

FAQS ABOUT SAUDI SALEEM PROGRAMME

1. What does SASO stand for for?

SASO is an acronym for the "Saudi Standards, Metrology and Quality Organization (SASO)" that was established pursuant to the Royal Decree No. M/10 dated 03/03/1392 H and headed by his Excellency, Ministry of Commerce (MoC). The responsibility of SASO is concerned with generation of Standards and disseminating a culture of quality and standardization in all industrial and service activities within the KSA. SASO is also a member of Gulf Standardization Organization (GSO).

2. What is SALEEM?

The Arabic term SALEEM has been used to refer to the Saudi Product Safety Programme for regulating high risk products imported into the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia. This new Saudi Product Safety Programme aims to ensure that goods and products imported into the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia (KSA) meet the highest level of safety standards thereby promoting consumers' safety, environmental protection and energy conservation.

To facilitate the Saudi Product Safety Programme, SASO has issued Technical Regulations (TRs) for certain products based on their nature, application, safety and performance aspects and has appointed Certification Bodies to enforce these requirements in the Country of Supply.

3. What is meant by a Technical Regulation in the context of the Saudi Product Safety Programme?

A Technical Regulation (TR) is a document approved by the Board of Directors of SASO that guides concerned stakeholders regarding the technical requirements, methods of testing and the applicable administrative provisions to be complied with for a group of high or medium risk products. This document also includes legal clauses that empower the Regulatory Bodies and Market Surveillance Authorities to continuously assess the Regulated Products that are shipped to the KSA. Furthermore, SASO notifies the World Trade Organization (WTO) while at the same time, meets the requirements laid out by the Islamic Sharia law prior to publishing the Technical Regulations.



4. What is SABER?

SABER is an electronic platform that is designed by SASO for facilitating the online certification of Products and Shipments under the Saudi Product Safety Programme. Furthermore, this online system serves as the central online repository for all data related to the Saudi Product Safety Programme. The SABER system is also integrated with KSA Customs, GSO GCTS Database, JEEM portal, MoC, SLS and other KSA authorities.

SABER Platform can be accessed using the below link:

<https://saber.sa/>

5. Has SASO published a Technical Regulation for Electric Vehicles (EVs)?

Yes, SASO published a Technical Regulation for Electric Vehicles (TR No. MA-162-17-04-03) in the Saudi Official Gazette on 17th May 2019. The TR can be accessed using the below links:

Arabic version ([Click here](#))

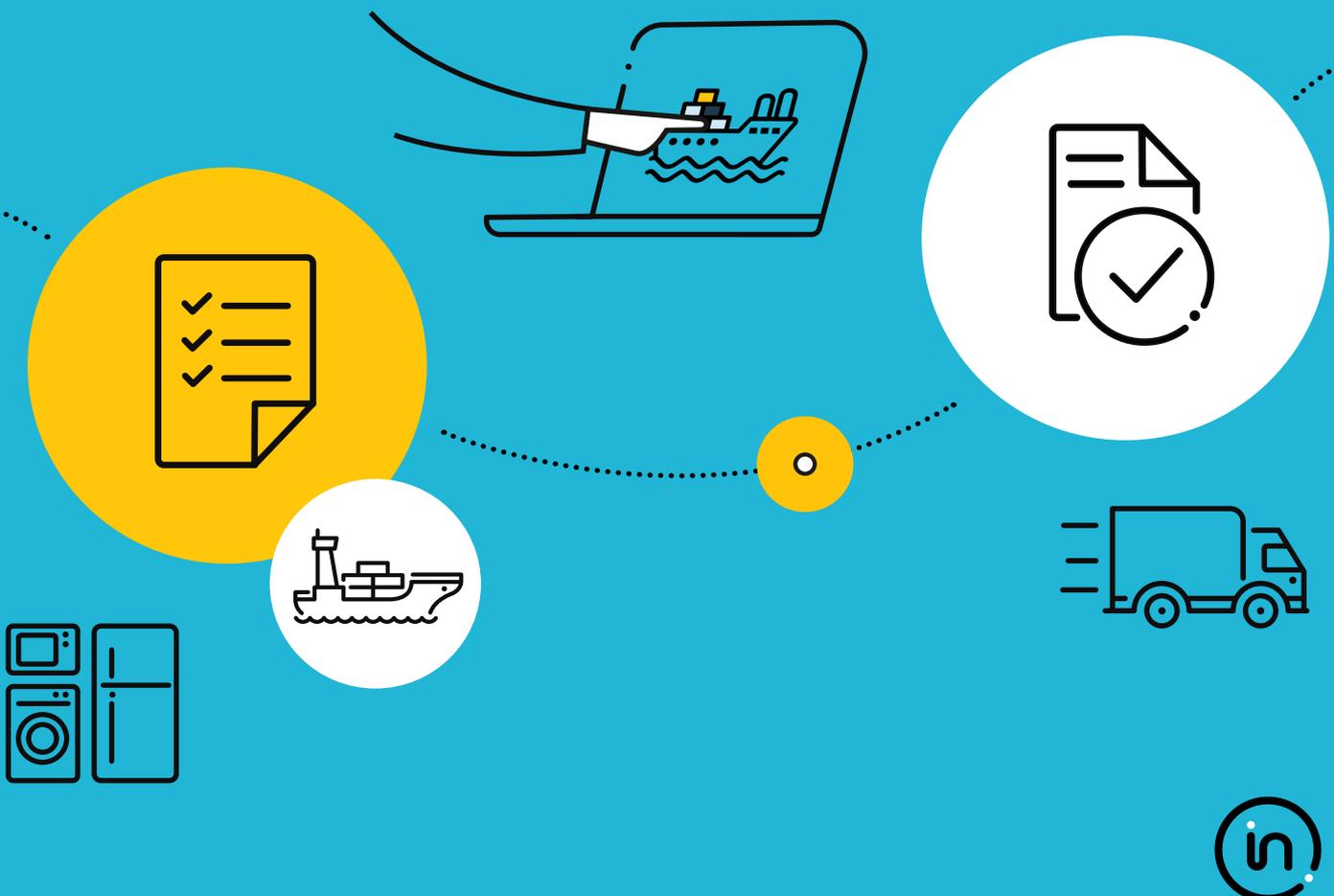
English version ([Click here](#))

