KEBS IN BRIEF
Establishment

- KEBS is the National Standards body in Kenya; established through “The Standards Act” Cap. 496 of the Laws of Kenya; Legal Notices (LN) have expanded our scope.

- KEBS started its operations on 12th July 1974;
  - Currently reports to the Ministry of Industry, Trade & Cooperatives
  - Operations are guided by the Strategic Plan, yearly Performance Contract with the Government
  - Operates a performance management system based on a Balanced Scorecard
  - KEBS operates an integrated infrastructure that encompasses Standards, Metrology and Conformity Assessment (SMCA) under one organization.
KEBS Vision, Mission and Motto

**Vision**
To be a global leader in standards based solutions that deliver quality and confidence

**Mission**
To provide standards based solutions that promote innovation, trade and quality life.

**Motto**
Standards for quality life
KEBS Core Values

**CORE VALUES**

**INTEGRITY**
We are accountable, honest, trustworthy, respectful and ethical in our actions. We maintain a level of independence that assures confidence;

**CUSTOMER FOCUS**
We listen to both our internal and external customers and deliver an ever-increasing value to them;

**EXCELLENCE**
We relentlessly pursue success and continuously look for new ways to improve our services and processes;

**SUSTAINABILITY**
Our activities promote economic and social development while ensuring protection of the environment.
KEBS Mandate

KEBS is mandated (Standards Act CAP 496 and LNs) to provide standardization and conformity assessment services through:-

❖ Promotion of standardization in commerce and industry
❖ Provision of testing and calibration facilities
❖ Product and system certification
❖ Undertaking educational work in standardization and practical application of standards
❖ Maintenance and dissemination of International System of Units (SI) of measurements
KEBS Services

❖ Standardization Services
  ❖ Development of Standards (Company, National, Regional & International)
  ❖ Maintenance of Measurement Standards (Metrology)
  ❖ Technical support for multilateral and bilateral trade agreements

❖ Conformity Assessment Services
  ❖ Inspection (Import and Export)
  ❖ Quality Assurance (Product certification)
  ❖ Market Surveillance
  ❖ System Certification
  ❖ Testing services

❖ Training and Education

❖ Information Services (Library and Enquiry Point)
• **STAGE I:**

1. **Application:**
   a) Applicant(s) to provide a copy of certificate of registration of business.
   b) Filling of STA/1 form
   c) Payment of S/Mark fee as per the guidelines
   d) Registration of standards levy by filling SL1 forms (free)
• e) Purchase of applicable standard.
• f) Inspection of production premises.
• g) Finished product sampling.
• h) Preparation and forwarding of PSC report.
• i) Award of permit
• j) Printing of packaging materials.
• K) Factory Surveillance
IMPORTANCE OF PRODUCT CERTIFICATION

❖ To provide confidence to consumers, regulators, industry and other interested parties
❖ To raise quality awareness in the local market
❖ To facilitate trade, market access, fair competition and consumer acceptance of products at national, regional and international level.
❖ To raise efficiency and level of quality of products by manufacturers
• Lack of Consistency of product compliance at initial stage of production.
• Product Counterfeiting.
• Sustainability of the business after certification.
• Partial compliance to legal requirements.
• Lack of training programs for personnel.
• Lack of understanding and implementation of applicable standards.
• Inappropriate production site.
• Inadequate information on product labeling, identification and tractability.
• Lack of patenting of company's trade name or brand name.
• Difficulties in market access
• Compliance to statutory/legal requirements.
• Lack of appropriate skills.
• Technology transfer
• SM#Permit Number
• DM#Permit Number
S/MARK PERMIT SAMPLE
FORTIFICATION MARK LOGO
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