



Enforcement Rule of the Cosmetics Act (Ordinance of the Prime Minister No. 1775, Dec. 28, 2021)

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ENFORCEMENT RULE OF THE COSMETICS ACT

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Ministry of Food and Drug Safety

Article 1 (Purpose)

The purpose of these Rules is to prescribe matters delegated by the Cosmetics Act and its Decree, and other matters necessary for the enforcement thereof.

Article 2 (Scope of Functional Cosmetics)

“Cosmetics determined by Ordinance of the Prime Minister” in subparagraph 2 of Article 2 of the Cosmetics Act (hereinafter referred to as "the Act"), other than its items, means the following: <Amended by Ordinance of the Prime Minister No. 1010, Mar. 23, 2013; Ordinance of the Prime Minister No. 1357, Jan. 12, 2017; Ordinance of the Prime Minister No. 1636, Aug. 5, 2020>

1. Cosmetics which have efficacy helpful in skin-whitening by curbing the formation of marks, freckles, etc. through prevention of skin pigmentation of melanin;
2. Cosmetics which have efficacy helpful in skin-whitening by fading melanin pigmentation in skin;
3. Cosmetics which have efficacy in smoothing or improving skin wrinkles by firming skin;
4. Cosmetics which have efficacy in tanning skin gently by screening strong sun light;
5. Cosmetics which have efficacy in protecting skin from ultraviolet rays by intercepting or scattering them;
6. Cosmetics with the function of changing (including the function of bleaching or removing) the color of hair: excluding: however, the products which temporarily change the color of hair;
7. Cosmetics with the function of removing body hair: excluding, however, products which remove body hair in a physical manner;

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8. Cosmetics which help alleviate alopecia: excluding, however, products which make hair look thick in a physical manner such as coating;
9. Cosmetics which help alleviate acneiform skin conditions: limited, however, to kinds of products for cleaning human body;
10. Cosmetics which help restore the skin barrier (referred to as the topmost layer of the stratum corneum which is the outermost part of skin) function to relieve the skin itching;
11. Cosmetics which help thinning red lines caused by striae distensa.

Article 2-2 (Exceptions of Custom Cosmetics) The “cosmetics prescribed by the Ordinance of the Prime Minister, such as solid soap, etc.” refer to the cosmetic soap (solid soap for washing face) under subparagraph 1 (c) 3) of the Attached Table 3.

[Newly inserted by Ordinance of the Prime Minister No. 1627, Jun. 30, 2020]

Article 3 (Registration, etc. of Manufacturing Business) (1) Deleted <Amended by Ordinance of the Prime Minister No. 1529, Mar. 14, 2019>

(2) A person who intends to register the cosmetic manufacturing business as prescribed in the former part of Article 3 (1) shall submit an application (including an application in the form of an electronic document) for cosmetic manufacturing business in Appendix 1 to the head of a local food and drug safety office having jurisdiction over the location of the manufacturing factory, together with the following documents (including electronic documents): [Amended by Ordinance of the Prime Minister No. 1529, Mar. 14, 2019](#)>

1. A diagnostic certificate of a specialized medical doctor, which evidences that the person who intends to register the cosmetic manufacturing business (referring to the representative in cases of a corporation; hereafter the same shall apply in this paragraph) does not falls under the main sentence of subparagraph 1 of Article 3-1 of the Act, or a diagnostic certificate of a medical doctor, which evidences that the person falls under the proviso of subparagraph 1 of Article 3-3 of the Act;



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