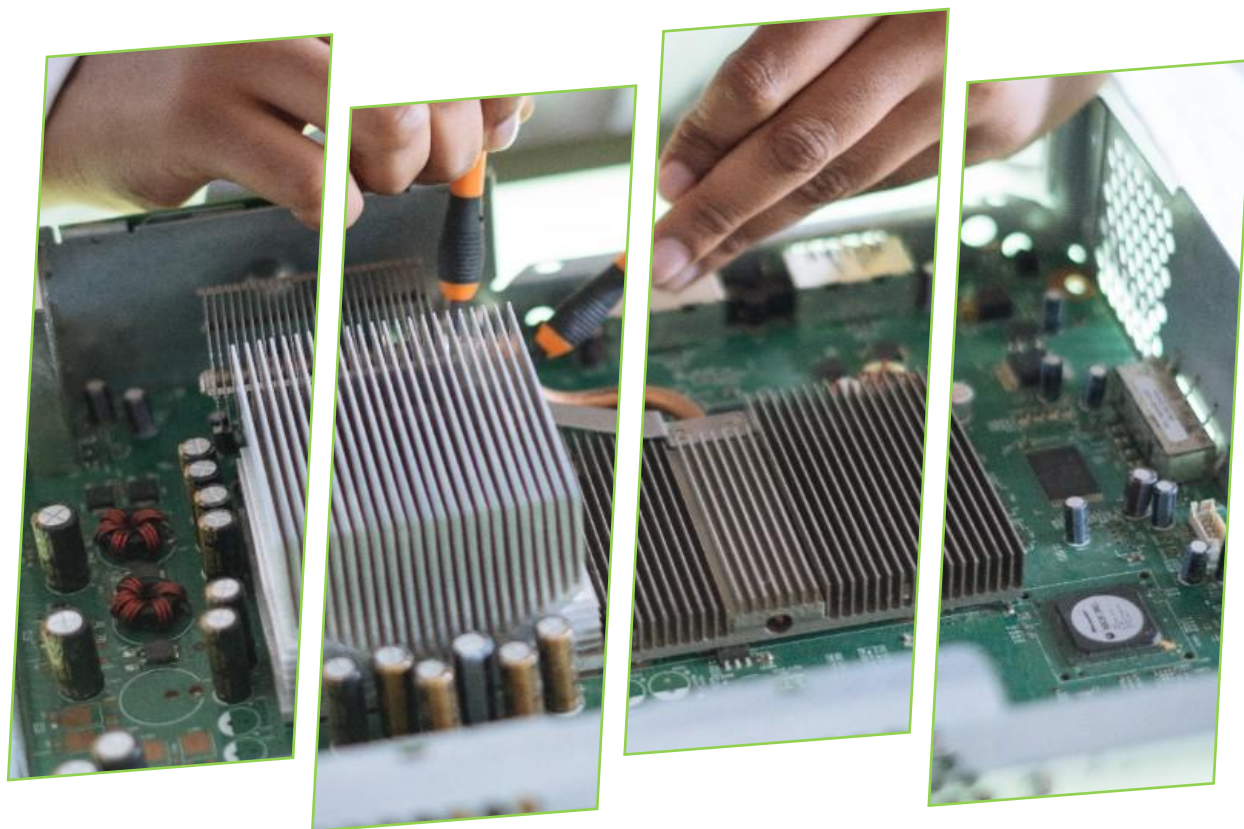




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CIRCULAR

**TEMPORARY REGULATIONS ON PERMISSIBLE CONTENT LIMITS OF CERTAIN
HAZARDOUS CHEMICALS IN ELECTRICAL AND ELECTRONIC PRODUCTS**

Pursuant to Decree No.189/2007/ND-CP dated December 27, 2007 of the Government on functions, tasks, powers and organizational structure of the Ministry of Industry and Trade; Decree No.44/2011/ND-CP dated June 14, 2011 of the Government amending, supplementing Article 3 of Decree No.189/2007/ND-CP;

Pursuant to the Law on Chemicals dated November 21, 2007;

Minister of Industry and Trade stipulates temporarily the permissible content limits of some toxic chemicals in the electronic, electrical products as follows:

Article 1. Scope of regulation

1. This Circular temporarily stipulates on permissible content limits of some hazardous chemicals in the electronic, electrical products circulated on the market of Vietnam.
2. The following goods do not fall within the scope of this Circular:
 - a) The electrical, electronic components; batteries;
 - b) Spare parts for repair, reuse, or upgrading of electrical, electronic products;
 - c) The electrical, electronic products which are gifts, souvenirs, goods for exhibitions and product introduction; baggage, movable assets of organizations, individuals; and goods temporarily imported for re-export, goods in transit;
 - d) The electrical, electronic products circulated on the market of Vietnam prior to the effective date of this Circular.

Article 2. Subjects of application

This Circular applies to organizations and individuals manufacturing, trading, importing electronic, electrical products.

Article 3. Interpretation of terms

In this Circular, the terms below are construed as follows:

1. Permissible content limits of some hazardous substances in the electrical, electronic products is the maximum volume percentage of these substances permitted to be in the homogeneous materials constituting electrical, electronic products.

2. The homogeneous material is a material unable to be separated into other material by mechanical methods.

Article 4. Electrical, electronic products must be ensured the permissible content limits

Electrical, electronic products circulated on the market of Vietnam must be ensured the permissible content limits of some hazardous chemicals specified in Annex 2 attached to this Circular, including the following product groups:

1. Big household appliances.
2. Small household appliances.
3. Information technology and communications equipment.
4. Consumption devices.
5. Lighting Equipment.
6. Electrical, electronic tools (except for the big, fixed tools for industrial use).
7. Toys, equipment of leisure, and sports.
8. Automatic measuring instruments.

Article 5. Hazardous chemicals limited in the electronic, electrical products

1. Hazardous chemicals limited in the electrical, electronic products include the chemicals: Lead (Pb), Cadmium (Cd), mercury (Hg), Chromium valence 6 (Cr6 +), polybrominated biphenyl (PBB) and polybrominated diphenyl ethers (PBDE).

2. Content of hazardous chemicals in the electrical, electronic products circulated on the market of Vietnam are not exceeded the permissible limitation specified in the Annex 1, except for the cases specified in Annex 3 enclosed hereof.

3. An electrical, electronic product is considered to comply with content limitation of hazardous chemicals if all homogeneous materials constituting such product comply with the content limitation of hazardous chemicals.

4. When having no respective Vietnam Regulation, to assess the content of hazardous substances in the electrical, electronic product, temporarily apply the existing standard IEC 62321: Electric technical Products - Determination of the threshold of six chemicals regulated (the English name is Electrotechnical products - Determination of levels of six regulated substances).

Article 6. Responsibilities of the organizations, individuals manufacturing, importing electronic, electrical products

1. Ensuring electrical, electronic products manufactured or imported to have content of hazardous substances not exceeding the limitation specified in Annex 1 of this Circular.
2. Organizations and individuals manufacturing or importing electrical, electronic products disclose information generally in the direction of: electrical, electronic products manufactured, imported by organizations or individuals complied with the provisions of this Circular on permissible content limits of the toxic substances. The disclosure of information is made by one of the following forms: