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BRAZIL: COMPULSORY CERTIFICATION FOR INFANT CRADLES

On June 21, Ordinance No. 269 put into force INMETRO requirements for Conformity Assessment of Infant Cradles. Manufacturers and importers have eighteen months from this day to comply with the new rules. From June 21, 2014 on, only certified infant cradles can be sold in Brazil. This means that no cradle can be sold without a conformity declaration against the standard (ABNT NBR 15860).



ABNT NBR 15860 Standard has two parts, one for safety requirements and the other is for test methodology. It is applicable to finished and ready to use products, produced in national market and/or imported, excepted for hospital cradles.

Conformity Assessment can be performed against two different models of Certification:

Certification Model 5: Type test, evaluation and initial approval of the Quality Management System of the manufacturer and monitoring through audits and maintenance tests on random samples taken from trade and manufacturer;

Certification Model 7 (Lot): Visual inspections and tests performed on samples taken from a production batch. According to this model, the authorization to use the Conformity Label Identification is only linked to that specific batch - manufactured or imported. The use of Conformity Label Identification is not allowed for batch assessment.

The certification process carried out by SGS Brazil includes the following steps:

Identification of Models: The supplier will identify and SGS will confirm models of infant cradles to be certified, considering:

- Material;
- Dimensions;
- Locking mechanism;
- Mounting System / Hardware;
- Accessories and product design
- * Colors and stamps characterize different versions of the same model

ANALYSIS OF TECHNICAL DOCUMENTATION

- Initial Audit: Upon review and documentation approval, SGS will schedule assessment of the production process and also sampling and testing.
- Initial Tests: For each type of infant cradles all applicable tests referred to ABNT NBR 15860, Parts 1 and 2 will be performed.
- Sampling* : Samples shall be procured by a laboratory accredited by INMETRO. Note: 3 units (1 for test, 1 for retest and 1 as a witness) are to be procured.
*Accessories or components may be requested by the Company, if necessary.

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- Certificate of Compliance: Upon completion of all requirements, SGS will issue a certificate of compliance for 3 years.
- Product Registration: can be requested after the issue of certificate.
- Certification Maintenance (for model 5): granted after annual audits and sampling tests.

SGS CAN PROVIDE ALL SOLUTIONS TO GRANT YOUR ACCESS TO BRAZILIAN MARKET:

1. Laboratory: we will coordinate the entire process of monitoring the shipment of samples and the TAT (turnaround time) of the tests to optimize your certification process. You can also use your own lab, if properly equipped and is qualified for all test required by NBR 15860 Parts 1 and 2.
2. Product Registration in INMETRO: SGS can assist you to grant, keep and renew the registration of infant cradles in INMETRO, after issuance of the Certificate of Compliance.
3. Free Gap Analysis: we can carry out a gap assessment (without any charges) in your manufacturing process to identify gaps against the requirements.

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