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Saudi Arabia Confirms Implementation Date of the RoHS Regulation

On Jul. 9, 2021, the Saudi Standards, Metrology and Quality Organization (SASO) published the Technical Regulation for Restriction of Hazardous Substances in Electrical and Electronic Equipment (*SASO RoHS*). Six categories of EEEs under this regulation must meet relevant requirements before entering the Saudi Market. This Technical Regulation was originally scheduled to take effect on Jan. 5, 2022.

On Dec. 5, 2021, SASO decided to postpone this implementation for a period of six months.

From July 4, 2022, this regulation will be commenced in stages, starting with Small Electrical Home Appliances.

Please contact our Customer Service Team for more information!

The restricted substances, product scope and latest enforcement date under SASO RoHS are summarized as follows:

1. Restricted substances and limits

Restricted Substance	Limit (WT %)
Lead (Pb), Mercury (Hg), Hexavalent Chromium (Cr(VI)), Polybrominated biphenyls (PBB), Polybrominated biphenyls ethers (PBDE)	0.1
Cadmium (Cd)	0.01

2. Product scope and enforcement date

Categories of EEE Covered by the Regulation Scope		Mandatory Date
Electrical Home Appliances	*Small Electrical Home Appliances*	*04/07/2022*
	Large Electrical Home Appliances	02/10/2022
Information And Communication Technology Equipment		31/12/2022
Lighting Equipment		31/03/2023
Electrical And Electronic Tools And Equipment		29/06/2023
Games, Entertainment Devices, And Sports Equipment		27/09/2023
Monitoring and control tools.		26/12/2023

The SASO RoHS also requires a conformity assessment. Any supplier responsible for placing electrical and electronic equipment on the Saudi market, must obtain a certificate of conformity issued by a notified body approved by SASO, in accordance with the Conformity Assessment Form (Type 1a) as per ISO/IEC 17067. The product must be accompanied by a technical file that includes supplier (manufacturer/importer) Declaration of Conformity, risk assessment document, the necessary warnings, cautions and manuals for the safe and proper use of the product.

With a proven track record in product safety certification, SGS' global network and specialists are the ideal partner to verify your compliance to RoHS.