Nationally Recognized Testing Laboratories

As noted in the National Electrical Code (NEC), organizations concerned with product evaluation, such as testing laboratories and inspection agencies, will publish lists of equipment and materials that have been tested to meet nationally recognized standards (or that have been found suitable for use in a specified manner). The NEC refers to these products as listed, labeled, or identified. However, does not contain detailed information on equipment or materials.

The Nationally Recognized Testing Laboratory (NRTL) Program recognizes private sector organizations to perform certification. This is to ensure certain products meet the requirements of both the construction and general industry OSHA electrical standards. Each NRTL has a scope of test standards and uses its own unique registered certification mark(s) for each NRTL. This designates that the product conforms to the applicable product safety test standards.

After certifying a product, the NRTL authorizes the manufacturer to apply a registered certification mark to the product. Under the NRTL program, this certification mark signifies that the NRTL tested and certified that the product complies with the requirements of one or more appropriate product safety test standards.

To view the most accurate list of Nationally Recognized Testing Laboratories, please refer to the OSHA website, as certifications change or are updated on a continual basis.