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Designated Company Representatives, Regulated Goods Suppliers under the Energy Conservation Act (ECA), End-user/Company of Regulated Goods

Dear Sir/Mdm

MINIMUM ENERGY PERFORMANCE STANDARDS (MEPS) AND MANDATORY ENERGY LABELLING SCHEME (MELS) FOR REGULATED GOODS IMPORTED FOR OWN USE AND REQUIREMENTS ON ADVERTISEMENT OF REGULATED GOODS

As a follow up to the circular NEA-LSD-CIRCULAR-ECA-00002-2026 (dated 24 April 2026), this circular provides further information on the requirements related to:

- i) Regulated goods imported for own use; and
- ii) Advertisement requirement of regulated goods.

Regulated Goods Imported for Own Use

2 From 1 July 2026, MEPS and MELS will also apply to regulated goods imported directly by end-users (either by companies or individuals) for their own use. These regulated goods (as listed in **Annex A**) must conform with Regulation 3A of the Energy Conservation (Regulated Goods and Registered Suppliers) Regulations. Specifically, the regulated goods must:

- be registered with National Environment Agency (NEA),
- meet MEPS, and
- carry Energy Labels (where required) under MELS.

3 Companies or individuals who wish to import regulated goods can refer to **Annex A** for the registration details. This information will also be made available on the NEA website.

4 Companies or individuals who import regulated goods for own use that do not comply with Regulation 3A may be fined up to **\$10,000**.

Advertisement requirement of Regulated Goods

5 From 1 July 2026, advertisement of regulated goods on physical and online publications, as well as listings on electronic marketplaces such as online platforms shall comply with Part 2A of the Energy Conservation (Regulated Goods and Registered Suppliers) Regulations.

Requirements for Advertisers

6 If you advertise regulated goods, you must ensure that:

- I. **The regulated goods meet regulatory requirements.** You must not advertise any regulated goods unless they conform with the applicable requirements under the regulations.

II. Energy labels are displayed for regulated goods in visual Advertisements.

Advertisements of regulated goods in visual format (such as printed materials, websites, online marketplace), must display the image of a legible Energy Label next to the image or description of the regulated goods. If it is not practical to display the Energy Label (e.g. due to space constraint on printed advertisement), the tick rating and registration number of the Certificate of Registration (COR) for the regulated goods must be prominently stated.

Examples of compliant and non-compliant advertisements with visual elements are shown in **Annex B**.

Requirements for Operators of Electronic Marketplaces

7 An electronic marketplace is any electronic platform that allows suppliers to make goods available to customers online. Electronic marketplace operators must not permit the publishing of **non-compliant advertisements of regulated goods** on their platforms. The operators must take all reasonable steps to take down any non-compliant advertisements/listings or disable access to the non-compliant advertisements/listing of these regulated goods by persons in Singapore.

Enforcement on advertisements of Regulated Goods

8 NEA may order any person or marketplace operator who has published or permitted the publication of a non-compliant advertisement to alter, withdraw, remove, or discontinue it. Failure to comply with such an order is an offence.

Persons who fail to comply may face penalties as follows:

- Advertisers who breach the advertising requirements may be fined up to **\$10,000**.
- Electronic marketplace operators who permit non-compliant advertisements on their platform may be fined up to **\$10,000**.
- Electronic marketplace operators who fail to act upon discovering a non-compliant advertisement, or who fail to comply with a Director-General's order, may be fined up to **\$10,000**.

9 If you have any queries concerning this circular or need further clarification, please contact us at Tel: 6731-9952 or email: nea_energylabel@nea.gov.sg. Thank you.

Yours faithfully
(Transmitted via email)



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Details of requirements - MEPS and MELS for Regulated Goods imported by end user for own use

Scope of MEPS and MELS for Regulated Goods imported by an end user for own use

- 1 The following regulated goods must conform with MEPS and MELS requirements.
 1. Air-conditioners: Household air-conditioner, Portable air-conditioner and Three-phase Variable Refrigerant Flow (VRF) air-conditioner
 2. Refrigerators: Household refrigerators and Commercial storage refrigerators
 3. Clothes dryers
 4. Televisions
 5. Household water heaters
 6. Three-phase induction motors

Please refer to <https://www.nea.gov.sg/our-services/climate-change-energy-efficiency/energy-efficiency/household-sector/regulated-goods> for details on the scope of regulatory coverage of each of the regulated goods.

Meet MEPS and MELS requirements for Regulated Goods imported by an end user for own use

- 2 Regulated goods imported by an end user for own use will be required to comply with the current MEPS and MELS requirements for the supply of regulated goods.

Please refer to <https://www.nea.gov.sg/our-services/climate-change-energy-efficiency/energy-efficiency/household-sector/minimum-energy-performance-standards> for details of MEPS requirement for respective regulated goods.

- 3 Regulated goods must minimally meet the prescribed MEPS requirements before they are imported into Singapore by end users.
- 4 Regulated goods that meet MEPS will be assigned tick ratings and an Energy Label (where required) upon approval of the registration. For details of tick ratings and the Energy Labels for respective regulated goods, please refer to <https://www.nea.gov.sg/our-services/climate-change-energy-efficiency/energy-efficiency/household-sector/tick-rating> and <https://www.nea.gov.sg/our-services/climate-change-energy-efficiency/energy-efficiency/household-sector/the-energy-label>

Register Regulated Goods with NEA

- 5 End users intending to import regulated goods for own use must register at the [Energy Labelling Scheme \(ELS\) Portal](#). There are no registration and/or renewal fees for registering with NEA.

