

BREAK THE CYCLE

CERTIFICATION SERVICES FROM SGS CAN MAKE EXPORTING YOUR CONSUMER GOODS TO RUSSIA/CIS FASTER, SIMPLER AND MORE EFFICIENT.

OVERCOMING THE BARRIERS

Russian/CIS Certification Services from SGS, is the fastest and easiest way for your products to gain compliance with product safety standards in Russia, Ukraine, Kazakhstan and other CIS countries. Apart from being a cost-effective, global solution, it also serves as an effective entry-to-market tool and can open up exciting business opportunities in an otherwise hard to reach part of the world.

CROSSING THE RUSSIAN BORDER

Despite close ties with Europe and a large, expanding consumer base, exporting to Russia/CIS can still be difficult. CE marking or international certificates are not recognised by Russian and other CIS authorities for the purpose of conformity assurance.

Only by complying with national standards of product quality and safety, can you eventually get your products into Russian/CIS markets. But, depending on the nature of your goods, products may need to comply with one or more certification requirements and there are up to 18 mandatory systems and over 350 voluntary ones. Furthermore, if that isn't a strong enough deterrent, then lengthy certification processes, unpredictable costs and irregularity with Russian authorities can be. That's why SGS can offer you expertise, local knowledge and a range of services from the heart of the matter, at its Russia/CIS service division.

GOST R FROM SGS - YOUR TICKET TO THE RUSSIAN MARKET

The GOST R Certificate of Conformity is the most commonly used certification system in Russia. It verifies that your products meet the necessary safety standards for customs clearance, sale and consumption in Russia. Since 1993, SGS has been the only global company to be accredited by Gosstandart of Russia (former name for the Federal Agency on the Technical Regulation and Metrology) to provide GOST R certification services. What's more, throughout Europe and Asia SGS operates laboratories, accredited by the Russian authorities, to support our certifications.

So when you see the Gost R mark on the product or its packaging, pay attention to the Certification Body registration number - for SGS these are CH01 and AM01. Only when your customer has seen these letters below the mark, can they be sure that the certification came from the world's leader.



SGS's accreditation scope includes all major consumer product categories, namely:

- Food and beverages
- Perfumery and body care
- Household chemical products
- Textiles and clothing
- Furniture

- Crockery
- Toys
- Electrical and electronical goods
- Packaging.

If your product category is not on this list, please contact SGS for more information.

The GOST R Certificate of Conformity can be issued for single shipment and is valid for one consignment only; or for serial production enabling you to export unlimited times and quantities of goods produced during the certificate validity period.

ONE STOP SHOP

In addition to issuing GOST R Certificates of Conformity we also provide specialised certification so that exporters can obtain the necessary approval to sell their products within Russian territory. The areas covered include:

- Sanitary-Epidemiological Conclusion Certificate (formerly known as Hygienic Certificate) for foodstuff and products in contact with the human body.
- Certificate of State Product Registration for new foodstuff and some other goods presenting a potential danger for human beings.
- Fire Safety Certificate for flammable or fire extinguishing products.
- Telecom Type Approval for telecommunication equipment and devices.



Answering the ever increasing interest of our clients towards CIS countries, such as Kazakhstan, Ukraine, Belarus and elsewhere, which have got their own product certification systems (though similar to the Russian ones), SGS provides concurrent services enabling international players to enter these emerging markets.

To complement our certification services we also provide:

- Advisory services to offer the best certification schedule that reflects your needs and helps you comply with Russian regulations in the most rational way.
- Training seminars to explain the problems you may encounter when trading with Russia and the correct procedures you should follow.

QUICK AND EASY CERTIFICATION

Coming from SGS, the world's leading inspection, verification, testing and certification company, the Russian/CIS certification process is streamlined to maximum effect. We follow the same basic procedures for each client.

DEFINE THE PROJECT SCOPE

You send us your enquiry by e-mail, fax or telephone and we identify the types of certification you will need to do business in Russia or another CIS country, determining the cost, time scale and certification scheme.

VERIFICATION

Each application is subject to evaluation by some, or all of the following means:

- a) Desk audit – verification based on expert assessment of technical documentation.
- b) Physical audit – verification of products, processes or production by audits, surveillance and inspections conducted by certified experts.
- c) Testing – verification of products through samples testing at accredited laboratories.

The verification process will result in preparation of test protocol and/or audit report and/or expert conclusion.

ISSUE OF THE CERTIFICATE

If the verification is successful, the Accredited Certification Body or relevant Authority will issue the respective certificate, licence, permit or approval testifying your product/production conformity with Russian/CIS standards.

AD HOC CONSULTATIONS

Throughout the contract execution and upon issue of the certificate, clients have the opportunity to apply for consultation.

START TODAY

Break the vicious cycle and get your consumer goods to Russia/CIS, safer, faster and easier than before. Our staff are knowledgeable, highly trained and in-touch with your international suppliers, Russian partners and the local authorities. Wherever you are in the world, we are close at hand to answer any of your questions and offer a solution to meet your needs.

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