



# Saudi Product Safety Program (SALEEM) Scheme for Saudi Arabia

## Gain a smooth access to the Saudi Market

To build consumer confidence in products sold in the market and to guarantee the fair trade between the buyer and the seller, the Saudi Standards, Metrology and Quality Organization SASO has implemented the Saudi Product Safety Program called SALEEM. A web-based application "SABER" is employed for the application and certification process.

Under this program, SASO has issued Technical Regulations (TRs) for Regulated Products based on their nature, application, safety and performance aspects, which include risks to consumers and the environment.

Accordingly, products are classified as Low, Medium or High Risk Products. Besides technical requirements and applicable standards, the TRs stipulate Conformity Assessment Procedures per risk classification.

TÜV Rheinland is a certification body accredited for the Saudi SALEEM Scheme and authorized to issue the required Product and Shipment 'Certificates of Conformity' (CoC) or 'Saudi Quality Mark' (SQM). With our support, you can ensure your products conform to the SASO regulations and be assured of a smooth customs clearance process.

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# About the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia

Information taken from <https://data.un.org/>



**Capital:**  
Riyadh



**Population:**  
35,34 million  
(as of 2020)



**GDP:**  
792,967 billion USD  
(as of 2019)



**Import Value:**  
131,354 billion USD  
(as of 2020, est.)

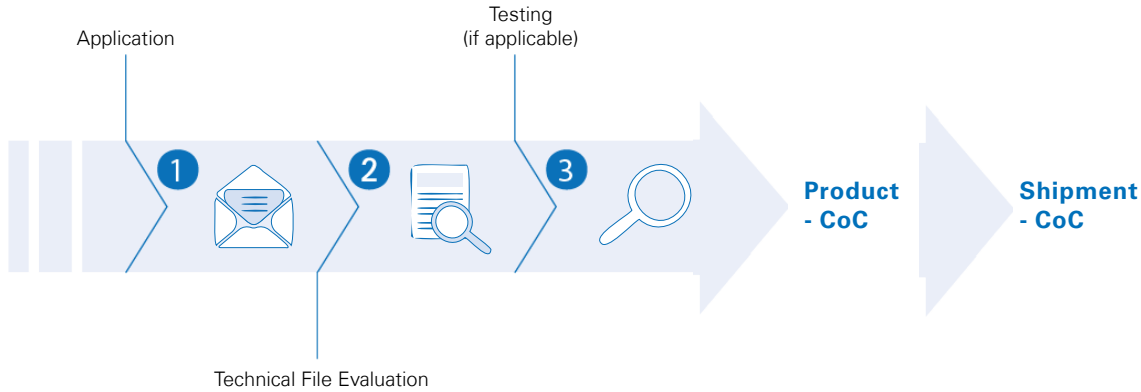


**REGULATED PRODUCT CATEGORIES UNDER THE SALEEM SCHEME FOR SAUDI ARABIA:**

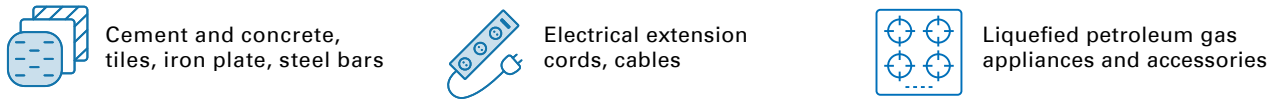
- Medium Risk Products (Types 1a and 3 / product and shipment - CoC), example:



