

Proposal for Legal Inspection Requirements for Folding Tables

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Background:

The Bureau of Standards, Metrology and Inspection is proposing to regulate the safety of folding tables, which were involved in a number of incidents in recent years and resulted in injuries or deaths of children. The requirements will be applied to folding tables with height above 60 cm, which shall comply with CNS 15185: 2019. The conformity assessment procedure will be Registration of Product Certification (Module II-type test and Module III-declaration of conformity).

Proposed date of implementation:

1 February 2020

Products (HS/CCC codes) covered and the applicable inspection standards:

| Description of Goods | Inspection Standards | Conformity Assessment Procedures | C.C.C. Code (the first 6 digits being the same as HS Code) (for Reference) |
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| Folding tables (inspection scope: operating height above 60 cm) | CNS 15185: 2019 | Registration of Product Certification (Module II and Module III) | 9403.10.00.00 9403.20.00.00 9403.30.10.00 9403.30.90.00 9403.40.10.00 9403.40.90.00 9403.50.10.00 9403.50.90.00 9403.60.10.00 9403.60.90.00 9403.70.00.00A 9403.82.10.00 9403.82.90.00 9403.83.10.00 9403.83.90.00 9403.89.10.00 9403.89.20.00 9403.89.90.00 |

The conformity assessment procedures for the inspection scheme are as follows:

Registration of Product Certification (RPC) Scheme (Module II+ III)

Under this procedure, manufacturers must have their products type-tested by the BSMI or designated testing laboratories recognized by the BSMI (Module II) before applying for registration of their products. Manufacturers or importers will also be required to ensure by declaration (Module III) that all products made at their manufacturing facilities are in conformity with the prototypes submitted for type testing in Module II.

Products will be allowed to use the Commodity Inspection Mark, the letter “R” and the identification number given by the BSMI, after they are certified and registered with the BSMI. These products can then pass through customs directly without any further inspection. The application fee and annual fee for RPC are both NT\$5,000 for each type of product, and a RPC certificate is valid for 3 years.

Locations to apply for Type Testing:

BSMI-designated testing laboratories.

Locations to apply for Registration of Product Certification:

The BSMI or his branch offices.

Time required for Registration of Product Certification:

Fourteen working days. (This period does not include the time for corrective actions by the applicant due to deficiencies in the documents or samples.)

Related requirements for the inspection procedures:

1. Either imported or domestic manufactured commodities subject to this proposal shall conform to inspection requirements when this proposal enters into force on 1 February 2020. The applicable conformity assessment schemes are the Registration of Product Certification (RPC).
2. Upon the data of publication of this proposal, the BSMI will accept applications for registration of product. After the BSMI completes the review procedure and approves the application, the product registration certificate(s) will be issued and valid for 3 years starting from the issue date.
3. "C02" is the import regulation code of the commodities subjected to this proposal.
4. Products will be allowed to use the Commodity Inspection Mark, the letter "R" and the identification number given by the BSMI.
5. The inspection standards shall be the latest version of standards as of the date this public notice to be adopted. When the applicable standard is revised or amended, the date of applying the revised or amended standard shall be decided and announced by the BSMI.
6. The C.C.C. Codes listed in the table are used for reference only. The commodities whose product name listed in the table but not belong to the C.C.C. Codes for reference after being recognized by the Customs Administration, Ministry of Finance, or Bureau of Foreign Trade, Ministry of Economic Affairs shall still complete the inspection procedures before entering into the market.