TUV Rheinland of North America, Inc.

GOST R Certification

THE GOST R MARK

Member states of the former Soviet Union represent a significant and rapidly growing emerging market for information technology, household appliances, medical devices and instrumentation, industrial machinery and equipment used in hazardous locations.

Russia’s GOSTSTANDART is a standards writing, certification and accreditation organization. Russian standards and procedures are the same for domestic and imported products. GOST is an abbreviation of the Russian "Gosudarstwennyj Standart," or Government Standardization.

GOST R EXPIRATION

The GOST R certificate, issued in the name of the manufacturer, is valid for up to three years. For importers or distributors, a certificate for the batch of products is issued. There is no expiration date for this certificate as it covers a particular batch.

RUSSIAN STANDARDS

Russian national standards (GOST) are used for certification under the GOST R system. Most Russian standards for electrical equipment are harmonized with international standards:

- Safety: IEC Standards with Russian Deviations
- EMC: CISPR Standards and IEC Standards

Additional standards are applied for some particular products.

TUV RHEINLAND OF NORTH AMERICA

TUV Rheinland of North America, Inc. (TRNA) has been working directly with VNIIS (All-Russian Scientific and Research Institute for Certification) since 1993.

In October 2002, TRNA received accreditation to test products in-house to GOST R requirements. The final link was completed with the presence of a VNIIS Certification Specialist in Newtown, Connecticut, the company’s North American headquarters.

The certification process between the customer, TUV Rheinland of North America, Inc. and VNIIS is uncomplicated. A customer seeking GOST R certification signs and returns an application form to TRNA. That, combined with a CB and EMC report, is usually all that is needed for certification. Once TRNA receives these documents, VNIIS is able to complete the approval process quickly.

TUV Rheinland of North America, Inc. can provide GOST R certificates for an extensive range of products. Product samples are tested locally and without hassle in conjunction with TRNA product investigations for other key safety marks. This arrangement allows TRNA to offer reduced turnaround time with local service and global reach.

SERVICES INCLUDE

- Local safety and EMC testing for GOST R certification
- Factory inspections performed by TRNA
- Translation of critical documents from English to Russian
- U.S. processing and delivery of authorized copies of GOST R certificates within days of conclusion of testing