Regulatory Framework of Electrical Appliance and Material Safety Law

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I-1. Classification of Electrical Appliances and Materials

Electrical Appliances and Materials

[§2 of the Law]

Total; 454 items

Specified Electrical Appliances and Materials

[§1-2 of the Cabinet Order]

115items ⇒ Products considered to have particularly high risks

of causing hazards or interference

and

Other Electrical Appliances and Materials

\§1 of the Cabinet Order

2339 items

I- 2. Pre-Market Measures

Requirements for manufacturers or importers based in Japan

◆ 1) Report of Business Commencement

[§3 of the Law]

- ◆ 2) Compliance with Technical Requirements
 - Self declaration of conformity
 - Conduct testing and keep records

[§8 of the Law],

- ◆ 3) Third Party Conformity Assessment
 - Only for Specified Electrical Appliances and Materials

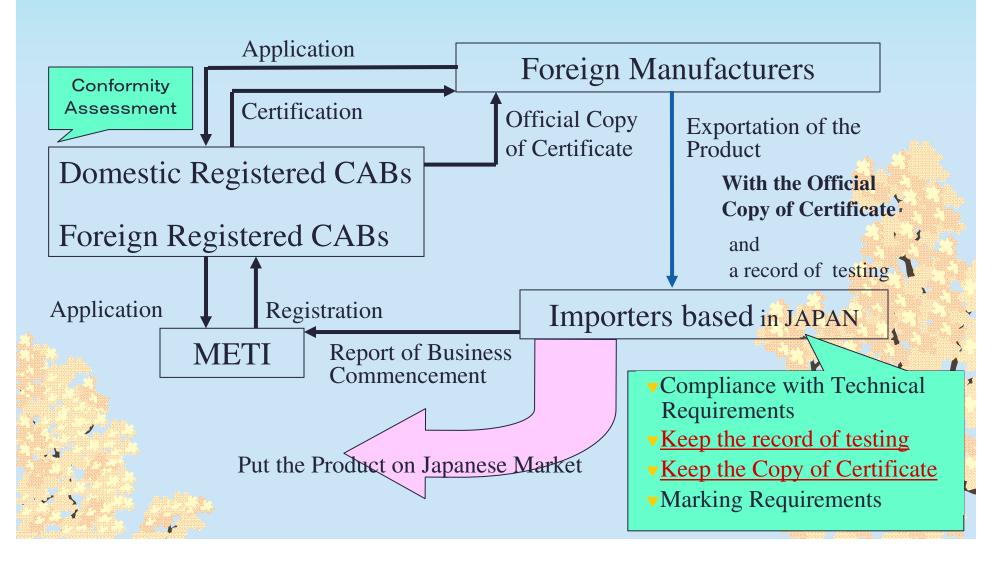
§9 of the Law

4) Marking Requirements

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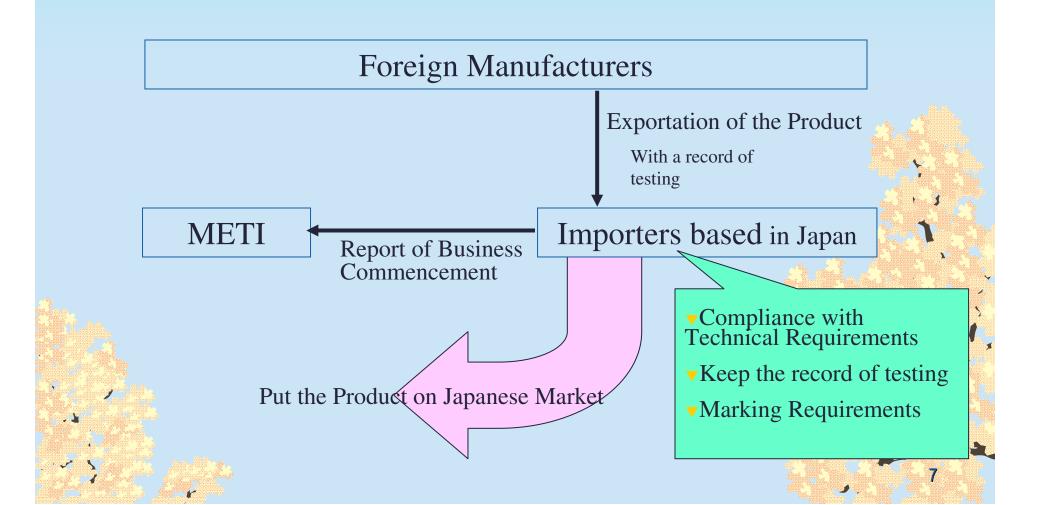
I- 2. Pre-Market Measures(1)

Procedure for <u>foreign</u> manufacturers of <u>Specified</u> Electrical Appliances and Materials



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Procedure for <u>foreign</u> manufacturers of <u>Other</u> Electrical Appliances and Materials

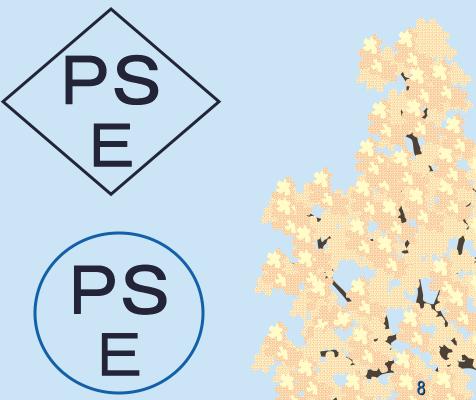


I- 2. Pre-Market Measures(4)

Marking Requirements;

