

CONSUMER PRODUCT SAFETY OFFICE



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To : Registered Suppliers ("RS") of portable socket outlets
Subject : Addition or change of internal components constitutes a modification

This circular reminds RS supplying portable socket outlets that the addition of internal components such as varistors following registration constitutes a technical modification and requires re-certification.

Unauthorised modifications detected

2 In recent market surveillances, the Consumer Product Safety Office ("CPSO") detected in-market models of registered portable socket outlets that were modified by way of adding varistors or voltage-dependent resistors ("VDRs") and not re-certified.

3 The RS of such portable socket outlets were directed to cease supply.

Reminder to RS on modification obligations

4 RS must ensure the internal components of their registered CGs remain unmodified when supplied. Where modifications such as component changes or additions have been made to registered CGs, before such CGs can be supplied, RS must promptly approach relevant Conformity Assessment Bodies to determine whether re-certification is required, regardless of the perceived impact on safety or performance.

5 All modifications must be updated in the technical file.

6 For enquiries, contact CPSO at go.gov.sg/contact-cpso. Alternatively, visit the CPSO website at www.consumerproductsafety.gov.sg.

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