

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.

Tabseer Tech Expands Accreditation for Product Inspection, Boosting Quality Assurance

Tabseer Tech Certification has significantly expanded the scope of its accreditation for product inspection activities under the ISO 17020 standard. The expansion, granted by the Egyptian Accreditation Council (EGAC), underscores the company's strong commitment to enhancing quality and reliability for manufacturers and importers.

This achievement broadens the horizons for Tabseer Tech to support its clients in ensuring their products meet international quality and safety standards. The enhanced accreditation will help manufacturers and importers confidently ensure the quality and safety of their goods, facilitating access to both local and international markets.

Newly Accredited Product Categories:

- Children's Toys
- Leather Products
- Brake Systems (Brakes)
- Batteries
- LPG Cylinder Valves
- Household Electrical Appliances
- Aluminum Cooking Utensils
- Ceramic Tableware
- Heat-Resistant Glass Cookware
- Household Stainless Steel Cooking Utensils
- Glass Tableware
- Melamine Tableware
- Locks
- Bicycles
- Motorcycles and Mopeds (Small Two-Wheeled Vehicles)
- Apparel and Household Textiles
- Carpets and Textile Floor Coverings
- Footwear and its Components
- Fabric Dyeing, Printing, or Finishing Processes
- Tin Soldering Wires



By securing this expanded scope, Tabseer Tech continues to empower its partners to enter markets with confidence. The company provides accredited inspection services that reflect the highest global standards, reinforcing its role as a key player in quality assurance and market access facilitation.

"This milestone is a testament to our dedication to maintaining the highest levels of competence and impartiality in our inspection services," a company spokesperson stated. "We are ready to support a wider array of industries in meeting rigorous international compliance requirements."

Tabseer Participates in the Prestigious Cersaie 2025 International Exhibition



Tabseer, a leading Saudi company, is proudly participating in the Cersaie 2025 International Exhibition of Ceramic Tile and Bathroom Furnishings, held in Bologna, Italy, from September 22 to 2025 ,26.

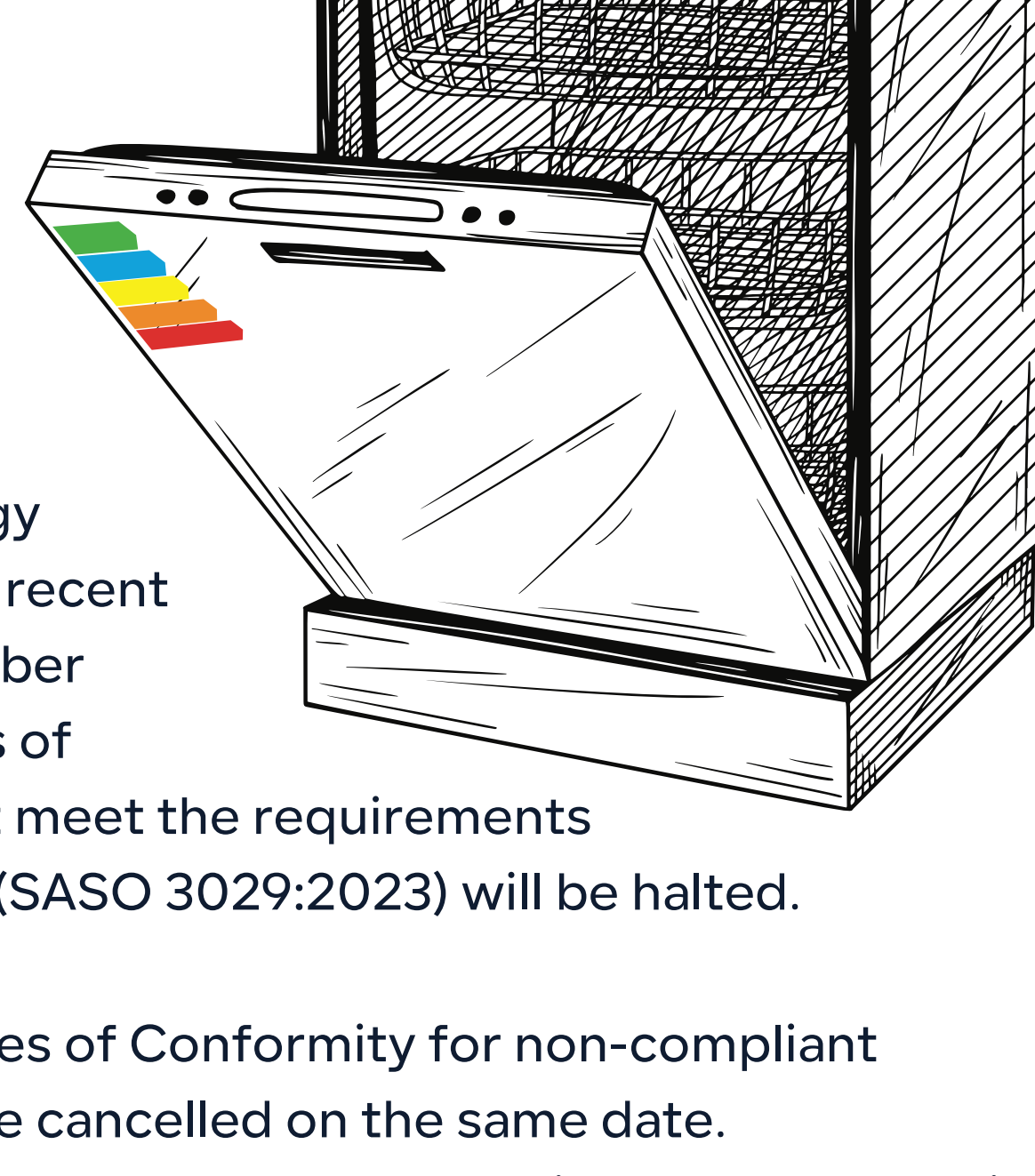
The company's delegation is headed by Eng. Mansoor Al-Qahtani, Chief Executive Officer of Tabseer, and Eng. Mohammed Bawazir, Sales Manager. Their presence underscores Tabseer's commitment to engaging with the global forefront of the ceramics and interior design industry. This strategic participation aligns with Tabseer's broader vision to support Saudi entrepreneurs and business leaders.

