PRODUCT SAFETY – WHY PRODUCTS HAVE HISTORICALLY BEEN TESTED ON ANIMALS

All products that come into contact with your skin must be suitable for safe usage.

In the past, the way that a product has been proved safe is by individually testing each of the ingredients used, on animals and then in addition usually testing the finished product once all the ingredients have been mixed together.

Tesco are now committed to both a policy of non-animal testing, and to ensuring the total safety of all our products.



## TESCO POLICY – WHY WE BELIEVE ANIMAL TESTING IS NO LONGER NECESSARY

Throughout the world, the selection of product ingredients that have already been tested on animals and proved safe is so extensive, Tesco believe in the current circumstances that it is not necessary to routinely re-test them.

So, by restricting the household and toiletry ingredients we use to the already-tested selection, we are eliminating the need for us to carry out any further animal testing on the ingredients, or on the finished product.



## TESCO LABELLING – MAKING OUR PRODUCTS CLEARLY RECOGNISABLE AS NON-ANIMAL TESTED

Having established that by using ready tested ingredients, Tesco have no need for animal testing, we felt it important that this fact was clearly displayed on all packaging. In addition it was decided that further information should be given to notify customers **when** the original safety tests were performed.



In order to provide this information, Tesco developed a system of product labelling using rabbit symbols.

The presence of a rabbit symbol, on the front or back of pack is your guarantee that Tesco have not tested this product or its ingredients on animals.

### EVERY TESCO OWN LABEL HOUSEHOLD OR TOILETRY PRODUCT QUALIFIES FOR A RABBIT SYMBOL

Within the rabbit symbol you will find a number, enabling you to tell at a glance **when** the product's ingredients had their original safety tests.



Originally designed to be a 1 – 2 – 3 system, with Number 3 being the toughest and most stringent classification, Tesco have now developed all of their products to reach at least category 2.

**Classification 1** means the ingredients and/or the product may have been tested on animals by our product manufacturer or on our behalf.

However, Tesco no longer have any products in this category.

**Classification 2** means the original ingredients tests may have been carried out during or after 1985, but not by Tesco or our product manufacturer, or on our behalf.

**Classification 3** means the original ingredients tests **must** have been carried out before 1985. Further tests may have been carried out since then, but not by Tesco or our product manufacturer, or on our behalf.

