

# **Regulations for Compulsory Product Certification Mark**

## **Chapter I General Provisions**

### **Article 1**

The following regulations are announced for statutory implementation based on relevant laws and regulations to strengthen and unify supervision and administration governing the compulsory product certification mark (hereinafter referred to as Certification Mark) so as to safeguard the legitimate rights and interests of the consumers.

### **Article 2**

These regulations are applicable to the design approval, announcement, use and control of certification mark relevant to the Catalogue of Products Subject to Compulsory Product Certification (hereinafter referred to as the Catalogue).

### **Article 3**

The Certification and Accreditation Administration of the People's Republic of China (CNCA) is the competent authority to give approval of the design, announce for statutory implementation the certification mark and to exercise relevant supervision and administration.

### **Article 4**

Any product covered by the Catalogue must first obtain a certificate from the

Certification Bodies Designated by CNCA (hereinafter referred to as DCBs), and must meet certification criteria during the validity period of certification before the Certification Mark is applied.

#### **Article 5**

The Catalogue products must be certified and applied the certification mark before they are marketed, imported, or used for any commercial purposes.

## **Chapter II      The design of the Certification Mark**

#### **Article 6**

The Certification Mark is referred to as “China Compulsory Certification (CCC)” .

#### **Article 7**

The Certification Mark consists of two identities: the core design, and the letter reference indicating the type of certification.

(1) The core design is shown in Figure I below.



Figure I

(2) The letter reference indicating the type of certification is shown in Figure II below. The letter reference is printed in small capital letter(s) in the right of the core design to indicate the type of certification. The letter

reference reflects the type of certification, for example “S” represents “safety”. CNCA will design and announce for mandatory implementation the letter reference required.

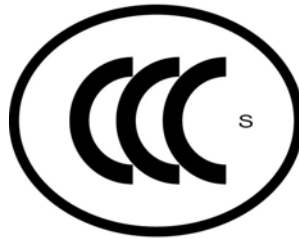


Figure II

**Article 8**

For certified special products, such as the nature of wire and cable, the three statutory CCC only, as special deviation, will be applied and not circled.

**Article 9**

The specifications of the Certification Mark

The certification marks fall into two categories, standard-size and irregular-size certification marks.

(1) The standard-size has five categories. See Table 1 and Figure 3 for specifications.

Table 1 specifications of the standard-size certification mark mm

size \ No.	1	2	3	4	5
A	8	15	30	45	60
A1	7.5	14	28	42	56
B	6.3	11.8	23.5	35.3	47
B1	5.8	10.8	21.5	32.3	43

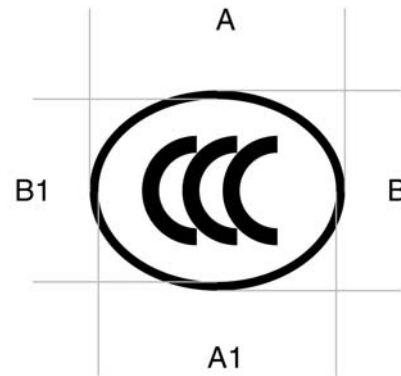
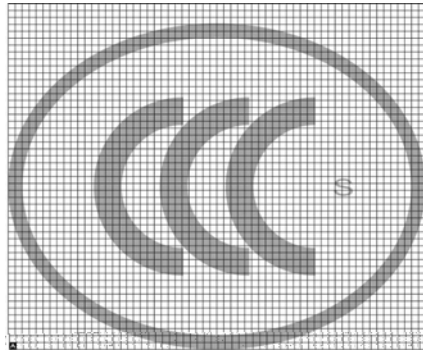


Figure 3

- (2) The irregular-size certification marks vary in size, but must be in proportional line to the standard-size.

### **Article 10**

#### The color of the Certification Mark

- (1) The standard-size certification marks printed only by CNCA are of black design on a white background.
- (2) If the certification mark is printed, pressed, molded, screen-printed, painted, etched, carved, stamped or sealed on the product(s) or the nameplate(s) of the product(s), the color of the background and that of the design can be reasonably altered so as to match the appearance of the product(s) or the nameplate(s) of the product(s).

## **Chapter III The use of the Certification Mark**

### **Article 11**

The manner in which the certification mark is applied to the certified products may be selected based on the nature of the product(s).

- (1) The standard-size certification marks printed only by CNCA shall be affixed to the specified place on the outer body of the certified product(s).
- (2) If the certification mark is printed, pressed, molded, screen-printed, painted, etched, carved, stamped or sealed on the product(s) or the nameplate(s) of the product(s), it shall be applied on an exposed location on the outer body of the product(s) or the nameplate(s) of the product(s).
- (3) If it is not appropriate to apply the certification mark to the body of the product(s), the certification mark must be applied to the smallest packing of the product(s) and indicated in the attached document(s).
- (4) For certified products of a special nature that would not be appropriate for certification marks to be applied, the special derivation of the “China Compulsory Certification (CCC)” must be printed, pressed, molded, screen-printed, painted, etched, carved, stamped or sealed on the product(s) or the nameplate(s) of the product(s).