By providing access to global trends and innovations, the company aims to enhance the competitiveness of local businesses and facilitate the transfer of successful international practices and products to the Saudi market.

Cersaie is recognized as one of the world's most prominent platforms for the building and interior design materials sector. It brings together major international manufacturers, companies, and industry pioneers to showcase the latest innovations and contemporary solutions in ceramics, porcelain, and related fields.

Tabseer's involvement highlights its role as a key connector between global advancements and the dynamic Saudi market.

New Energy Efficiency Standards for Dishwashers Take Effect: Phase Two Starts December 2025 ,31



The Saudi Standards, Metrology and Quality Organization (SASO) has confirmed the implementation date for Phase Two of the energy efficiency standard for electric dishwashers. In a recent circular, SASO announced that, effective December 2025 ,31, the registration of any new Certificates of Conformity for dishwasher products that do not meet the requirements of Phase Two of the energy efficiency standard (SASO 3029:2023) will be halted.

Previous Certificates to Be Invalidated

Furthermore, all previously registered Certificates of Conformity for non-compliant products currently on the SABER platform will be cancelled on the same date.

SASO emphasized the critical importance for manufacturers and suppliers to ensure their products comply with the Phase Two requirements.

This compliance is essential to guarantee the uninterrupted circulation and sale of dishwashers within the Saudi market.

The move is part of the Kingdom's ongoing efforts to promote sustainable consumption and raise the energy efficiency of appliances used by consumers.

Saudi Importers Now Required to Submit Ministry of Industry Declaration for Shipment Certificates



The Saudi Standards, Metrology and Quality Organization (SASO) has announced a mandatory new step for importers seeking to clear their goods.

In a recently issued circular, SASO confirmed that, effective today, September 2025 ,15, importers are now required to submit the approved Declaration Form from the Ministry of Industry and Mineral Resources (MIM). This form is an essential prerequisite for obtaining approval for the Certificate of Shipment for all products specified in the circular.

Enhanced Verification Process

SASO further clarified that it will continue to conduct random sampling of shipment certificates issued through its system to verify the presence of the approved declaration. This stringent verification process will specifically target:

- Newly added products
- Products that have been the subject of previous circulars

The organization urged all importers to fully comply with the new instructions. Adherence to this requirement is critical to ensure the smooth processing of procedures and to avoid potential delays or rejection of shipments at customs ports.

SABER Platform Updates Customs Codes for Regulatory Compliance



The Saudi Standards, Metrology and Quality Organization (SASO) has announced an update to a set of Customs Codes (HS Codes) on the SABER electronic platform.

