

2022 News Brief



In Tabseer we are keen to keep our partners informed with all the updates relevant to the Saudi market. So, our team prepared for you a brief for all regulatory updates announced by the Saudi Standards, Metrology, and Quality Organization (SASO) during the year 2022.



الهواصفات السعودية
Saudi Standards

Applying the Technical Regulation for Leather Product

The Technical Regulation for Leather Products started to be applied on all manufactured and imported natural leather or synthetic leather or a mixture of both leather products to the Saudi market on 5/1/2022.



هيئة الزكاة والضريبة والجمارك
Zakat, Tax and Customs Authority

The Zakat, Tax and Customs Authority published updates on the integrated customs tariff

The Zakat, Tax, and Customs Authority has published a set of customs tariff updates on a number of items and items of products, which started to be applied on January 1, 2022.



الهواصفات السعودية
Saudi Standards

Implementation of the Technical Regulation for Machine Safety - Part Two

SASO started obliging local importers and manufacturers to apply the requirements of the Technical Regulations for Machinery Safety - Part Two: Mobile Machines and Heavy Work Equipment, on products displayed in the Saudi market, whether locally or imported.



الهواصفات السعودية
Saudi Standards

Approval of the mandatory Saudi standard (SASO 2663/2021).

SASO issued a circular to confirm the adoption of the mandatory (updated) Saudi standard No. (SASO 2663/2021) entitled "Air conditioners - minimum requirements for energy efficiency, labeling and testing for small capacity air conditioners of the window and split type".



هيئة التقييس
GCC

Applying the requirements of the Gulf Technical Regulation for Low Voltage Electrical Equipment and Appliances.

The Gulf Standardization Organization started obligating the application of the requirements of the Gulf Technical Regulations for Low Voltage Electrical Equipment and Appliances. The regulation covers all electrical and electronic equipment and appliances, devices, and fixtures that contain electrical or electronic components designed for use with a voltage rating between 50 and 1000 volts for alternating current and between 75 and 1500 volts for direct current.



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SASO issued the indicative guide for the Technical Regulation for restrictions of Hazardous Substances in Electrical and Electronic Equipment

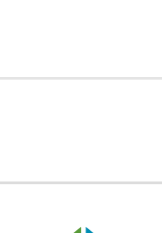
SASO issued the guide for the Technical Regulation for restrictions of Hazardous Substances in Electrical and Electronic Equipment. This regulation was published in the Official Gazette on 9/7/2021 and started to be applied gradually starting from 7/7/2022.



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Saudi Standards

Launching the initiative " Raising the efficiency of energy consumption for products "

SASO announced the adoption of the initiative "Raising the efficiency of energy consumption for products", in cooperation with the Saudi Center for Energy Efficiency within the framework of the Saudi Program for Energy Efficiency in order to encourage the import and manufacture of high-efficiency models, by imposing an additional fee for issuing the energy efficiency labels for less efficient products.



الهواصفات السعودية
Saudi Standards

SASO adopted a number of technical regulations

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The Technical Council of the GSO adopted (680) Gulf Standards and Technical Regulations

The Technical Council of the GCC Standardization Organization adopted new Gulf standards for a number of goods and products that amount to (653) Gulf standards. The Council also approved the adoption of (27) draft Gulf technical regulations and recommended submitting them to the Ministerial Committee for Standardization Affairs for adoption as Gulf technical regulations.



الهواصفات السعودية
Saudi Standards

SASO announced mandatory start dates for submitting technical files and photos on Saber

The Saudi Standards, Metrology and Quality Organization announced mandatory dates for submitting technical files on Saber Electronic Platform, which will be from June 23, 2022, and all accepted conformity assessment bodies will have to submit the following data on Saber before issuing the product certificate of conformity, including:

- Conformity Assessment (Type 1a): (Test Report, Risk Assessment Document).
- Conformity Assessment (Type 3): (Test Report, Risk Assessment Document, Factory Audit Report).

SASO obligated users adding photos of nonregulated products when they are registered on Saber starting from 17 June 2022.



سaber

Saber obligated adding photos of products to issue the Shipment Certificate

Saber announced that adding photos of the non-regulated products to issue the Shipment Certificate of Conformity became mandatory starting from July 21, 2022.