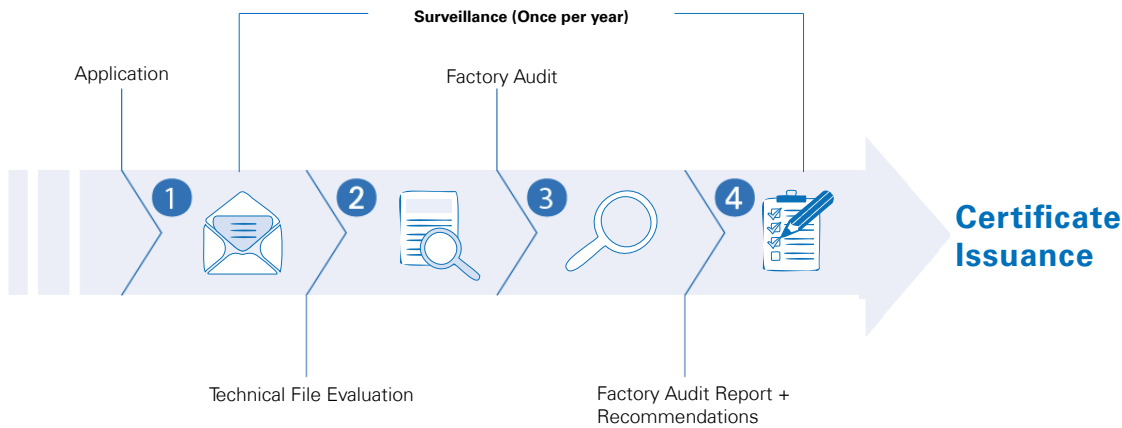
**PROCESS OF PRE-EXPORT VERIFICATION OF CONFORMITY (PVOC) FOR MEDIUM RISK PRODUCTS**



- High Risk Products (Type 5 / Saudi Quality Mark), example:



**PROCESS OF PRE-EXPORT VERIFICATION OF CONFORMITY (PVOC) FOR HIGH RISK PRODUCTS**



Under the Saudi Saleem Scheme, products to be imported shall undergo conformity assessment in the country of Export and Product - and Shipment 'Certificates of Conformity' (CoC) or 'Saudi Quality Mark' (SQM) are issued demonstrating that the products meet the applicable standards and regulations.

**In order to initiate the process, the following documents are submitted by the applicant:**

- Product HS Code
- Trademark
- Product Name and Model / Type Number
- Manufacturer name and Country of Origin



### SASO IEC RECOGNITION CERTIFICATE (SIRC)

For a wide range of electrical products, current CB test reports and CB certificates as issued by global IECEE approved labs and certification bodies respectively must receive formal recognition by SASO. The related SIRC scheme has been implemented in 2018, with mobile phones, - chargers and – accessories as the first products in scope. Consecutively, further product categories like TV Sets, Dishwashers, lighting products or photovoltaic (PV) system have been included in the SIRC-scheme over the recent years. Coffee makers and water kettles, for instance, were added to the scope in September 2021. ‘SASO IEC Recognition Certificates’ are valid for one year (or three years based on applicant choice).

TÜV Rheinland operates IECEE accredited ‘National Certification Bodies’ (NCBs) and ‘Certification Body Testing Laboratories’ (CBTLs) around the world. For most SIRC-regulated products, we may issue CB test report and CB certificate. Due to our strong local presence in Saudi Arabia, we are furthermore able to handle your SIRC application smoothly.

### NATIONAL DEVIATIONS



**Plug Type**  
Type G



**Voltage**  
230V



**Frequency**  
60Hz



**Language**  
Labels/Markings/User  
Manuals: At least Arabic

### SASO ENERGY EFFICIENCY FOR HOUSEHOLD APPLIANCES

SASO has implemented an energy efficiency label and minimum energy performance standards for appliances with a comparably high energy consumption. Efficiency labels provide consumers with a means to compare products according to their efficiency in energy consumption. Typical products (specific kinds of) in scope of energy efficiency regulations are:



Large and household  
air-conditioners



Household refrigerators,  
refrigerator-freezers &  
freezers



Household washing  
machines, dishwashers  
and dryers



Integrated  
Luminaires, control  
gears and lamps

Manufacturers or retailers of related products must comply with product-specific SASO-standards and undergo the registration procedure. Energy Efficiency registration is valid for one year and a prerequisite for the clearance of related goods at Saudi borders. TÜV Rheinland may handle the application process and provide the Energy Efficiency label, which is mandatorily be affixed on products.

