

# Considerations; Items of caution in certification work

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- 1 Compliance with obligation to match certified design
- 2 Appropriate operation of wireless LAN
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## Survey of marketed equipment

- ✓ MIC carries out market survey every year to ensure the conformity of radio equipment to the applicable technology standard
- ✓ To understand the situation of marketed equipment and request manufacturer and vendor to amend the nonconforming equipment.

Purchase of commercial product

Measurement/ analysis Publish result/request

#### [FY2018]

Mobile phone : over 4 types

Wireless LAN : over 7 types

Bluetooth : over 6 types

Drone : over 4 types

Low power device : over 8 types

BWA : over 2 types

Amateur radio : over 2 types

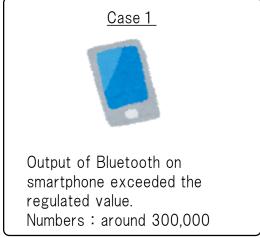


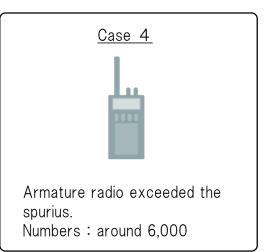


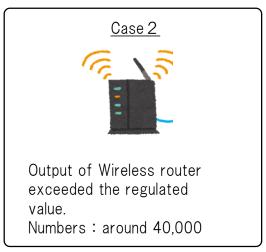


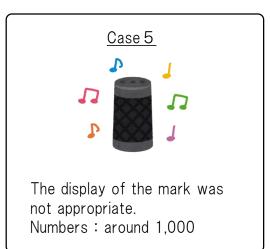
## Examples of non-conforming devices

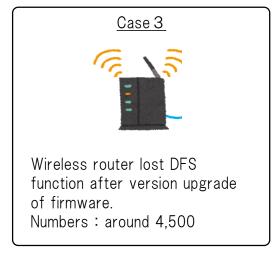
- ✓ In most cases, such as Wi-Fi, Bluetooth etc., the causes are due to a bug of software or inappropriate software update.
- ✓ Other causes are mainly due to manufactural failure or inappropriate indication of certification.

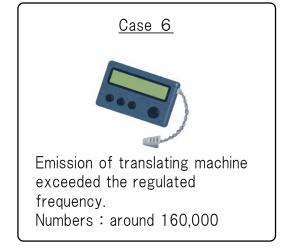












MIC website provides information on non-conforming equipment. This encourage s users to install the repair software etc. on the equipment to meet the required technical standard based on discussion at the expert meeting.

\* Effective utilization of radio waves and growing strategy meeting Report (3) © Promotion to secure compliance with technical standards in the IoT era " operation of radio station that did not meet the technical standard as well as the marketing of non-conforming radio equipment should be avoided."



- ✓ Currently around 10 cases
- ✓ All the case is breach of Construction Type Conformance Obligation
- ✓ Update as necessary

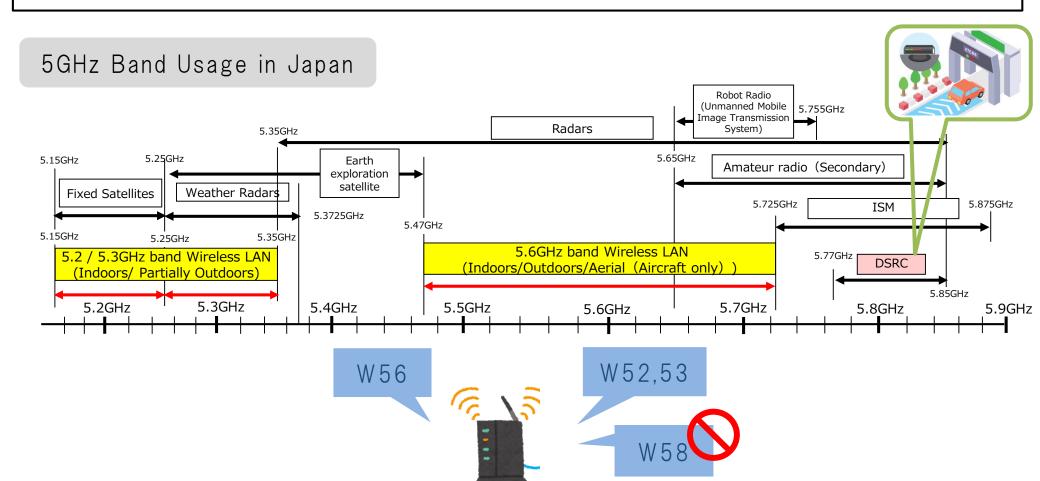
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- ✓ Each non-conforming equipment requires a complete repair. It needs tremendous effort.
- ✓ After obtaining Construction Type Certification, the certified radio equipment should perform as the intended design.
- ✓ When updating software, it is necessary to verify that the characteristics of radio waves are not changed. In recent years, the number of devices whose functions can be changed by software is increasing.
- ✓ In many cases, insufficient internal cooperation and communication may lead the nonconformity. Confirm the procedure when development and model changes etc. are carried out.
- ✓ Advice based on the experiences of Registered Certification Bodies are appreciated when the measured value is close to the upper limit of the reference value etc.