## **Article 12**

For compulsory products that have been certified, the Certification Mark may be applied to the packing of the products.

## **Article 13**

Products produced overseas must apply the certification mark after being certified before they are imported, while products produced domestically must apply certification mark after being certified before they are allowed out of the factory.

## **Chapter IV The Production, Application and Grant of the Certification Mark**

### **Article 14**

The printing of the standard-size certification marks will be specifically undertaken by a printing house(s) designated by CNCA.

### **Article 15**

If the certification mark is printed, pressed, molded, screen-printed, painted, etched, carved, stamped or sealed on the product(s) or on the nameplate(s) of the product(s) as referred to in Article 11 (2) and (4), the applicant must submit the design to a CNCA-designated agency and can only produce the mark with the final approval of CNCA.

### **Article 16**

The application for the use of the Certification Mark

- (1) If the applicant applies in person for the use of certification mark, they need submit to a CNCA-designated agency the application form and copy of the certificate.
- (2) If the applicant applies through another party or parties for the use of the certification mark, the party or parties entrusted need submit to a CNCA-designated agency the trust deed, application form and copy of the certificate.

(3) If the applicant applies through correspondence or any other communication means, they need submit to a CNCA-designated agency the application form and copy of the certificate.

#### **Article 17**

The applicant should pay the cost of the standard-size certification marks printed only by CNCA, or pay the administrative charge if the certification mark is printed, pressed, molded, screen-printed, painted, etched, carved, stamped or sealed on the product(s) or the nameplate(s) of the product(s).

#### **Article 18**

The standard-size certification marks printed only by CNCA will be granted by the CNCA-designated agencies.

### **Chapter V Certification Mark Supervision**

#### **Article 19**

CNCA is the sole authority to supervise and administer the production, grant and use of the certification mark.

Local branches of the State General Administration for Quality Supervision and Inspection and Quarantine of the People's Republic of China (AQSIQ) will be responsible for the supervision and check in the use of the certification mark within their respective administrative jurisdiction.

DCBs will be responsible for the supervision and check in the use of the certification mark relative to their respective certified products.

The entrusted overseas inspection agencies will be responsible for the supervision and check in the use of the certification mark relative to the certified products within their respective entrustment scope.

#### **Article 20**

The DCBs and CNCA-designated agencies are under obligation to inform the applicants of these regulations and guide the applicants in the use of the certification mark as required.

#### **Article 21**

The applicant shall abide by the following requirements.

- (1) To set up a management system in the use of the certification mark, and to keep a true and complete file in the use of the certification mark.
- (2) To ensure that products with the certification marks meet certification criteria.
- (3) No certification marks are permitted for products when the certificate has expired.
- (4) To ensure a correct use of the certification mark in promotional materials, such as any advertising or leaflet of the products, so that the consumers are not misguided or cheated.
- (5) To accept the supervision and check in the use of the certification marks by CNCA, AQSIQ local branches and the DCBs.

#### **Article 22**

Certification, testing or inspection bodies designated by CNCA should ensure

the correct use of the Certification Mark in their business operations and advertisements, and they are not allowed to misguide or cheat consumers by using the Certification Mark.

**Article 23**

The printing house(s) undertaking the printing of the standard-size certification marks with the sole authorization of CNCA shall keep confidential the printing technology and counterfeit-proof technology. Without the authorization of CNCA, such printing house(s) are not permitted to provide any other organization or individual with the standard-size certification marks or the printing equipment.

**Article 24**

Should the certified products fail to meet certification criteria within the validity period of the certification, the DCBs shall request the applicant to take corrective action within a prescribed time period, and no certification mark is allowed for use during this time period.

**Article 25**

Administrative penalties will be imposed for any of the following irregular practices. If violation of Criminal Law is involved, legal action will be taken accordingly.

- (1) Falsification, modification, trading or transfer of the certification marks.
- (2) To seize and hold in possession the certification mark without approval.
- (3) To use the certification mark under another party name. or

(4) Other illegal practices contrary to these regulations.

#### **Article 26**

Penalties will be imposed according to relevant regulations if the DCBs, the CNCA-designated agencies or their staff fail to fulfill their responsibilities or abuse their power.

### **Chapter VI Supplement**

#### **Article 27**

The applicant for the certification mark referred to in these regulations must be a certificate holder.

#### **Article 28**

CNCA will be responsible for the interpretation of these regulations.

#### **Article 29**

These regulations will be implemented on May 1, 2002.