### SASO TECHNICAL REGULATION FOR WATER RATIONALIZATION TOOLS

SASO has launched a ‘Technical Regulation for Water Rationalization Tools’, covering ‘Sanitary products and tools that control the flow (rinse) of water and direct it’. Products in scope of the regulation:



Faucet (Taps): Water mixers  
(public/private/kitchen), shower  
heads, hand spray / Flusher tap

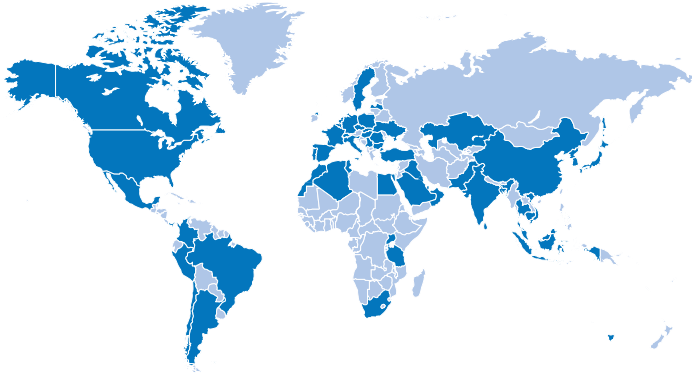


Toilets: Western style, Western  
toilet and Eastern water tanks,  
toilets with dual / single flush  
system



Urinal flush system, flush  
boxes, water flush regulators

SASO grants the ‘Certificate of water rationalization’ for products that fulfill the conformity assessment procedures by compliance with the technical regulation and relevant standards. Upon receipt of the ‘Certificate of water rationalization’, the Water Efficiency Label (WEL) may be applied for at SASO. TÜV Rheinland may handle the application process and provide the ‘Water Efficiency Label’.



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## About TÜV Rheinland



For more than 150 years of quality and safety, TÜV Rheinland's mission has been to make

technology safe for people and the environment. From the steam engine to digitalization, what started as a regional association for the monitoring of steam boilers has evolved into a global testing service provider.

Today, TÜV Rheinland ensures safety and quality in almost all areas of business and life. This shared commitment unites more than 20,000 employees. TÜV Rheinland's experts test technical systems and products around the globe, support innovations in technology and business, train people in numerous professions, and certify management systems according to international standards. By ensuring safety and sustainability, TÜV Rheinland is also shaping the future. Since 2006, TÜV Rheinland has therefore been a member of the United Nations Global Compact for more sustainability and against corruption.

## About TÜV Rheinland Government Inspections and International Trade Services

TÜV Rheinland is a trusted Conformity Assessment Body (CAB) for many governments and authorities around the world, assuring that goods fulfill national and international standards. TÜV Rheinland has over 150 years of expertise and a global network of professionals and laboratories. As a conformity assessment organization, our goal is to help businesses, exporters, importers, and manufacturers gain speedy access to the country of destination and a seamless customs clearance process.

International trade is a mainstay for most companies in today's economy. This involves in many occasions long distance agreements. Those may raise possible

**238** group-network laboratories all over the world work on our clients' behalf to inspect the safety, quality, functionality and ergonomics of products from a very wide range of sectors.

The testing of products, for example: 80 percent of the business is done outside Germany because the tests logically take place where products are manufactured. Worldwide, TÜV Rheinland has roughly 780 of what are known as accreditations—an official recognition permitting the performance of tests—from national authorities.

**1872** was the birth year for the "Verein zur Überwachung der Dampfkessel in den Kreisen Elberfeld und Barmen" ("Association for Monitoring Steam Boilers in the Districts of Elberfeld and Barmen") from which TÜV Rheinland would later emerge.



uncertainties when business agreements are being concluded. Therefore, traders (buyers, sellers, manufacturers) often demand for a third party inspection in terms of quantity, quality, condition or price to mitigate possible risks or non-fulfillment of contractual agreements.

Our Customized Commercial Inspections services can be conducted in connection with a Letter of Credit (LOC) or be based on industry / bespoke requirements to bring about the certainty, a buyer or seller may need.

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