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Saudi Standards

SASO implemented the industrial audit on products

The Saudi Standards, Metrology and Quality Organization announced in a circular starting the implementation of the industrial audit to limited products (4 products). SASO obligated importers and manufacturers to fill out the self-declaration when submitting the application for the Shipment Certificate of Conformity via Saber electronic platform starting from 31/7/2022.



الهواصفات السعودية
Saudi Standards

SASO updated the Technical Regulation for Restrictions of Hazardous Substances in Electrical and Electronic Equipment

During its meeting No. (186) held on 30/6/2022, the Saudi Standards, Metrology and Quality Organization updated the scope of application of the Technical Regulation for Restrictions of Hazardous Substances in Electrical and Electronic Equipment, in addition to amending the technical requirements for issuing the certificate. This update was published in the Official Gazette on 29/7/2022.



الهواصفات السعودية
Saudi Standards

SASO approved updating 53 standards

The Official Gazette published the decision of the Saudi Standards, Metrology, and Quality Organization to approve updating 53 Saudi standards set in Arabic based on the international and American Standards including 4 standards based on the American Society for Testing and Material (ASTM), 35 standards based on the standards of the International Standardization Organization (ISO), 7 standards based on the standards of the Independent Electrical Commission, and 7 standards based on the international standards (ISO/IEC).



الهواصفات السعودية
Saudi Standards

SASO updated the Technical Regulation for Front, Rear, and Side Barriers for Trucks and Trailers

The Official Gazette published SASO's decision to update the Technical Regulation for Front, Rear, and Side Barriers for Trucks and Trailers including:

- Article 1: updating and adding to Terms and Definition.
- Article 2: adding new categories to the scope.
- Article (4-5-6): updating the requirements.
- Annex 1: updating standards.
- Annex (2-4): updating HS Codes and procedures.



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Saudi Standards

SASO issued the timeline for implementing the amendments to a number of products standards

SASO issued a circular regarding the timeline of implementing the amendments to the standards (SASO IEC 60335-2-21) for electric implementing water heaters, (SASO IEC 60335-2-30) for room heaters, and (SASO 2815) for cord extensions approved on 20/8/2021.

The timeline for implementing the amendments to the standards is as follows:

- Stop issuing the conformity certificate according to the old standards on 1/3/2023.
- Implementing the new standards in the customs ports and local factories on 1/6/2023.
- Stop placing the products that obtained the conformity certificate according to the old standards in the markets on 1/8/2024.



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SASO approved updating 128 Standards

The Saudi Standards, Metrology and Quality Organization (SASO) decided in its meeting held on 2/10/2022 to approve updating 128 Saudi standards set in Arabic based on the international, European, and American Standards including 37 standards based on the American Society for Testing and Material (ASTM), 44 standards based on the standards of the International Standardization Organization (ISO), 24 standards based on the standards of the Independent Electrical Commission (IEC), 3 standards based on the international standards (ISO/IEC), 16 standards based on the standards of the European Committee for Standardization, and 4 standards based on the Underwriters Laboratories.



هيئة التقييس
GCC

The Technical Council of the GSO adopted (67) Gulf Standards and Technical Regulations

Saud bin Nasser Al-Khussaiby, Chairman of the GCC Standardization Organization (GSO), explained that in its fifty-third meeting, the Technical Council of the Organization adopted 56 Gulf standards for a number of products and approved 11 draft Gulf technical regulations to be submitted to the Ministerial Committee for Standardization Affairs for adoption as Gulf technical regulations.



الهواصفات السعودية
Saudi Standards

Official Gazette Published Technical Regulation for Simple Pressure Vessels

Official Gazette Published SASO's decision to adopt the Technical Regulation for Simple Pressure Vessels.



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Saudi Standards

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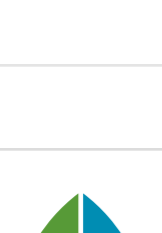
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Approving the amendment of the Technical Regulation for Electric batteries

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Saudi Standards

The official gazette published the Technical Regulation for Pressure Equipment

Official Gazette Published SASO's decision to the Technical Regulation for Pressure Equipment



الهواصفات السعودية
Saudi Standards

SASO approved the General Regulation of Conformity Certificates

The Saudi Standards, Metrology, and Quality Organization approved in its meeting No. 187 held on 27/9/2022 the update of the General Regulation of Conformity Certificates.

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