

## The Monthly Newsletter

This newsletter will document all industry and importation-related developments in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia.

It provides a monthly summary of all Saudi market developments and news related to regulatory changes made by the Saudi Standards and Quality Authority. This includes information on products intended for sale in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia.

### A virtual workshop on the requirements of the Saudi Quality Mark for steam compression devices is being organized by Tabseer

Tabseer Company recently hosted a virtual workshop to discuss the criteria for obtaining the Saudi Quality Mark for portable devices that run on liquefied petroleum gas at vapour pressure. The workshop, held on Thursday, June 2024 ,27 AD - Dhu al-Hijjah 1445 ,21 AH, covered various topics including the role of the Saudi Standards,

Metrology and Quality Organization in awarding the Saudi Quality Mark, Tabseer Company's role as a recognized conformity assessment body, and the geographical scope of its operations. Furthermore, the workshop also addressed the key features and requirements of the Saudi Quality Mark, as well as the customer's journey to obtain it.

Other points of discussion included standard specifications for gas-powered steam compression devices, audit visits to factories, and the challenges facing manufacturers in this sector.



### Tabseer participates in the Guangzhou International Lighting Exhibition 2024



Tabseer Company recently participated in the Guangzhou International Lighting Exhibition 2024, which took place from June 9 to 12 at the China Import and Export Fair exhibition hall. The event showcased cutting-edge technologies and products, featuring LED lighting, smart lighting, urban lighting, building lighting, stage lighting, and more. Recognized as a key global lighting industry exhibition, it was a crucial platform for fostering communication and collaboration among exhibitors and visitors, promoting industry development and innovation.

### Circular updating the customs clause for the lighting product (Self-Ballasted LED-Lamp)

The Saudi Standards, Metrology and Quality Authority explained, in a circular issued by it, that the customs clause has been updated on the Saber electronic platform for the lighting product.



(Self-Ballasted LED-Lamp) From customs item (854370900010) to customs item (853952000002) - Lamps with light-emitting diodes (LED) with a power of more than (60 watts).

The Authority added that approved entities can issue Certificates of Conformity (COC) for the product (Self-Ballasted LED-Lamp) only per the above customs clause through the Saber platform after fulfilling all requirements in addition to fulfilling the requirements of the technical regulations for energy efficiency.

### When requesting a consignment certificate, the declaration form needs to be updated with new products as per the circular

The Saudi Standards, Metrology, and Quality Organization has issued a circular stating that several new products have been added to the list of items requiring a declaration form when applying for a consignment certificate.

These products include: concrete improvers, car batteries, rebar, painted iron flats, galvanized iron flats, ceramics, and porcelain. As of June 2024 ,27, consignment certificates for these products will not be approved through the Saber electronic platform unless the importer submits a declaration approved by the Ministry of Industry and Mineral Resources as part of the technical file.

The organization will also randomly sample consignment certificates to verify the presence of the approved declaration for the newly added products and previously circulated items such as tissue rolls, manhole covers, polyester fibres, shade windows, ceramic tiles, iron and steel, ductile pipes, white cement, warehouse shelves, and paper cups.

### The Standardization Organization signs a memorandum of understanding with the American Society of Heating and Refrigerating Engineers

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Engineer Nawaf Al Mana, Chairman of the Gulf Standardization Organization, confirmed that the memorandum of understanding will support the establishment of cooperative and constructive working relations between GSO and ASHRAE, in addition to improving communication and coordination in many areas of common interest.

### The Standardization Organization participates in the sixth trade and investment dialogue between the Gulf Cooperation Council and the European Union

In the latest development, the Gulf Standardization Organization actively participated in the sixth trade and investment dialogue between the Gulf Cooperation Council and the European Union. The dialogue took place at the European Commission headquarters in Brussels, Belgium, on May 2024 ,30. Notable attendees included experts and specialists from ministries, bodies, and competent authorities in the Gulf Cooperation Council countries, as well as their counterparts from relevant departments and committees of the European Commission and the European External Action Service.

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### The Industrial Fund is exploring methods for integrating with the Saudi Standards Authority

"His Highness Prince Sultan bin Khalid bin Faisal leads a delegation from the Saudi Industrial Development Fund in a visit to the main headquarters of the Saudi Standards, Metrology and Quality Organization. The purpose of the visit was to discuss integration strategies aimed at supporting and empowering the industrial sector in the Kingdom as part of the National Strategy for Industry. The focus was on improving the quality of industrial products in the Kingdom through collaboration in advisory services, data exchange, technical regulations, quality marking, and training."

### Saudi Exports" wins" the international "MMA SMARTIES" award

The Saudi Export Development Authority, through its "Made in Saudi Arabia" program, was awarded the bronze award in the "Marketing via Digital Media" category at the MMA SMARTIES International Awards. This award recognizes the significant impact of its media coverage of the Made in Saudi Arabia exhibition in its second edition. The category celebrates campaigns that effectively utilize digital platforms to create a compelling and cohesive brand experience. The award was granted by a global committee of marketing experts and agency executives based on various criteria and performance measurements.

The MMA is a prominent marketing trade association that unites marketers, technology service providers, and suppliers, encompassing over 800 member companies globally and maintaining 14 regional offices.

### Saudi Standards" signs a memorandum of understanding" with the American Project Management Institute

The Saudi Standards, Metrology and Quality Organization has signed a memorandum of understanding with the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia branch of the American Project Management Institute during the Global Project Management Forum. The aim is to enhance cooperation between the two parties and establish a strategic partnership by outlining the main framework of work and identifying current and future areas of collaboration.

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### Saudi Exports" signs" a memorandum of understanding with the "Alibaba" platform to enhance the international presence of Saudi products



The Saudi Export Development Authority signed a memorandum of understanding with the Alibaba platform during the Gulf-China Cooperation Forum for Industries and Investment in the city of Xiamen, People's Republic of China, on May 23 and 2024 ,24. The signing took place in the presence of His Excellency the Minister of Investment, Engineer Khalid Al-Falih, who was leading the Saudi delegation at the forum.

The memorandum of understanding aims to enhance the visibility of Saudi products on the Alibaba platform, providing better opportunities to reach a wider global customer base and facilitating the entry of Saudi products into international markets. This collaboration with Alibaba, one of the largest electronic platforms globally, is a demonstration of the efforts of "Saudi Exports" to support Saudi exporters and enable them to access global markets. This partnership will open up new horizons for Saudi products and contribute to achieving the authority's goals of increasing non-oil exports and diversifying sources of income for the national economy in line with the Kingdom's Vision 2030.