

This document provides compliance guidance to producers of information technology, telecommunications and audio visual equipment (ITT/AV) about what equipment is required to be reported to the Authority under the Electrical and Electronic Equipment (EEE) Regulation (O. Reg 522/20).

This compliance bulletin is specific to ITT/AV producers. Further information for lighting producers will be made available before the November 30, 2022 registration deadline.

**Under the Regulation, EEE is defined as electrical and electronic equipment that:**

- is designed for use with an electric current and a voltage rating not exceeding 1,000 volts for alternating current and 1,500 volts for direct current;
- weighs no more than 250 kilograms; and
- is not intended to be used permanently as part of a building or a structure at a pre-defined and dedicated location.

**The EEE Regulation separates EEE into the following two categories:**

- 1) ITT/AV
- 2) Lighting

**ITT/AV is defined as:**

Equipment that has the primary purpose of collecting, storing, processing, presenting or communicating information. This includes playing, displaying, recording or reproducing sounds and images.

**Lighting is defined as:**

Equipment that has the primary purpose of producing light, such as a bulb, lamp, light emitting diode or tube but does not include lighting that is provided with another product or a fixture.

If a product falls into both categories of EEE (i.e., lighting and ITT/AV), it belongs to and should be reported as the category of EEE that is most closely related to the primary purpose of the product, for example a Bluetooth speaker that has mood lighting on top is ITT/AV not lighting.

If the product's primary purpose does not fall into one of the categories of EEE described, it is not obligated under the Regulation and does not need to be reported to the Authority, regardless of whether any of the components, parts or peripherals of the product are EEE.

See Appendix A for a non-exhaustive list of products that must be reported as ITT/AV if they are supplied into Ontario.

## Reporting ITT/AV Supply

Every year, producers report their ITT/AV supply data supplied into Ontario for the calendar year two years prior (in 2021, producers will report their 2019 supply data). This data is used to calculate the producer's minimum management requirement for the following year (the 2021 report contains 2019 supply data, which is used to calculate the producer's 2022 minimum management requirement).

ITT/AV is considered supplied into Ontario when it has been sold, leased, rented, distributed, provided or otherwise made available to an end user in Ontario. End user includes individuals, institutions, commercial enterprises and industry (i.e., a person or business who obtains the material for the person's or businesses' own use).

Other considerations when determining a producer's ITT/AV supply data:

- Refurbished or repaired ITT/AV is not considered new ITT/AV and is not to be reported.
- ITT/AV that is imported into Ontario is not necessarily supplied to an end user in Ontario and should only be reported to the Authority when it has been supplied by an end user in Ontario. ITT/AV imported into Ontario and then sold or distributed outside the province is not to be reported.
- ITT/AV supplied to an end user in Ontario under a warranty claim must be reported.
- ITT/AV leased to an end user in Ontario must be reported the first time the equipment is leased, even when the product is taken back by the producer at end-of-life.
- ITT/AV includes all components, parts or peripherals, including batteries, that are provided with an obligated product at the time of supply to an end user in Ontario but does not include printed paper or packaging supplied with the product.
- Under the EEE Regulation, parts of information technology, telecommunications and audio visual equipment sold separately are obligated. For example, a hard drive sold separately from a computer is ITT/AV.

**The EEE Regulation does not apply to the following products, regardless of whether they would fall into one or more categories of EEE:**

- Cash registers, self-checkout machines, automated banking machines (ABMs) and automated teller machines (ATMs).
- Streetlights and signal or lighting systems designed to control or manage the movement of vehicles or pedestrians.
- Textiles, clothing, furniture or any other upholstered and stuffed articles containing any EEE.
- Motor vehicles.
- Any product that is or that is designed for use with any marine, military, aeronautic or space equipment.

- Any EEE that falls under the definition of “device” in section 2 of the Food and Drugs Act (Canada).
- Power tools.
- Children’s toys.
- Equipment of which the primary purpose is monitoring, measuring or controlling information or data, other than equipment that is included in the definition of ITT/AV.

