

CERTIFICATION MARK IN TANZANIA

In Tanzania, the certifying authority of certification mark is the National Bureau of Standards (TBS). The Bureau establishes a register for National Standards, standard marks, certification system and licenses into which all matters relating to standards shall be entered.

One may ask why National Bureau of Standards? The reason is certification marks are usually given for compliance with defined standards. The Bureau is the authority mandated to recommend any mark of any commodity or the manufacturing, production, processing or treatment of any commodity, to be a standards mark in respect of it and may, in like manner, cancel or amend that mark.

Certification mark may be used by anyone who can certify that the products involved meet certain established standards. It does not belong to certain group of membership.

In order for a person to obtain certification mark must apply to a competent authority (TBS). The application should be channeled to the Director General and the application must be accompanied with the prescribed fee.

In every application there must be attached a statement explaining in details the scheme of inspection and testing which the applicant maintains in order to secure the appropriate quality of the articles of process in respect of licence sought.

Once the applicant comply with all requirement and direction from the Director General, the applicant shall be issued with quality mark licence or tested products mark certificate which can be used with the proprietor trademark. The company may wish to use the label in its products. Once used, the label used as a certification mark will be an evidence that the company's products meet the specific standards required for the use of the certification mark.

For more information about certification mark and other matter relating with in Tanzania, please do not hesitate to contact us.