

1. Selling regulated products without the "PS Mark" to consumers in Japan is prohibited

In order to prevent injury or death of consumers from potentially hazardous products, only products that comply with the standards based on the product safety acts are allowed for notifying manufacturers/importers to affix the PS Mark, and the PS Mark must be affixed before sale.

<PS Marks>



... Consumer Product Safety Act



... Electrical Appliances and Materials Safety Act



... Gas Business Act



... Act on the Securing of Safety and the Optimization of Transaction of Liquefied Petroleum Gas

2. Penalties against non-compliant sales are stipulated in the acts

Violation of Acts (e.g. the following cases) shall be punished by **imprisonment for not more than one year or a fine of not more than one million yen, or both.**

- In cases where regulated products are sold or displayed without PS Marks, for the purpose of sale as a business
- In cases where PS marks are affixed without following proper legal procedures or labeling is confusing

3. Cooperation with the recalls conducted by manufacturers and importers is required

- Sellers are obligated to make efforts to cooperate with manufacturers and importers who are conducting recalls and other hazard prevention measures.
- For the purpose of the recalls, which are to protect people from potential hazards, providing customer information to the manufacturers is not considered to be a violation of the Act on the Protection of Personal Information.
- Recall information can be found on the Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry's web page (Only in Japanese).
http://www.meti.go.jp/product_safety/recall/index.html

Contact Point

Product safety division, Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry
(E-mail : metipsd-ihan@meti.go.jp)

If you have any questions, please contact us at the above address before starting sales to consumers in Japan. We may contact you to confirm that the PS marks are labeled correctly if we cannot properly identify them from the Internet.



Examples of the Regulated Products for which PS Marks are Obligatory

METI's Website



Portable Laser Application Devices

(Laser pointer, Laser rangefinder, Infrared radiation thermometer and Laser sighting device)



Riding Helmets

(Half face type (for 125cc or less), Open face type and Full face type)



AC/DC Power Supply Units

(AC/DC power supplies (2 types) and Battery charger)



LP gas cartridge cooking stoves

(Separated type (container and burner are connected by a hose), Built-in type (container is built into the equipment) and Directly connected type (container is directly connected to the burner))



Note1: There are other applicable products in addition to the above examples.

Note2: Including the above, 10 products for PSC, 457 products for PSE, 8 products for PSTG, and 16 products for PSLPG are stipulated in the relevant product safety laws.