

# WORLD TRADE ORGANIZATION

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Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade

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## NOTIFICATION

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.6.

1.	<b>Member to Agreement notifying:</b> JAPAN <b>If applicable, name of local government involved (Articles 3.2 and 7.2):</b>
2.	<b>Agency responsible:</b> Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry <b>Name and address (including telephone and fax numbers, e-mail and web-site addresses, if available) of agency or authority designated to handle comments regarding the notification shall be indicated if different from above:</b>
3.	<b>Notified under Article 2.9.2 [X], 2.10.1 [ ], 5.6.2 [ ], 5.7.1 [ ], other:</b>
4.	<b>Products covered (HS or CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable):</b> Portal laser applied appliances (Only limited for the appliances which are designed for indicating characters or figures to the object by emitting laser (visible laser only) from the appliances. The laser applied appliance which is used in a fixed position will be excluded. The same definition hereinafter).
5.	<b>Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document:</b> Revision of the Enforcement Ordinance of the Consumer Product Safety Law and the Ministerial Ordinance Concerning Safety Standards of Specific Products under the Jurisdiction of the Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry.
6.	<b>Description of content:</b> Portable laser applied appliances (Examples: laser pointers, etc.) will be stipulated as the Designated Specific Products of the Consumer Product Safety Law, and the Technical Regulations for conformity assessment will also be stipulated.
7.	<b>Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable:</b> The Consumer Product Safety Law is aiming for preventing hazards and interference to the lives or bodies of general consumers. Portable laser applied appliances will be stipulated as the Designated Specific Products in order to prevent the damage of the retina, which is caused by the laser beam generated from the portable laser applied appliances, and the Technical Regulations which specify the safety of products will be established. Portable laser applied appliances for business purposes shall conform to the requirements of the Class 2 laser products of JIS C 6802: Safety of Laser Products. Portable laser applied appliances for toys shall conform to the requirements of the Class 1 laser products of JIS C 6802, which specifies the exposure time, 30,000 seconds.
8.	<b>Relevant documents:</b> Consumer Product Safety Law Enforcement Regulations of the Consumer Product Safety Law

<b>9.</b>	<b>Proposed date of adoption:</b> <b>Proposed date of entry into force:</b>	<b>}</b> 31 January 2001
<b>10.</b>	<b>Final date for comments:</b> 30 January 2001	
<b>11.</b>	<b>Texts available from: National enquiry point [X] or address, telephone and fax numbers, e-mail and web-site addresses, if available of the other body:</b>	