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Dear Mr. /Mrs./ Ms,

General information on import regulations is given below:

There are Israeli product standards that contain requirements dealing with safety, public health, or the environment that were declared by the Israeli Ministry of Economy as mandatory standards.

Every product (including equipment) and every model which falls within the scope of a mandatory standard has to comply with all the requirements of the standard in order to be marketed or used in Israel.

Approval by The Standards Institution of Israel (SII) of most of the products covered by a mandatory standard is required prior to being imported into Israel. A sample or samples of the product is submitted to SII for conformity assessment to the applicable standard. From then on, a sample from each shipment is tested in accordance with certain clauses of the standard before approving the shipment. For example, the electrical and electronic Israeli safety standards are usually adoptions of international standards (IEC) with some national modifications and additions. One of the additional clauses is compliance with EMC (equivalent to CISPR) requirements.

A manufacturer is entitled to mark his product with the Israeli Standards Mark if:

- a. the product complies with the applicable standard;
- b. the quality assurance of the manufacturer complies with SII Procedure 006 (similar to ISO 9001); and
- c. its production line is under periodic surveillance by SII.

SII is a member of the CB scheme. Therefore, SII accepts CB test reports and test certificates according to the CB scheme rules. Upon receiving these documents, testing to receive SII approval is only performed for requirements related to the Israeli national modifications and additions (including EMC). CB test reports and test certificates are not mandatory in Israel, but can be used to reduce costs and speed up processes. If the item to be tested is accompanied by a suitable CB test report, the item will be checked against the test report and the Israeli modifications and additions (including the EMC requirements).

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Upon arrival of a shipment, the Customs authorities will probably request SII approval. It is recommended that prior to shipment, a sample be provided to SII for the approval procedure, if prototype approval is needed. The sample shall be accompanied by all the necessary technical documentation (instructions for use, warnings, electrical diagrams, etc.).

Foreign Safety marks and CE marks are not recognized by SII.

SII also signed global agreements with leading conformity assessment organizations. You can learn about SII 's agreements from our website: www.sii.org.il.

According to the agreements, the foreign organizations that signed the agreement with SII have to submit the documentation to SII. The documentation shall include test certificates and a full test report for the Product (including pictures) i.e. a description of all the tests performed and the results.

The tests must cover all the requirements of the Israeli Standards. A sample may be required only in special cases.

SII reviews the documentation and issues an approval.

If the organization does not perform all the tests required by the Israeli Standards or by the foreign adopted standards together with the national modifications and additions, SII will perform the missing tests in its laboratories. In these cases, a sample is required.

Telecommunication and radio equipment has to be approved by the Israeli Ministry of Telecommunication.

Here are some of the more common national modifications and additions for electrical/electronic equipment:

- 1. All identification markings shall be printed on a label. The color of this label shall be in contrast with the color of the equipment packaging on which it is placed. The label shall give the name of the manufacturer, the model number, country of origin, the name of the importer and his address. All this information shall be in Hebrew.
- 2. All safety instructions required by the standard shall be in the Hebrew language.
- 3. Instructions for use shall be in the Hebrew language.
- 4. The mains plug shall comply with Israeli standard SI 32.
- 5. The cable must comply with Israeli standard SI 473 and the color Scheme of the wires shall comply with Israeli standard SI 544.