The following documents are required for registration on the ELS Portal.

- CorpPass (For companies importing regulated goods for own use)
 - SingPass (For individuals importing regulated goods for own use)
 - Test report (Please refer to Paragraph 7) for model to be registered
 - Any other documents (eg. In-principal approval from SCDF for usage of flammable refrigerant in equipment)
- 6 A Certificate of Registration (COR) will be issued upon the approval of the registration and is valid for 3 years. End users who wish to extend the validity of the registered model (i.e. intention to import the

same registered model after its 3 years validity) will be required to renew the COR at least 2 weeks, but not earlier than 90 days, before it expires.

Test Reports and Prescribed Test Standards

7 Test report tested in accordance with the prescribed test standards is mandatory. End user may rely on test reports from suppliers and manufacturers when registering their model of regulated goods with NEA.

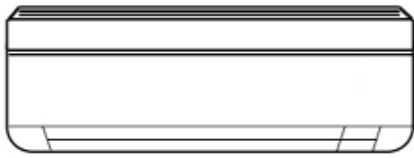
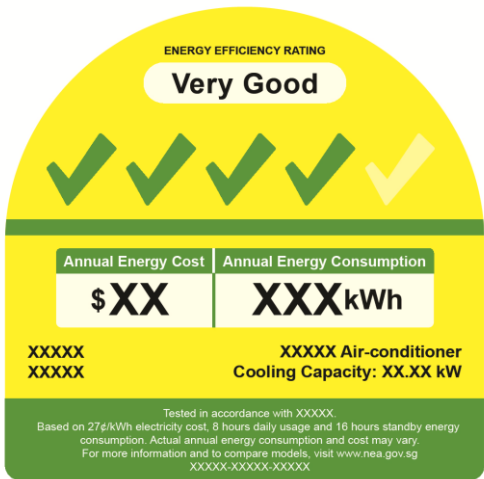
For more details on the registration process, please refer to <https://www.nea.gov.sg/our-services/climate-change-energy-efficiency/energy-efficiency/household-sector/registration-and-renewal-of-regulated-goods>.

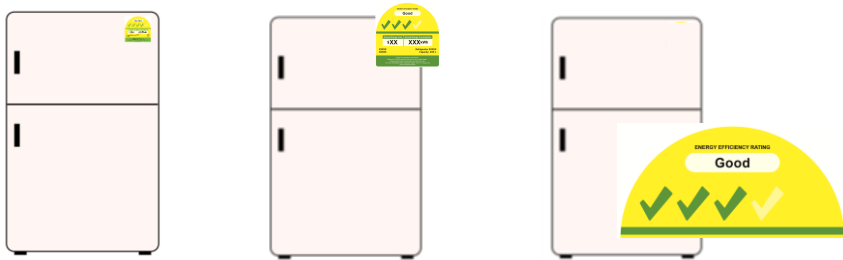
Energy Label Display guidelines

2 Under Part 2A Advertisements of Regulated Goods of the Energy Conservation (Regulated Goods and Registered Suppliers) Regulations, any forms of advertisement (including listing on electronic marketplace) that has visual element of the regulated goods are to display a clear and legible Energy Label next to the image or description of the regulated goods.

3 For non-print advertisement such as websites or listings on online marketplace where display space may be less of a limitation, the Energy Label shall be as far as practicable, displayed next to the image. If space is insufficient for the Energy Label to be displayed legibly, the label may be displayed as a separate image (e.g. swipe over, or pop-up image) accompanying the advertisement of the specified regulated goods.

Examples of displaying Energy Label

Acceptable way to display Energy Label	
To display Energy Label next to the image or description of the regulated goods. Information on the Energy Label should be <u>clear and legible</u> .	
	
<u>Lamps</u> 	

Unacceptable way to display Energy Label	
Information on Energy Label is not legible or not displaying the entire Energy Label	
	

3 In situations, where it is not practical to comply with paragraph 2 due to insufficient space to clearly display the Energy Label, particularly in print advertisements, the following information must be prominently stated next to image/description in the advertisement:

- (i) the tick rating of the regulated goods;
- (ii) the Certificate of Registration number (COR) or supplier code

The number of ticks displayed must be large enough to be seen and read clearly, with or without the energy efficiency ratings descriptions. The COR or supplier code should be clear and legible on the advertisement

Examples of how the required information is to be displayed next to regulated goods (printed advertisement)

Display tick rating and registration number/supplier code only	
To display essential information without displaying the Energy Label	
	Brand/Model Tick Rating: ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ COR: ELS-XXX-XXXXX
Alternative ways to display tick ratings	
a) Display COR and tick symbols of any colour, style and size without energy rating descriptions	
Energy Rating: ✓✓✓✓ COR: ELS-XXX-XXXXX	Energy Rating ✓✓✓✓✓ COR: ELS-XXX-XXXXX
b) Display COR and tick symbols of any colour, style and size with energy rating descriptions	
ENERGY EFFICIENCY RATING GOOD ✓✓✓✓✓ COR: ELS-XXX-XXXXX	ENERGY EFFICIENCY RATING VERY GOOD ✓✓✓✓✓ COR: ELS-XXX-XXXXX
c) State number of ticks or tick-rating in text of any colour, style and size	
ENERGY RATING: 4 TICKS COR: ELS-XXX-XXXXX	Energy Rating: 3-Tick COR: ELS-XXX-XXXXX