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**To:** Subscribers to UL's Certification Services under the Standard for Refrigerating Appliances, Ice-Cream Appliances, and Ice-Makers UL 60335-2-24, and the standard for Household Refrigerators and Freezers UL 250

**Subject:** **Implementation of Continuing Certification for Household Refrigerators and Freezers**

## **BACKGROUND**

This Bulletin is to inform you that UL has introduced the Continuing Certification approach to the Standards Technical Panel for UL 250/UL 60335-2-24 and the STP has voted on the implementation of the changes in requirements.

Under the Continuing Certification approach, the Standards Technical Panel (STP) responsible for the development and approval of the involved requirements has a voice in determining the implementation of the requirements. As STP 250 is the STP responsible for the development and approval of the requirements associated with Household Refrigerators and Freezers under UL 60335-2-24, UL requested that each STP member vote on the implementation of the changes associated with the subject requirements.

The STP voted in the affirmative that the scope of the change in requirements, transitioning from UL 250 to UL 60335-2-24, are not considered significant enough to require reevaluation, allowing currently certified products to maintain certification. Additionally, the STP voted and agreed with UL's suggested effective date of **March 31, 2018** to implement the 2nd Edition of UL60335-2-24 for certification of Household Refrigerators and Freezers.

Please refer to the [UL Collaborative Standards Development System](#) (CSDS), Work Area under **UL 60335-2-24 - Continuing Certification of UL 60335-2-24** - Opened 2015-08-12, for the details.

## **CONTINUING CERTIFICATION IMPLEMENTATION**

Please refer to the following for specific details of the implementation plan.

- Existing certifications of appliances will maintain their Certification provided there are no product changes that require a UL certification decision, or until a new/revised requirement in UL 60335-2-24 is determined as "Action Required", requiring an industry file review in the future.
  - *For example, if changes to the appliance design, ratings, or the use of alternate components requiring a certification decision are submitted after the March 31, 2018 effective date, the appliance will need to be evaluated to the latest version of UL 60335-2-24.*

- New and/or revised appliances submitted for certification on and after March 31, 2018 will be required to be investigated to the latest version of UL 60335-2-24, 2nd edition.

This Continuing Certification approach enables manufacturers to transition to new requirements based on their own schedule and their market demands. It will also allow manufacturers to continue producing appliances presently certified provided there are no changes made to the products or there are no modifications where compliance must be confirmed.

## **ADDITIONAL CERTIFICATION INFORMATION**

The Summary of Requirements for UL 60335-2-24 that address the new and/or revised requirements is accessible via the following link:

[https://ifs.ul.com/ifr/IFR.nsf/\\$\\$Template%20for%20CCPage?OpenForm](https://ifs.ul.com/ifr/IFR.nsf/$$Template%20for%20CCPage?OpenForm)

Using the “Effective Date Information & Summary of Requirements” section on the left hand side, you can search by standard number, effective date or letter date to locate the applicable documents. The Summary of Requirements is not a certification document; the published standard is the document for certification.

Should you have any questions regarding this letter or the Continuing Certification approach, please contact Randall Haseman at (847) 664-3076 or [Randall.J.Haseman@ul.com](mailto:Randall.J.Haseman@ul.com).

Respectfully,



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