- Selling electrical appliances and materials without PSE Marking is prohibited. [§27 of the Law]
- Specified Marking Requirements is stipulated by the Ordinance. [§17 of the Ordinance]
 - for <u>Specified</u>
 Electrical Appliances
 and Materials
 (115items)

for <u>Other</u>
 Electrical Appliances
 and Materials
 (339items)

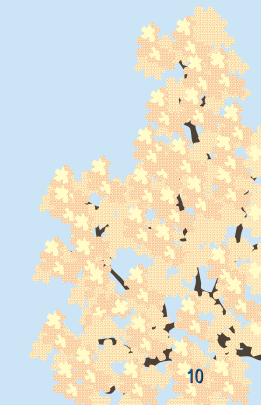


I- 3.Post Market Measures

- Order for Improvement [§11 of the Law]
- Prohibition of Marking [§12 of the Law]
- Restriction of Sales [§27 of the Law]
- Order for Prevention of Expanding Hazards
 [§42-5 of the Law]
- Order for Submission of Report (§45 of the Law)
- On-site Inspection [§46 of the Law]
- Order for Submission of Electrical Appliances and Materials [§46-2 of the Law]
- Penalty [§57,58,59,60,61 of the Law]

II. Conformity Assessment Procedures

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II- 1. Technical Requirements

Two kinds of Technical Requirements [the Technical Requirements Ordinance]

- Paragraph 1 of the Technical Requirements Ordinance
 - ⇒ stipulates Japanese original technical requirements.
 Specific contents are described in the Appendices of the Ordinance
- Paragraph 2 of the Technical Requirements Ordinance
 - ⇒ stipulates recognition of adopting technical requirements harmonized with International Standards (e.g. IEC standards). Specific contents are stipulated in the Public Announcement

II- 2. Requirements for Testing Facilities/Equipment (with regard to conformity assessment to Specified Electrical and Materials)

(In case Suppliers wish to have the conformity assessment by a method which is type testing and testing facilities inspection)

Suppliers shall possess relevant Testing
 Facilities / Equipment stipulated by the
 Ordinance and its Appendix

II- 3. Method of Conformity Assessment

[§ 14 of the Ordinance]

Registered CAB shall conduct Conformity Assessment with a method deemed appropriate to confirm conformity of the products and testing facilities with the requirements.

II- 4. Contents of Certificate

[§16 of the Ordinance]

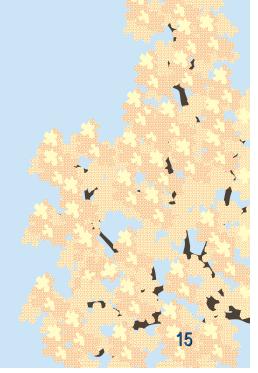
Certificates shall be issued in Japanese

- Name of the CAB
- Personal or legal name and address of applicant
- Type Classification of Specified Electrical Appliances and Materials
- Name and address of plant or place of business manufacturing the Specified Electrical Appliances and Materials
- Method of the test
- Fact of conformity of products and testing facilities / equipment
- Date of issue

II- 5. Validity of Certificates

[§ 2 of the Cabinet Order]

◆3 to 7 years with respect to
each Specified Electrical Appliance and Materials
as stipulated by the Cabinet Order



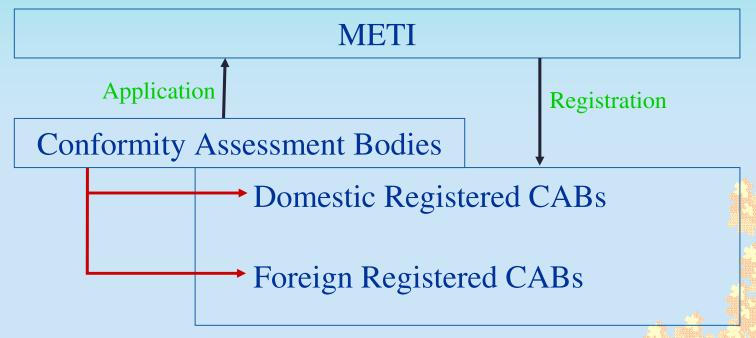
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III- 1. CAB Registration Scheme

[§29 ~ 42-4 of the Law]

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Difference between Domestic Registered CAB and Foreign Registered CAB

- ◆The METI's control measures and penalties applied to them are \ different from legal and management point of view.
- Apart from the above, both CABs are equal in terms of legal status of their conformity assessment.

III- 2. Scope of Registration [§ 19,30 of the Ordinance]

- 1. Cables and cords (par.1)
- 2. Cables and cords (par.2)
- 3. Fuses (par.1)
- 4. Fuses(par.2)
- 5. Wiring devices (par.1)
- 6. Wiring devices (par.2)
- 7. Current limiters(par.1)
- Single-phase small power transformers and discharge lamp ballasts (par.1)
- 9. Single-phase small power transformers and discharge lamp ballasts(par.2)
- 10. Heating appliances (par.1)
- 11. Heating appliances (par.2)

- 12. Electric motor-operated appliances (par.1)
- **13**. Electric motor-operated appliances(par.2)
- 14. Electronic appliances(par.1)
- 15. Alternating current electrical appliances (par.1)
- 16. Alternating current electrical appliances(par.2)
- 17. Portable engine generators(par.1)
- 18. Portable engine generators(par.2)

Notes.

par.1=Limited to those related to Paragraph 1 of the Technical Requirements Ordinance

par.2=Limited to those related to Paragraph 2 of the Technical Requirements Ordinance

III- 3 .Criteria for Registration

§ 31 of the Law

◆Being in conformity with ISO/IEC Guide 65

 Not being controlled by Reporting Suppliers who manufacture or import Specified Electrical Appliance and Materials