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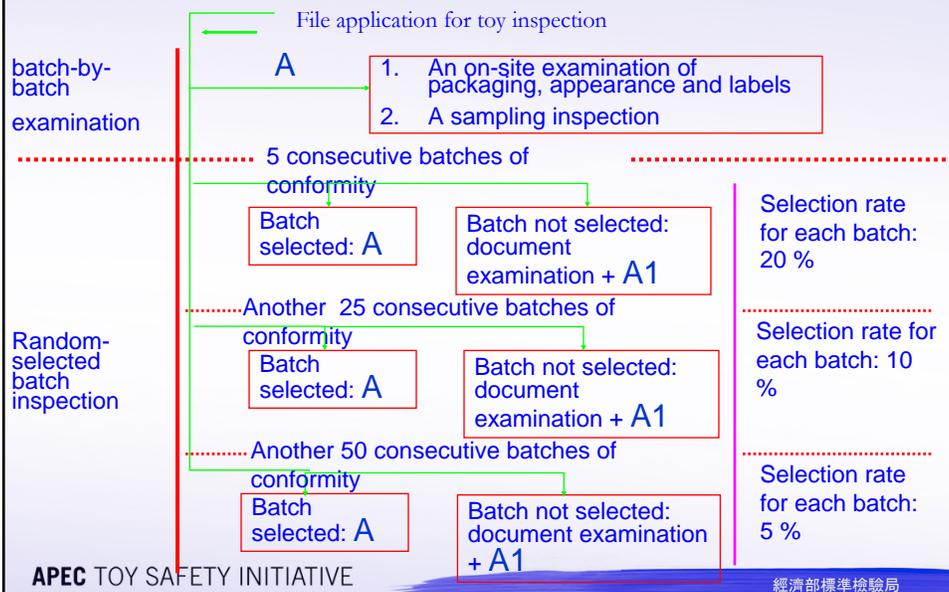
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# Inspection Scheme

- **Directions Governing the Inspection of Toys**
  - pre-market inspection
  - **Monitoring Inspection**
  - **Registration of Product Certification (RPC)**

# Monitoring Inspection



## Registration of Product Certification (RPC)

Steps	Related Materials/Documents	Location of implementation
Application for and obtainment of type test reports	3 pieces of each of the main type and serial types	Toy laboratories recognized by the BMSI
Application for registration of product certification	1. Basic information 2. Conformity assessment documents: (1) Type test report (2) Declaration of Conformity to Type 3. Technical documents 4. Colorful pictures of toys	Bureau of Standards, Metrology and Inspection (BMSI)
Issuance of Product Registration Certificate	Product Registration Certificate (1) Designated no. of applicant (2) Term of validity: 3 years (3) One extension allowed	BMSI
Production and marketing	Labels: Commodity labeling in Chinese + Commodity Inspection Mark	Usually at manufacturer's warehouse

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## Statistical Data of Implementation

Inspection Results in fiscal years 2006, 2007 and 2008 (pre-market)  
-- Toys for children under 14 years --

fiscal year	Batches	batches of non-conformity	non-conformity		
			Small parts	Heavy metal	Other failures
2008	7631	70	1	57	12
2007	9055	179	4	90	85
2006	10101	55	3	17	25
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## Market surveillance activities

- **Market surveillance plan conducted annually**
  - based on the characteristics of different areas and commodity risk assessments
  - Commodity checks
  - Market sampling tests
  - Factory sampling tests
  - Raising public awareness of commodity inspection regulations and commodity inspection mark
  - Guiding obligatory inspection applicants to observe inspection regulations
- **Market surveillance projects**
  - based on information provided by volunteers that are selected to help monitor consumer goods, informants, consumers, consumer protection groups or other sources
  - Commodity checks
  - Market sampling tests

## Implementation and Statistics

Activities	Performance in 2008
Market checks and sampling tests	market surveillance plans: 7 annual plans, all including toys. market surveillance projects: 63 projects, including 6 toy projects
Reinforcement of border control	A batch-by-batch examination of 177 items of toys for 6 months after they were determined to be unsafe. (Normally: monitoring inspection scheme)
Collection of unsafe product information	CPSC websites : 232; RAPEX websites : 352; AQSIQ websites: 238 ; our missions abroad: 297; our incidents reporting system: 59
Promotion of public awareness	campaigns and seminars on commodities inspection : 161 campaigns and 11 seminars to consumers seminars on report incidents : 10 to the enterprise information disclosures: 47 press conferences : 266 press

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## Implementation and Statistics

Year	Market check (items)	Sampling test (items)	Fine (items)	Correction within a given time limit (items)
	Toy	Toy	Toy	Toy
2006	35,233	1,194	31	439
	5,767	207	0	218
2007	30,752	1,306	39	378
	7,282	384	5	224
2008	30,673	1,092	149	401
	8,169	260	50	248
Σ	96,658	3,592	219	1,218
	21,218	851	55	690

# Incident Reporting in 2008

## By product category

Category	Reports	Percentage (%)
Electrical/ Electronic	48	81.3
Machinery	4	6.8
Chemical engineering products	5	8.5
Toys	2	3.4
<b>Total</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>100</b>

## Top 5 products

Products	Reports
Dehumidifiers	14
Televisions	8
Air conditioners	5
Refrigerators	5
Toys	2

## Case 1

### Case description



A kid bit the toy and paints fell off the toy. The parents were concerned on heavy metals of falling paint.

### Treatments

1. Investigation
2. sampling test : conformance with the safety standard.
3. Ask the enterprise to be careful about the safety of their toys .
4. Ask the parents not to allow kids bite toys.

## Case 2

### Case description



A kid fell down, collided with the toy and had a little cut near his eyebrow. His parents had doubt about the safety of the toy.

### Treatments

1. **Investigation: a warning label on the package: Not to allow kids play by themselves.**
2. **Sampling test : conformance with the safety standards.**
3. **Ask the enterprise to be careful about the safety of their toys .**
4. **Ask the parents not to let their kid play alone.**

## A Brief Summary

- **Premarket inspection**
  - Over the past 3 years, around 1% batches of toys did not pass inspection.
  - Most of them due to excessive heavy metal.
- **Market surveillance**
  - Over the past 3 years, 2~3 % of toys did not pass market checks and sampling tests.
  - Most of them due to commodity labeling
- **Incident Reporting**
  - There were still 2 cases of incident reports in the past year, although the toys passed inspection.
- **Conclusion**
  - Pre-market inspection can reduce, but not eliminate, the risk of unsafe toys displayed on the market.
  - Market surveillance is needed to be strengthened.
  - Promotion of public awareness on toy safety is also important.

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