

**Singapore Institute of Standards and Industrial Research Act
(CHAPTER 301)**

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**SINGAPORE INSTITUTE OF STANDARDS AND INDUSTRIAL
RESEARCH ACT**

(CHAPTER 301)

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An Act to establish the Singapore Institute of Standards and Industrial Research; and to provide for the publication by the Institute of standards in relation to products and processes; for the granting of licences for the use of the Marks of the Institute; for the quality control of specified export commodities; for the promotion of industrial research; and for matters connected therewith.

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PART I

PRELIMINARY

Short Title

1. This Act may be cited as the Singapore Institute of Standards and Industrial Research Act.

Interpretation

2. In this Act, unless the context otherwise requires —

“Board” means the Economic Development Board established under section 3 of the Economic Development Board Act [Cap. 85];

“Chairman” means the Chairman of the Institute appointed under section 4;

“chief executive” means the chief executive of the Institute appointed under section 16 and includes any temporary chief executive of the Institute.

“industry” includes any trade, manufacturing or service industry and other related activities;

“inspector” means an inspector appointed under section 13;

“Institute” means the Singapore Institute of Standards and Industrial Research established under section 3;

“licence” means a licence granted or renewed by the Institute for the use of a Mark;

“Mark” means a Mark of the Institute referred to in section 10(b);

“mark” includes any device, brand, heading, label, ticket, pictorial representation,

- name, signature, word, letter or numeral or any combination thereof;
- “notified commodity” means any commodity which is specified as being subject to quality control prior to export as provided in section 12;
- “other standard” means a standard other than a Singapore Standard;
- “process” means any practice, system, procedure or activity in industry, and includes any process for —
- (a) the design, manufacture, construction, installation, operation or maintenance of products, instruments, plant or equipment; and
 - (b) the design, administration or operation of any system of quality management or testing;
- “product” means any commodity, article or substance, artificial or natural or partly artificial or natural, or whether tangible or intangible, or whether raw or partly or wholly processed or manufactured, and includes any service;
- “quality control” means a process, carried out at any time, including inspection, tests, record keeping or otherwise, to ascertain whether or to ensure that a product satisfies any standard applicable to it;
- “quality management” includes the setting of quality objectives and quality control, organisation, delineation of responsibilities, training, control of documentation and management of rejects and complaints to achieve those quality objectives;
- “registering authority” means any authority competent under any written law to register a company, firm or other body of persons, or a trade mark or design, or to grant a patent;
- “Singapore Standard” means a standard published by the Institute as provided in section 10(a);
- “standard” means a code, definition, classification, specification or description of a product or process, as far as possible, by reference to its procedure, safety requirement, mode of manufacture, nature, material, quality, strength, purity, composition, quantity, dimensions, weight, grade, durability, origin, age or other characteristics or any combination of the same;
- “trade mark” has the same meaning as in the Trade Marks Act [Cap. 332].

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PART II