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To : Registered Suppliers and Conformity Assessment Bodies  
Subject : Clarification on types of products classified as Multi-Way Adaptors under the Consumer Protection (Safety Requirements) Regulations

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Dear Registered Suppliers (RSes),

The purpose of this circular is to provide clarification regarding the types of products which are classified as multiway adaptors under the Consumer Protection (Safety Requirements) Regulations (CPSR). Multi-way adaptors are defined under the CPSR as adaptors which are intended for household use, have more than one set of socket contacts, and which may or may not be of the same type or rating as the plug pin portion.



Figure A

2. Conventional multi-way adaptors take the form as shown in Figure A. Multi-way adaptors with this design need to be tested and certified to SS145-3, registered and affixed with the Safety Mark before sale in Singapore.

3. The CPSO has been made aware of newer designs being introduced to the market, including but not limited to the designs shown in Figures B and C.



Figure B



Figure C

4. The CPSO has determined such products, similar to those shown in Figure B and C, fit existing description of multi-way adaptors since they fall within the scope of SS145-3.

5. Moving forward, RSEs are advised to approach the Conformity Assessment Bodies (CABs) to test and certify all multi-way adaptors, including those with non-square design, to the appropriate Standard(s) stipulated in the CPSR information booklet, and to have the product registered with the Safety Mark prior to supplying them in Singapore.

6. With effect from 11 Feb 2024, please note that all multi-way adaptors, regardless of shape/design, will need to bear a valid Safety Mark before they can be sold in Singapore. This 1-year grace period is to provide RSEs with time to send existing product(s) for testing, certification, and affixing with a valid Safety Mark.

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7. RSEs will need to approach the CABs to test and certify their products to the appropriate version of SS 145-3. RSEs are encouraged to start sending their products for testing and certification immediately. Any multi-way adaptors, regardless of design/shape, advertised/retailed without a valid Safety Mark label from 11 Feb 2024 onwards will be treated as an unregistered CG and enforcement action will be taken accordingly.

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The Consumer Product Safety Office

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**Frequently Asked Questions for Circular CPSO – 100223-07**

**Q. Where can I find the relevant standard(s) to test my multi-way adaptor product?**

A. You may refer to our CPSR information booklet at our website ([www.consumerproductsafety.gov.sg/suppliers/cpsr/resources/](http://www.consumerproductsafety.gov.sg/suppliers/cpsr/resources/))

**Q. Where can I find the list of CABs**

A. You may refer to list of Conformity Assessment Bodies at our website ([www.consumerproductsafety.gov.sg/suppliers/cpsr/resources/](http://www.consumerproductsafety.gov.sg/suppliers/cpsr/resources/))

**Q. Can I continue to sell existing stock of multi-way adaptors which have not been registered with the Safety Mark CoC?**

A. Suppliers are encouraged to start sending their products for testing, certification and registration with the CPSO immediately, if they have not done so. CPSO will start active enforcement on 11 Feb 2024 onwards. From then onward, a valid Safety Mark registration is required for all multi-way adaptors advertised/retailed in Singapore