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STANDARDS, PRODUCTIVITY
AND INNOVATION BOARD ACT
(CHAPTER 303A)

STANDARDS, PRODUCTIVITY AND INNOVATION BOARD
(CONFORMITY ASSESSMENT) (AMENDMENT)
REGULATIONS 2018

In exercise of the powers conferred by section 43(1) of the Standards, Productivity and Innovation Board Act, the Standards, Productivity and Innovation Board, with the approval of the Minister for Trade and Industry (Industry), makes the following Regulations:

Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations are the Standards, Productivity and Innovation Board (Conformity Assessment) (Amendment) Regulations 2018 and come into operation on 15 January 2018.

Amendment of regulation 2

2. Regulation 2 of the Standards, Productivity and Innovation Board (Conformity Assessment) Regulations (Rg 2) (called in these Regulations the principal Regulations) is amended —

(a) by deleting the definition of “CAB” and substituting the following definitions:

“ “alternate testing laboratory” means —

- (a) a testing laboratory or manufacturer’s testing laboratory that is recognised under the IECEE CB Scheme;
- (b) a testing laboratory that is recognised by a Foreign Recognition Body; or
- (c) a testing laboratory the test reports of which are agreed to be accepted by

one or more CAB (Certification) or CAB (Testing) under an approved testing agreement;

“approved testing agreement” means an agreement, approved by the Designating Authority, under which one or more CAB (Certification) or CAB (Testing) agree with the proprietor of a testing laboratory to accept test reports issued by that testing laboratory;

“CAB” or “conformity assessment body” means a person that performs conformity assessment or any test relating to conformity assessment;

“CAB (Certification)” means a person designated as such by the Designating Authority under regulation 7;

“CAB (Certification — MRA)” means a person designated by a country other than Singapore to carry out any certification of any product for the purposes of an MRA to which both Singapore and that country are parties;

“CAB (Testing)” means a person designated as such by the Designating Authority under regulation 7;

“CAB (Testing — MRA)” means a person designated by a country other than Singapore to carry out any testing of any product for the purposes of an MRA to which both Singapore and that country are parties;

“certificate of conformity” has the same meaning as in regulation 7(1) of the Consumer Protection (Safety Requirements) Regulations (Cap. 53, Rg 1);”;

(b) by inserting, immediately after the definition of “Designating Authority”, the following definition:

“ “Foreign Recognition Body” means an entity in a country other than Singapore that is authorised under any of the following agreements or arrangements to recognise CABs, testing laboratories, or both on behalf of that country:

(a) the Asia Pacific Laboratory Accreditation Cooperation Mutual Recognition Agreement;

(b) the International Laboratory Accreditation Cooperation Mutual Recognition Agreement;

(c) an MRA to which both Singapore and that country are parties;”;

(c) by inserting, immediately after the definition of “IECEE”, the following definition:

“ “IECEE CB Scheme” means the scheme known as the International Electrotechnical Commission System of Conformity Assessment Schemes for Electrotechnical Equipment and Components Certification Bodies Scheme, administered by the IEC;”;
and

(d) by deleting the definitions of “MRA” and “RTL” and substituting the following definition:

“ “MRA” means —

(a) a bilateral mutual recognition agreement or arrangement between Singapore and any other country; or

(b) a multilateral mutual recognition agreement or arrangement between Singapore and 2 or more other countries.”.

Deletion and substitution of regulation 3

3. Regulation 3 of the principal Regulations is deleted and the following regulation substituted therefor:

“Application for designation as CAB (Testing) or CAB (Certification)

3.—(1) An application by a person to the Designating Authority to be designated as a CAB (Testing) or a CAB (Certification) must be made in accordance with the provisions of this Part.

(2) A person may apply to the Designating Authority to be designated as a CAB (Testing) to carry out either or both of the following:

- (a) test any product to be supplied in Singapore that is specified in the First Schedule to the Consumer Protection (Safety Requirements) Regulations (Cap. 53, Rg 1) for conformity to the applicable safety requirements in regulation 7(1) or (2) of those Regulations;
- (b) test any product to be supplied in a country other than Singapore for conformity to the applicable requirements specified in an MRA to which both Singapore and that country are parties.

(3) A person may apply to the Designating Authority to be designated as a CAB (Certification) to carry out either or both of the following:

- (a) certify whether any product to be supplied in Singapore that is specified in the First Schedule to the Consumer Protection (Safety Requirements) Regulations conforms to the applicable safety requirements in regulation 7(1) of those Regulations;
- (b) certify whether any product to be supplied in a country other than Singapore conforms to the applicable requirements specified in an MRA to which both Singapore and that country are parties.

(4) A person who, not being —

(a) a CAB (Certification) designated to carry out the certification mentioned in paragraph (3)(a); or

(b) a CAB (Certification — MRA),

issues a certificate of conformity for the purposes of the registration of any product under regulation 7(1) of the Consumer Protection (Safety Requirements) Regulations, shall be guilty of an offence.

(5) A person who, not being —

(a) a CAB (Certification) designated to carry out the certification mentioned in paragraph (3)(b); or

(b) a CAB (Certification — MRA),

certifies that any product to be supplied in a country other than Singapore conforms to the applicable requirements specified in an MRA to which both Singapore and that country are parties, shall be guilty of an offence.”.

Amendment of regulation 4

4. Regulation 4 of the principal Regulations is amended —

(a) by deleting the words “designated as a CAB (Local) or a CAB (Local — MRA)” and substituting the words “a CAB (Testing) or a CAB (Certification)”;

(b) by deleting paragraph (a) and substituting the following paragraph:

“(a) carries on —

(i) in the case of an application for designation as a CAB (Certification), a business of conformity assessment in Singapore or in a country specified in the First Schedule; and

(ii) in the case of an application for designation as a CAB (Testing), a