

**REGULATORY REQUIREMENTS FOR  
MEDICAL DEVICES IN THAILAND**

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**Thai FDA**

## **Products in Control of Thai FDA**

- **Food, Drugs, Psychotropic Substances,  
Narcotics, Volatile Substances**
- **Medical Devices**
- **Cosmetics**
- **Hazardous substances for household use**

# Infra-structure of Food and Drug Administration

**Secretary-General**

**Committees**

**3 Deputy Secretary Generals**

**Food Control Bureau**

**Drug Control Bureau**

**Medical Devices  
Control Division**

**Narcotic Control  
Bureau**

**Cosmetic and  
Hazardous Substances  
Control Bureau**

**Import and Export  
Inspection Bureau**

**Office of the Secretary**

**Technical and Planning  
Bureau**

**Legal  
Group**

**Internal Audit  
Task Group**

**OSSC, Enforcement Center  
Complaint Center**

**Public & Consumer  
Affairs Division**

**Rural and Local  
Consumer Health Product  
Promotion Division**

**Information  
Technology Center**

**National Program  
on Chemical Safety**

**Public Sector  
Development Group**

## THAI FDA VISION

**“Excellent organization to protect public health and promote the use of health products which are safe, cost-effective and in good quality, leading to healthy society.”**

# THAI FDA VALUE

## “PROTECT”

- **P - People Centric**
- **R - Reliability**
- **O - Ongoing Learning**
- **T - Team work**
- **E - Ethic**
- **C - Competency**
- **T - Transparency**

## **MEDICAL DEVICE ACT IN THAILAND**

- **Before 1988, using Drug Act**
- **Since May 1988 - Medical Device Act 1988 (effective date: 6 March 2008)**
- **Medical Device Control Division, Food and Drug Administration** was officially established in June 1990 as regulatory authority to control manufacturing, importing, selling and advertising of medical devices in Thailand.

## DEFINITION OF MEDICAL DEVICES (1)

- include **Medical Devices**

### **For Animal Use**

- include **IVD** products
- include **Software**

## DEFINITION OF MEDICAL DEVICES (2)

- include accessories, components or parts of medical devices
- include any products announced by the Minister to be medical devices

## Conditions to be classified as Medical Devices

The medical devices must not achieve its primary intended action in or on the human or animal body by **pharmacological, immunological or metabolic means**, but which may be assisted in its intended function by such means.

## CONTROL OF MEDICAL DEVICES

- Pre-market approval
- **Control at port by FDA inspectors with close relation with custom officers**
- **Postmarketing surveillance and vigilance**
- **Advertisement control**
- **Communication of risk information to the public**

# Premarketing premise approval (1)

## **1. Establishment Registration:**

- **Manufacturing Registration**
- **Importing Registration**

## **2. Selling License for some**

**medical devices**

## Premarketing product approval (2)

Medical Devices are classified into 3 groups:

- ***Licensed Medical Devices***
- ***Notified Medical Devices***
- ***General Medical Devices***

# Premarketing approval

1. *Licensed medical devices*

*Licensing*

2. *Notified Medical Devices*

*Notification*

3. *General Medical Devices*

*FDA Cert. for  
custom process*

## **Post-Marketing Control of Medical Devices**

- **premise regular inspection**
- **product sampling check, recalling system**
- **cease production, importation and distribution**
- **AE reporting and vigilance system**
- **law enforcement**
- **public education and awareness**

## **One Stop Service Center in Thai FDA**

- **Pre-marketing service for all FDA responsible health products: medical device, drug, food, cosmetic, hazardous substances (except narcotic and psychotropic drugs)**
- **Pre-advertisement approval**
- **Issuing Certificates, etc**

# **One Stop Complaint Center in Thai FDA and Adhoc Post-market Team**

- **Post-marketing service for all FDA responsible health products**
- **Post-advertisement control/monitoring**
- **Law enforcement**

# **Network of Control**

- **Provincial FDA operated by provincial health offices**
- **Inspection at FDA port situated among all region and work closely with Custom Department**
- **Network of Expertise, Lab/Test Agency, Standard organization, Health Professional Associations, etc**

# Licensed Medical Devices

- **Condoms**
- **Surgical Gloves (being reclassified)**
- **Examination Gloves (being reclassified)**
- **HIV test kit for diagnosis**
- **Corrective and Cosmetic  
Contact Lens**

# Notified Medical Devices

- *Physical Therapy Devices*
- *Alcohol Detectors*
- *Silicone Breast Implants*
- *Breast Enhancer External Use devices*

# General Medical Devices

- *Devices not on the list of **Licensed medical device** and **Notified medical device***
- *Majorities are general medical devices*

## **Important REGULATIONS Update**

**2011-2012 (1)**

- **Ministerial Notification: Requirements on Recording and Reporting of manufacturing/importing/selling of medical devices dated 7 June 2011**