6. What is contained in the TR for EVs??

The TR for EVs contains the detailed requirements to be complied by the Manufacturers and Exporters of EVs to KSA.

Some of the requirements are listed (but not limited to) below:

- Reference to the Standards required to be applied for Electric Vehicles (Annex 1 of the TR)
- Essential requirements for compliance of EVs (Annex 2 of the TR)
- Evidence of an effective quality management system, having ISO/TS 16949 Certification, or its equivalent (Clause 4/1/3 of the TR)
- Metrological requirements (Clause 4/3 of the TR)
- Compliance to KSA Traffic Regulations (Clause 4/4 of the TR)



7. Who is approved by SASO to perform conformity assessment and certification of EVs exported to KSA?

The conformity assessment and certification of EVs exported to KSA is solely handled by SASO's own Conformity Assessment department

8. What is the process of conformity assessment and certification of EVs exported to KSA?

The process of conformity assessment and certification of EVs starts with the Applicant applying for a Type approval Certificate for their EVs on [SASO's JEEM Platform](#) by submitting the Technical File and other qualifying documents mentioned in the TR for EVs. SASO's Conformity Assessment department studies the application and if the requirements are satisfied, proceeds with the issuance of the Type approval Certificate. Upon obtaining the Type approval Certificate for their EVs, Applicant can proceed with the registration on [SASO's SABER Platform](#) to obtain P-CoC and S-CoC which are required for KSA Customs clearance of consignments of Type approved EVs.

9. What must be submitted to SASO on the JEEM Platform to obtain the Type approval Certificate?

The Applicant must submit:

- Application form
- Importer declaration of conformity form
- Electric Vehicle Test Report form available in JEEM
- Date of periodic tests for EV
- Necessary literature on warnings, alerts and manuals on how to use the EV safely and securely
- Photographs of the identification sign/mark on the vehicle that clearly identifies that the vehicle is an EV
- Material Safety Data Sheet (MSDS) for the Battery
- Risk assessment document
- Designs and drawings to demonstrate conformity of the product with the requirements of the TR for EVs
- Evidence of effective Quality Management System (ISO/TS 16949 Certificate or equivalent)



14. What are the fees stipulated by SASO for obtaining the Type approval Certificate in JEEM?

The fee for submission of Application in JEEM is SAR 1000 per model. The fee for technical review of the Application is SAR 2000 per model.

15. What are the fees for obtaining P-CoC and S-CoC in SABER?

Once the Applicant has applied and obtained the Type approval Certificate in JEEM, they can obtain P-CoC and S-CoC in SABER without paying any fees.

20. Where is Intertek's office in Saudi?

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