

# **Proposal for Amendment to Legal Inspection Requirements of Gas Cylinders and the Fuel thereof for Portable Gas Stoves, Blowtorches and Refillable Lighters**

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## **Background:**

Gas Cylinders and the fuel thereof for portable gas stoves, blowtorches and refillable lighters are subject to mandatory inspection under the certification system of the Bureau of Standards, Metrology and Inspection (BSMI). BSMI intends to adopt the revised version of CNS 14530 “Gas cylinders for portable gas cooker” (announced on 8 April 2014) as the testing and inspection standard.

## **Proposed date of implementation:**

1 July 2017

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

Description of Goods	Inspection Standards	C.C.C. Code (the first 6 digits being the same as HS Code) (for Reference)	Conformity Assessment Procedures
Gas cylinders and the fuel thereof for portable gas stoves, blowtorches and refillable lighters	1. Gas cylinders and the fuel thereof for portable gas stoves: CNS 14530 (promulgated on 8 April 2014) 2. Gas cylinders and the fuel thereof for blowtorches and refillable lighters: Paragraphs 9.2.2, 9.2.3, 9.6, 9.9 and 9.10 in the CNS14530 (promulgated on 8 April 2014), and markings in accordance with Paragraph 9 in the CNS 12951 (promulgated on 29 July 2003)	2711.13.00.00.1B 2711.19.10.00.3B 2901.10.20.00.0B	TABI Scheme

## **The conformity assessment procedures for the inspection scheme are as follows:**

### **Procedures for Type Approved Batch Inspection (TABI)**

Under this procedure, manufacturers or importers shall have their products type-tested by the BSMI, and file an application for Type Approval to the BSMI or its branches.

After manufacturers or importers have obtained type approval certificates, they are still required to file an application for batch inspection to the BSMI each time before their products arrive at the port of entry. The BSMI will then perform inspection with simplified procedures. Additional samples may be required for further testing as it is deemed necessary. The application fee for a Type Approval is NT\$3,500, and a Type Approval Certificate is valid for 3 years.

The fees for type-testing vary by products and depend on the fee schedule of the testing laboratory.

\*Further information about the scheme is also available on the BSMI web site at

<http://www.bsmi.gov.tw/wSite/ct?xItem=8673&ctNode=811&mp=2>

## **Locations to apply for Type Testing:**

The BSMI

## **Related requirements for the inspection procedures:**

1. The revised inspection standard CNS 14530 (promulgated on 8 April 2014) of gas cylinders and the fuel thereof for portable gas stoves, blowtorches and refillable lighters will come into force from the date of announcement. The current inspection standard will be valid till 30 June 2017.
2. Type Approval Certificates:
  - (1) New application:

For applicants apply for a new certificate(s) before 30 June 2017 in accordance with the old version of inspection standard CNS 14530 (promulgated on 6 March 2001), the certificate will expire on 30 June 2017.

From the date of publication, applicants shall prepare type-test reports and technical documents in compliance with the revised inspection standards to apply for certificate(s). The validity period of the certificate will be 3 years from the date of issuance.
  - (2) Replacement or extension:

Certificate holders may apply for extension of the certificate before 30 June 2017 in accordance with the old version of inspection standard, and the extended certificate will expire on 30 June 2017.

Before 30 June 2017, the certificate holders shall prepare type-test reports and technical documents in compliance with the revised inspection standards to apply for a replacement of the certificate(s) from the BSMI or its branches. Otherwise, certificate(s) will be rescinded. After replacement of certificate(s), the expiry date of the replaced certificate(s) will remain the same as the original certificate.
3. This new public announcement of updated inspection standards supersedes the previous ones and won't be revised or amended until further notice decided and announced by the BSMI.
4. The C.C.C. Codes listed in the table are used for reference only. The commodities whose product name listed in the table but not belong to the C.C.C. Codes for reference after being recognized by the Customs Administration, Ministry of Finance, or Bureau of Foreign Trade, Ministry of Economic Affairs shall still complete the inspection procedures before entering into the market.