## **Important REGULATIONS Update**

**2011-2012 (2)**

- **Ministerial Regulations and FDA Notifications on Application and Issuing of Manufacturing/Importing Medical Device Products Licenses and Notifications dated 28 May 2012**

- **CSDT Requirements**

# **FUTURE PRIORITY PLANS (1)**

**Reclassification and Control Level of  
Medical Devices based on Risk Factor**

- **Medical devices (Non IVD)**
- **IVD devices**

# Premarketing approval

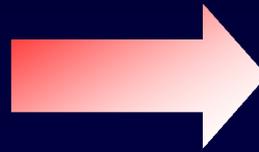
- 1. Licensed medical devices* → *High Risk*
- 2. Notified Medical Devices* → *Moderate Risk*
- 3. General Medical Devices* → *Low Risk*

# **FUTURE PRIORITY PLANS (2)**

**National Single Window/ License**

**per invoice**

**Target Thai FDA  
License per invoice  
Medical Devices**

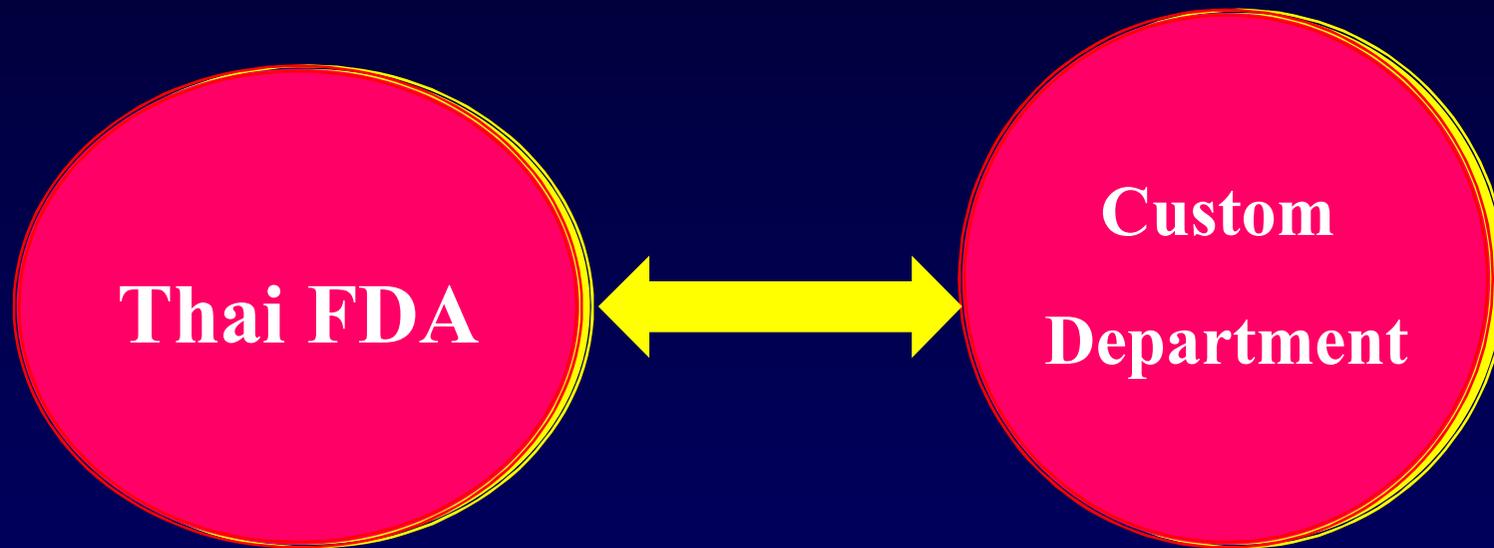


**October 2012  
December 2012**

**Target ASEAN  
All Health  
Products**



**January 2015**





**ID Number**



**Database**

# Database Importers

<b>Importer (Company) Registration Number</b>	<b>ID code</b>
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## **Database Medical Devices (1)**

<b>Product License No</b>	<b>Product Notification No</b>
<b>FDA Import Permit Letter for General Medical Devices No</b>	

## **Database Medical Devices (2)**

<b>Custom (HS) Code</b>	<b>Product Code</b>
<b>City and Country of Origin/ Manufacturers</b>	

# Duties of Importers

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- **input product database for all items that are still active or planned to be sold in Thailand**
- **pilot implementation**
- **full scale implementation**

# **FUTURE PRIORITY PLANS (3)**

**ASEAN Medical Device Directive  
and AEC 2015**

# **FUTURE PRIORITY PLANS (4)**

**Continue to draft or amend regulations e.g.**

- **Ministerial Notification No. 34, 19 July 2006 “ Medical Devices to be prohibited for import and sale ”**
- **FDA rule 2007, 28 February 2007 “ Principles on Certification required for import approval of medical devices ”**

# **FUTURE PRIORITY PLANS (5)**

**Outsource Program**