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- ✓ Recently general wireless LANs are capable of emitting several frequencies and ways of radio wave
- ✓ Certification is required to each radio wave the LAN can emit and need measures to avoid emitting radio wave out of the certified frequencies.



In some cases of the duly certified equipment with the mark, there is equipment that did not have necessary certification for each frequency or did not have adequate measure to restrict radio emission to meet the certification.



Both Certified Dealer and Registered Certification Body are requested to ensure the adequate scope of the certification and required measure.

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- Indication of Technical Standard Compliance Mark plays an important role to confirm that the radio equipment is complainant to the technical standard.
- The mark should be attached on the "main part" of the radio equipment and "easily recognizable".

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[ Radio Act ]
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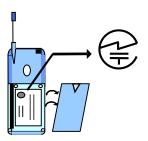
Article 37(7)(i) "shall affix the mark to the Specified Radio Equipment that receive a Technical Standards Conformity Certification"

[ Ordinance on Technical Standards Conformity Certification of Specified Radio Equipment ]

Article 8 (i) "(omit) a method to attach a mark (omit) an easily recognizable section"

Article 8 (iii) " (omit) marking method of the mark (omit) to be clarified by attachment of the documents describing (omit) or other proper method"

Form 7 Note1 "The mark should be easily recognizable"



Attachment of the mark on the main part





Electromagnetic display and its manual

The rules have been flexibly revised as the technology evolved.

✓ Revised based on opinions from expertise meeting to respond the diversity of radio communication equipment etc.

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#### Major comments from FRadio Efficiency and Growth Strategy Meeting J

- Due to the miniaturization and high integration of IoT devices, the indication of the mark of 3 mm on the modules etc. becomes difficult. Requirement of Display Method for Technical Standard Conformity Certification Mark (Diameter 3 mm or more) should be relaxed.
- Users are responsible for usage of illegal radio equipment. In the future, in order to ensure the usability of IoT equipment etc., we should make the mark easy to attach and recognize.



- ① Relaxation of the requirement of Technical Standard Conformity Certification Mark size
- 2 Designated radio equipment without display can indicate the mark by outer display.

#### Relaxation of requirement for the Size of Certification Mark



✓ Revision of Certification Rule Format 7, Format 14 Note 1 as following:

The size should be easily identifiable." "Note 1

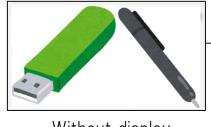
#### 2. New Electromagnetic display method



Built-in display



Electromagnetic display using external display



Without display



Peripheral monitor

✓ Addition following rules to Certification Rule Article 8, 20, 27, 36, 41

"An electromagnetic method that the display can immediately display the Certification Mark based on Format No. 7 in a clear state on the display of the product connected to the specified radio equipment that meets Technical Standard Conformity by a specific operation (Given that it can be displayed by wired connection with another product with built-in display before the operation of the specific wireless facility is first started)"

## Thank you very much.

OMIC Website http://www.soumu.go.jp

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