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#### Foreword<sup>2</sup>

The purpose of this Standard is to establish minimum requirements for materials, design and construction, and performance of point-of-use reverse osmosis drinking water treatment systems. NSF/ANSI 58 also specifies minimum product literature requirements that manufacturers must provide to authorized representatives and owners. Minimum service related obligations for manufacturers to extend to system owners are also specified in this Standard.

Water contact materials in Drinking Water Treatment Units listed under NSF/ANSI 42, 44, 53, 55, 58, and 62 are tested and evaluated under a separate protocol from NSF/ANSI 61 with criteria that were developed specifically for the intended end-use. NSF/ANSI 61 listing should not be additionally required for acceptance of these listed units for water contact application.

This revision to NSF/ANSI 58 – 2006 consists of updates to Tables 6, 8 and 9 clarifying the requirements for influent challenge requirements for chemical reduction testing.

This Standard was developed by the NSF Joint Committee on Drinking Water Treatment Units using the consensus process described by the American National Standards Institute.

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#### 1 General

#### 1.1 Purpose

It is the purpose of this Standard to establish minimum requirements for materials, design and construction, and performance of reverse osmosis drinking water treatment systems. This Standard also specifies the minimum product literature that manufacturers shall supply to authorized representatives and owners as well as the minimum service-related obligations that manufacturers shall extend to system owners.

#### 1.2 Scope

The point-of-use reverse osmosis drinking water treatment systems addressed by this Standard are designed to be used for the reduction of specific substances that may be present in drinking water supplies (public or private) considered to be microbiologically safe and of known quality (except that claims for the reduction of filterable cysts may be permitted). Systems covered by this Standard are intended for reduction of total dissolved solids (TDS) and other contaminants specified herein. Systems with components or functions covered under other NSF or NSF/ANSI Standards or Criteria shall comply with those applicable requirements.

#### 1.3 Chemical and mechanical reduction performance claims

- **1.3.1** All NSF/ANSI 58 performance claims shall be verified and substantiated by test data generated under the requirements of NSF/ANSI 58.
- **1.3.2** When making performance claims for substances not specifically addressed in the scope of this Standard or for those substances not specifically addressed but falling under the scope of NSF/ANSI 58, those claims not specifically addressed in the Standard shall be so identified.