

# Revision of Operational Rule of the Ministerial Ordinance on specified products stipulated by the Consumer Product Safety Act.

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## 1. Background

Under the Consumer Product Safety Act, some consumer products are specified as “specified products\*” in order to prevent any danger to the lives or bodies of general consumers. Each product is required to conform to the technical requirements established by a Ministerial Order on Technical Requirements for Specified Products Related to the Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry. (hereinafter the Ministerial Ordinance)

In addition, interpretation concerning the technical standards on the specified consumer products is prescribed as an Operational Rule of the Ministerial Ordinance.

The technical requirements of these specified consumer products need to be continuously reviewed at any time from points of view of taking account of the result of analysis of the situation and causes of the product accidents, the changes of the product structure with the technical progress and alignment with the international standard established or revised.

Regarding labelling of “Autoclaves and Pressure cookers for household use” and “Lighters”, the Operational Rule of the Ministerial Ordinance will be revised from the perspective to prevent the occurrence and increase of safety hazards.

\* Autoclaves and pressure cookers for household use; Riding helmets (limited to those for riding a two-wheeled motor vehicle or motorized bicycle); Baby beds; Climbing ropes; Portable laser application devices; Hot water circulators for baths; Oil water heaters; Oil bath boilers; and Oil heaters; lighters

## 2. Summary of the revision

### (1) Autoclaves and Pressure cookers for household use

To add the following precautions for use on the product body or instruction manual.

- ① Take care not to get burnt by using oven mitts or the like.
- ② How to clean the pressure-adjusting device and the safety device.
- ③ For products with the handles on the lid, do not use the handles or the lid when moving it.

### (2) Lighters

The name of the Notifying Enterprise and the name of the Domestically Registered Conformity Inspection Body or the Overseas Registered Conformity Inspection and precautions for use should be displayed with a label on the product body itself.

## 3. Date of enforcement

Proposed date of adoption:                      around July 2018