

From the Ministry of Science, Industry and Technology:

**COMMUNIQUE ON  
TS 7374 LEAD ACID BATTERIES USED FOR MILITARY PURPOSE -  
MAINTENANCE FREE, SEALED LEAD-ACID BATTERIES - GENERAL  
REQUIREMENTS AND METHODS OF TEST  
(COMMUNIQUE NO: MSG - MS - 2017/ )**

**Purpose**

**ARTICLE 1 -** (1) The purpose of this Communiqué is to identify issues related to the implementation of modification of TS 7374 (May 2016) standard.

**Scope of the standard**

**ARTICLE 2 -** (1) This standard covers the lead-acid batteries whose rated voltage and nominal capacity given in Annex A from sealed for military uses, maintenance-free, electrolytic gel type, off chargeable accumulator.

(2) This standard, off, chargeable, maintenance-free lead-acid batteries are related to description, classification and specifications, sampling, inspection and testing, and based on market supply.

(3) **Not** – In the subsequent substances of this standards instead of “the lead-acid batteries -for military uses, maintenance-free, off chargeable accumulator.” The term “Accumulator” will be used.

**Legal Basis**

**ARTICLE 3 -** (1) This Communiqué has been drawn up based on the Decree Law No. 635 on Organisation and Duties of the Ministry of Science, Industry and Technology dated 3/6/2011; Law No. 1705 on the Prevention of Adulteration in Trade and Supervision and Protection of Exports dated 10/6/1930; Law No. 132 establishing Turkish Standards Institution dated 18/11/1960 and Regulation on Mutual Recognition in Non-regulated Areas that was published in the Official Gazette No. 28332 dated 23/6/2012 and put into force with the Decision No. 2012/3169 of the Council of Ministers dated 2/5/2012.

**Putting into Effect**

**ARTICLE 4 -** (1) “TS 7374 (August 1989) Lead Acid Batteries (Used For Military Purpose) – Maintenance-Free, Sealed Lead-Acid Batteries” is canceled. Instead “TS 7374 (May 2016) Lead-Acid Batteries Used For Military Purposes – Maintenance-Free, Sealed Lead-Acid Batteries – General Requirements and Methods of Test” was adopted and decided to be published in the meeting of Technical Board of Turkish Standards Institution (TSE) dated 27/08/2016 has been put into effect as mandatory in manufacturing and sales stages.

### **Compliance Obligation**

**ARTICLE 5 -** (1) Those who produce and sell products within the scope of TS 7374 (May 2016) Standard shall be obliged to comply with the provisions of this Communiqué.

### **Mutual Recognition Clause**

**ARTICLE 6 -** (1) The provisions of this Communiqué on TS 7374 (May 2016) shall not apply to the products which were legally produced or put into free circulation in a Member State of the European Union.

(2) Nonetheless, the Ministry of Science, Industry and Technology may submit the product referred to in paragraph (1) to an evaluation following the rules and procedures laid down in Chapter Three of Regulation on Mutual Recognition in Non-Harmonised Area and as a result of this evaluation if it finds out that this product does not provide a level of protection equivalent to that sought by this Communiqué on TS 7374 (May 2016) it may prohibit placing on the market of the product, make its placing on the market subject to prior conditions or have the product withdrawn or recalled from the market.

### **Provision**

**ARTICLE 7 -** (1) TS 7374 (May 2016) Standard shall be obtained from the central organization or provincial representative offices of TSE. Contact information can be accessed from the website of the TSE.

### **Repeal**

**ARTICLE 8 -** (1) TS 7374 Compulsory Standard Communiqué (Communiqué No: 89/119-120) that was published in the Official Gazette No: 20414 and dated 26/1/1990 has been repealed.

### **Entry into Force**

**ARTICLE 9 -** (1) This Communiqué shall enter into force three months after its publication.

### **Enforcement**

**ARTICLE 10 -** (1) The provisions of this Communiqué shall be enforced by the Minister of Science, Industry and Technology.