

A summary of the amendment

The Implementation Regulations of Tokyo Metropolitan Government Ordinance on the Environment to Secure the Health and Safety of Citizens of Tokyo.

There is the necessity to further disseminate energy-saving electric appliances as a measure against global warming at households sector in Tokyo.

Therefore, “Tokyo Metropolitan Government Ordinance on the Environment to Secure the Health and Safety of Citizens of Tokyo” requires appliances retailers to label energy-saving performance (energy-saving labels) of goods such as air conditioners, electric refrigerators, and TV receivers (CRT), when they are displayed and sold at their stores in Tokyo.

In accordance with the amendment of “Standards for manufactures on the improvement of performance of TV sets” (March 29, 2006, Ministerial notification #48, Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry) based on the article 78 of “Law concerning the Rational Use of Energy”, the article 13.5 of implementation regulations of “Tokyo Metropolitan Government Ordinance on the Environment to Secure the Health and Safety of Citizens of Tokyo” is amended, and the TV receivers which have liquid crystal display (LCD) and plasma display panel (PDP) are added as the covered products.

In addition, in accordance with the enactment of “Measures to be taken by Retailers of Energy Consuming machinery and Equipment” (August 18, 2006, Ministerial notification #258, METI), for consistency with it, a form of the energy-saving labels is revised by the amendments of the article 13.6 of the implementation regulations of “Tokyo Metropolitan Government Ordinance on the Environment to Secure the Health and Safety of Citizens of Tokyo”, and Tokyo Metropolitan notification of the “Standards for Comparative Assessment Methods on Specific Home Electric Appliances” and “Labels which Show Energy Saving Performance” (TMG notification #767, 2005)”.

Technical regulations on the labeling item cite the Japanese government’s law, of which amendments were already notified to WTO members as the WTO/TBT notification. Details are shown on the Table 1.

Table 1

Notified Technical Regulations	Document code
Revision to Enforcement Regulation for the Law Concerning the Rational Use of Energy and Ministerial Notification of the Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry. Items : Air conditioners, Electric refrigerators, Electric freezers	G/TBT/N/JPN/176 (Under the Notification until 14/09/2006.)
Revision of the Ministerial Notification, Enforcement Ordinance and Enforcement Regulation (Cabinet Order) under the Law Concerning the Rational Use of Energy. [“Standards for manufactures on the improvement of	G/TBT/N/JAPAN/152

performance of TV receivers” (March 29, 2006, Ministerial notification #48, METI)	
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Outline of the Revision

Tokyo Metropolitan Government Labeling System for Energy Saving

