

## HDMI Licensing Group Intros Mandatory 8K Certification

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The HDMI Forum sets to ensure the quality of Ultra High Speed HDMI cables hitting the market through a mandatory certification program for all cables to assure support for all HDMI 2.1 features, including 4K and 8K video, HDR, VRR and eARC.



The certification process includes testing to meet current EMI requirements to minimise interference. All certified cables of any length must pass certification testing at an HDMI Authorised Testing Center (ATC). Once certified, cables will be required to affix an Ultra High Speed HDMI Certification Label to each package, notifying consumers of the certification status of the product.

“The Ultra High Speed HDMI cable is the only way to ensure all the features and capabilities of the HDMI 2.1 Specification are delivered from a source device to a display. Ensuring Ultra High Speed HDMI cables are compliant with the HDMI 2.1 Specification is essential to the HDMI ecosystem,” the HDMI Forum says. “The HDMI Forum’s mandatory ATC-only certification requirements are designed to ensure cables are compliant with the HDMI 2.1 Specification. And the anti-counterfeit Ultra High Speed HDMI Certification Label and its scanning results provides a visible verification of certification that a product meets the HDMI Forum’s requirements.”

Over 140 cable manufacturers participate in the existing Premium Certification Program, and resellers rely on the anti-counterfeit authentication label, regular cable audit testing and supply chain verification scanning app. The new program expansion will be available soon, and HDMI Adopters will be informed when it launches.

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