

Legal Inspection of Children's Chairs and Stools

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Background:

In response to the concerns raised by the public about the safety of children's chairs and stools due to incidents in recent years that resulted in severe injuries to infants, the Bureau of Standards, Metrology and Inspection (BSMI) decides to regulate the safety and quality of children's chairs and stools for domestic use. The conformity assessment procedure is either Type-Approved Batch Inspection or Registration of Product Certification (Module 2 + Module 3).

Date of implementation: 1 December 2021

Products (HS/CCCN codes) covered and their applicable inspection standards:

Description of Goods	Inspection standards	The conformity assessment procedures	Reference C.C.C. Code (the first 6 digits are the same as HS Code)
Children's chairs and stools with a seat height of less than 38 cm, excluding children's potty and chairs and stools using in public places, without rigid frames, or with restraint systems.	CNS 16045: 2018	Type-Approved Batch Inspection or Registration of Product Certification (Module 2 + Module 3)	9401.61.10.00.1A 9401.61.90.00.4A 9401.69.10.00.3A 9401.69.90.00.6A 9401.71.00.00.1D 9401.79.00.00.3D 9401.80.00.00.0F

Inspection items:

According to characteristics of children's chairs and stools, the chemical material tests and physical performance tests are included.

Conformity assessment procedures:

Type-Approved Batch Inspection (TABI) or Registration of Product Certification (RPC) Scheme [type test (Module 2) + declaration of conformity to type (Module 3)].

- **Type-Approved Batch Inspection (TABI) Scheme**

Further information on this procedure is available on the BSMI website at <https://www.bsmi.gov.tw/wSite/ct?xItem=4447&ctNode=9452&mp=2>

- **Registration of Product Certification (RPC) Scheme**

Under this procedure, manufacturers or importers must have their products type-tested by the BSMI or BSMI-designated testing laboratories [type test (Module 2)] before applying for registration of their products. Manufacturers or importers are also required to ensure by declaration [declaration of conformity to type (Module 3)] that all products made at their manufacturing facilities are in conformity with the prototypes submitted for type testing in Module 2.

Products will be allowed to use the Commodity Inspection Mark with the letter “R” and the identification number given by the BSMI, after they are certified and registered with the BSMI. These products can then clear customs directly without any further inspection. The application fee and the annual fee for RPC are NT\$5,000 and NT\$2,000 respectively for each type of product, and a RPC certificate is valid for three years.

Further information on this procedure is also available on the BSMI website at <https://www.bsmi.gov.tw/wSite/ct?xItem=4470&ctNode=9452&mp=2>

Locations to apply for Type Approval or Registration of Product Certification:

- The BSMI or its branches.