SASO stated that these updated Customs Codes will be subject to technical regulations within 30 days, starting from September 2025 ,15.

The Customs Codes affected by this update primarily include products covered under the Technical Regulation for Amusement Park Devices and Games.

Impact on Importers and Manufacturers

This change means that products falling under these updated codes will require specific Certificates of Conformity to ensure they meet the mandatory technical regulations before being imported into the Kingdom.

The initiative is part of SASO's ongoing efforts to enhance product safety, quality, and regulatory compliance across various sectors in the Saudi market. Importers and manufacturers of amusement park equipment and games are urged to ensure their products comply with the updated codes and associated technical regulations before the deadline.

Saudi Arabia Secures Seat on ISO Technical Management Board for 2028-2026

The Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, represented by the Saudi Standards, Metrology and Quality Organization (SASO), has been elected to the Technical Management Board (TMB) of the International Organization for Standardization (ISO) for the 2028–2026 term.

This achievement underscores SASO's effective and influential role on the global stage of standardization and quality.

Securing this TMB membership is viewed as a significant strategic step that will enhance Saudi Arabia's influence in shaping the technical direction of ISO. The membership ensures that the organization's technical trends and standards align with the Kingdom's national priorities and the initiatives set forth by Vision 2030.

By holding a seat on the TMB, Saudi Arabia will contribute to the development of the national quality infrastructure and better serve various economic sectors through globally recognized standards.

SASO Hosts Mobile Cybersecurity Awareness Exhibition in Riyadh



The Mobile Cybersecurity Exhibition has officially launched at the headquarters of the Saudi Standards, Metrology and Quality Organization (SASO) in Riyadh. The exhibition is a collaborative effort jointly organized with the National Cybersecurity Authority (NCA).

The launch event was attended by Eng. Majed bin Mohammed Al-Mazyed, Governor of the National Cybersecurity Authority, and Dr. Saad bin Othman Al-Kasabi, Governor of SASO, alongside numerous officials and employees from both organizations.

The exhibition aims to significantly enhance cybersecurity awareness and build a robust cyber culture among SASO employees, thereby mitigating cyber risks.

The event features five interactive wings designed to engage participants through:

- Presentations on core cybersecurity concepts and the latest technologies.
- Simulations of common cyber-attacks.
- Consultations and guidance on best practices for maintaining security within the work environment.

This initiative is a crucial step in reinforcing the cyber resilience of government bodies and ensuring a secure digital workspace.

Saudi FDA Updates List of Prohibited Ingredients in Cosmetic Products

The Saudi Food and Drug Authority (SFDA) has announced an update to its list of substances prohibited from being used in the manufacture of cosmetic products.

In a recently issued circular, the SFDA stated that it has added several materials to the restricted list.

This decision is part of the Authority's continuous efforts to review and evaluate the ingredients in cosmetic products to ensure their safe use by consumers.

The new additions are mandated by Article Four of the Cosmetic Products Law (issued by Royal Decree No. M/49 on 1436/6/18H), which stipulates that the SFDA shall "determine the substances prohibited and restricted from use in cosmetic products, and shall publish them on its website."

The SFDA affirmed its commitment to protecting consumers and ensuring that all cosmetic products circulated in the Kingdom are safe and compliant with approved regulations.

Global Accolades at MUSE 15 ZATCA Triumphs with Creative Awards

The Zakat, Tax, and Customs Authority (ZATCA) has achieved significant global creative recognition, sweeping 15 prestigious awards at the MUSE Creative Awards.

These awards are internationally recognized as among the most prominent honours in the fields of marketing and visual creativity.

ZATCA's remarkable haul firmly establishes its prominent standing among government and international participants. The authority was recognized across two major video campaigns:

Saudi Authorized Economic Operator (AEO) Video: This campaign secured 6 awards, including four Gold awards and two Platinum awards.

ZATCA Conference Launch Video: This production earned nine Gold awards, highlighting its excellence in creative execution.

This impressive win underscores the leading position ZATCA has established in showcasing its vital role through effective and creative content production.

The awards validate the authority's ability to develop influential marketing and media campaigns and effectively utilize modern communication tools to strengthen its presence both locally and globally.

The recognition highlights ZATCA's efforts to facilitate zakat, tax, and customs procedures through engaging and impactful public communication.