PRODUCT SAFETY INSPECTIONS IN TURKEY

Market Surveillance
On market, both imported and domestic products and risk-based.
Ministry of Trade is both the coordinator and responsible authority from certain product group.

Import Controls
At borders, imported products, risk-based. Ministry of Trade prepares the legislation and perform the import controls or make it performed by the related public authorities.
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<td>ATEX products, cableways, lifts, aerosol dispensers, pressure equipment, gas appliances, electrical equipment, energy efficiency, machinery, motor vehicles, explosives for civil use, transportable pressure equipment, hot water boilers, measuring instruments, pre-packaged products, batteries and accumulators</td>
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<td>Detergents, toys, chemical products (tattoo inks, cleaning and washing products), childcare products, products in the non-harmonized area such as ready to wear clothing-textile and footwear, decorative articles, furniture, hand tools, gadgets, hobby and sports equipment, kitchen/cooking accessories, lighters, stationery, children’s equipment, food imitation.</td>
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MARKET SURVEILLANCE IN TURKEY

- Eight different public authorities carry out market surveillance in Turkey.

Ministry of Trade – DG Product Safety and Inspection coordinates these activities.

- DG has been assigned as the coordinating body for market surveillance at national level and carries out this duty through two different mechanisms: Market Surveillance Coordination Board (MSCB) which gathers at Director-General level and Market Surveillance and Product Safety Assessment Board which gathers at ministerial level.

REPORTING OF MARKET SURVEILLANCE

- Annual reports on MS
- The National MS Strategy for 2019-2021
- Turkey’s Annual MS Programmes
LEGAL BASIS FOR MARKET SURVEILLANCE

- 97/9196 Cabinet Decision
- The Framework Law (No. 4703 on the “Preparation and Implementation of the Technical Legislation on Products was updated in March 2020 and the new Law No. 7223 on Product Safety and Technical Legislation Law will be implemented in 2021. )
- Regulation on Market Surveillance of Products
- Other secondary Regulations

AWARENESS RAISING IN THE AREAS OF PRODUCT SAFETY, MARKET SURVEILLANCE AND CONFORMITY ASSESSMENT PROJECT

- Awareness Raising in the Areas of Product Safety, Market Surveillance and Conformity Assessment Project is a technical assistance project co-funded by Turkey and EU in which the MoT is identified as the Beneficiary, but also includes other stakeholders from public, private and civil society bodies. The Project duration is 24 months and has been commenced on 9th of October 2018.

- The overall objective of the project is to contribute to increased awareness in the areas of product safety, market surveillance and conformity assessment for better implementation of the EU technical legislation.
IMPORT CONTROLS IN TURKEY

Purpose:

- To protect human, animal or plant life or health and other public interests.
- To ensure that only the products meeting relevant safety standards and complying with the requirements of technical regulations are imported.
- To transpose the inspection procedures on product safety from EU system stemming from the CU.
LEGAL BASIS FOR IMPORT CONTROLS

- Import controls of industrial and consumer goods are carried out through TAREKS within the scope of 10 Product Safety and Inspection Communiqués.

- Various exemptions from import controls are provided due to our obligations arising from international agreements, CU between Turkey and EU and the relevant needs of the sector.

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RISK BASED TRADE CONTROL SYSTEM

- TAREKS is the trade mark of “Risk-Based Trade Control System”
- Web based, 7/24 online applications. Importers and users must be pre-registered
- Required information should be provided and documents (if any) should be uploaded during the application
- Risk assessment includes, “product”, “origin”, “trademark”, “model”, “importer / applicant (user)” etc.
- TAREKS output (a 24 digit number) is a «digital document» to be submitted to the Box 44 of the Customs Declaration

RISK ANALYSIS

Product Definition

Risk Analysis

Risky Products
- %100 Inspection

Probability of risk

TAREKS Decides

Safe Products
- No Inspection

Effective use of scarce sources
COOPERATION BETWEEN MS AND IMPORT CONTROLS

- National Market Surveillance Information System (2013) provides information for TAREKS (unsafe & non compliant products detected via MS activities)

- TAREKS statistics are used as input for MS activities.

- Both information are used for risk assessment.

COVID-19 MEASURES

- Preventive measures immediately in order not to cause any delay on the entry of urgently needed products into the country.

- Medical products such as serum and blood donation set cannula, intravenous catheters, oxygen concentrators, diagnostic kits and personal protective equipments such as gloves are categorized as urgently needed products and import controls for such goods are prioritized so that their controls do not hamper the access to these products.

- As a result of the increased demand for surgical masks and respirators, the supply of required machinery and equipment for their production has become a significant issue as well. In this regard, the import control applications for machinery and equipment utilized in the production of medical devices have also been prioritized and their applications are concluded promptly.
Thank you
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