

CCC Product Safety Compliance for Audio/video Equipment is Changing

Audio/video equipment intended for sale in China must meet new China Compulsory Certification (CCC) product safety requirements starting in November.

In February, the Certification and Accreditation Administration of China (CNCA) Technical Committee for High Tech Industry finalized the certificate update instructions for GB8898 (Audio, Video and Similar Electronic Apparatus—Safety Requirements). The updated standard is GB8898-2011. The official change announcement was made April 10.

After November 1, 2012, the China Quality Certification Centre (CQC) will only accept audio/video equipment applications for the CCC Mark to the new GB8898-2011 standard. From November 1, 2012 onwards, non-compliant products will not be permitted to be imported into or sold in the China market.

For audio/video products marketed under existing certificates, manufacturers are required to update their certificates according to the new standard by November 1, 2013, with an additional grace period extending to February 1, 2014. All suspended certificates will be withdrawn by the CQC after February 1, 2014.