## **Appendix A**

### **DESKTOP COMPUTERS**

- Computer Terminals
- Desktop Computers
- Thin clients
- Nettop computers
- Zero Clients with or without CPU
- Microcomputers
- Minicomputers
- All-in-one computers
- Internal computer parts & components.
- Electronic typewriters
- Peripherals and cables used to support the function of computers

### **SERVERS**

- Desktop/Tower servers
- Small office tower servers
- Server modules
- Servers and data storage equipment for use in Data Centers
- Peripherals and cables used to support the function of servers

### **PORTABLE COMPUTERS**

- Laptop computers
- Notebook computers
- Tablet computers
- Netbook computers
- Notepads
- Mini notebooks
- Lapdocks
- Ultra Mobile PCs (UMPC)
- E-book readers
- Other handheld computing devices
- Personal digital assistants (PDAs)
- Graphic tablets
- Industrial or commercial handheld or mobile computing devices
- Chargers
- Peripherals and cables used to support the function of portable computers

### **MONITORS**

- Computer monitors
- Professional display monitors
- Closed circuit monitor screens
- Robust panel PCs
- Security system monitors with integrated DVR
- Digital interactive monitors with touchscreen capabilities
- Portable display devices
- Electronic White Boards with/without Display Digital frames
- Digital visualizers
- Peripherals and cables used to support the function of monitors

### **TELEVISIONS**

- Televisions
- Combination TV/DVD or VHS players

Peripherals and cables used to support the function of televisions

### **PRINTERS/SCANNERS/FAX**

Desktop printers

Desktop scanners

Camera dock printers

Desktop label, barcode, card printers

ID card scanners

Desktop fax machines

Fax machine drum scanners

Fax machines and photocopiers

Desktop computer scanners

Desktop multi-function or “all-in-one” devices

Desktop business card scanners

Desktop cheque scanners

Desktop photo negative scanners

Thermal printers

Fax machines packaged with corded or cordless telephone handsets

Microfiches

Cheque printers

Portable printers and scanners (business card scanners; photonegative scanners)

Floor-standing office printers

Floor-standing graphics printers

Floor-standing wide-format printers

Commercial plotters

Floor-standing multi-function or “all-in-one” devices that perform different tasks such as copy, scan, fax or print

Floor-standing photocopiers

Floor-standing copy and print devices

Floor-standing wide-format copiers and/or multifunction devices Floor standing scanners

Floor standing fax machine drum scanners Floor standing fax machine photocopiers Floor standing fax machines

Newspaper and industrial copying and/or multifunction devices

Models which are able to utilize an optional floor-stand

Newspaper and industrial printing devices

Handheld printers such as calculators with printing capabilities and label makers

Ink cartridges

Toner cartridges

Peripherals and cables used to support the function of printers, scanners, and fax machines

### **COMPUTER PERIPHERALS**

Computer mouse

Computer keyboards

Trackballs

Keypads Touchpad/trackpad mouse

Digital notepads

Media readers

Network-Attached Storage Devices (NAS)

Computer peripheral travel kits

Numeric keypads

Controllers

Graphics tablets without display

HDMI switches

Joysticks

Separately sold remote controls  
Embedded multimedia terminal adapters (EMTA)  
Hard drive duplicators  
Multimedia controllers  
Laptop Docking Stations/Port Replicators  
Hard drive enclosures  
Stylus pens  
Smart pens  
Magnetic stripe readers  
Wireless adapters  
Bluetooth dongles  
Pen scanners

### **COMPUTER COMPONENTS AND DRIVES**

External/Internal CD-ROM, DVD, HD-DVD and Blu-ray drives  
External/Internal floppy-disk drives  
External/Internal optical disk drives  
External/ Internal solid-state drives  
External zip drives  
External hard drives, including home media network hard drives  
Internal Hard Drives  
PVR expander drives  
CD-writing drives  
DVD-writing drives  
CD burners/duplicators  
DVD-writing drives  
Graphics card/Graphics Processing Unit

### **VIDEO GAME CONSOLES AND PERIPHERALS**

Handheld video game consoles  
Video game consoles designed to be connected to TV or monitor  
Video game console controllers  
Handheld video game systems  
Videogames designed for use with an electrical current (not CDs)  
Balance boards  
Sensors and other input devices  
Peripherals and cables used to support the function of video game consoles

### **AUDIO/VIDEO PLAYBACK AND/OR RECORDING SYSTEMS**

Portable AM/FM radios  
Clock radios  
Wi-Fi Internet radios  
Citizen band radios  
Portable stereos, including those enabled to connect to wireless internet  
Portable tapeplayers and recorders (e.g., dictating machines/transcribers)  
Portable disc (CD, DVD, Blu-ray, etc.) players/recorders  
Portable digital readers (e.g. MP3, MP4 players)  
Docking stations for portable digital players (e.g. MP3, MP4 players, smart phones, etc.) and other portable devices  
Portable docking/compact/folding speakers (wired and wireless including Wi-Fi or Bluetooth) (e.g. USB computer speakers; solar powered web browsing devices; smart phone dock stations)  
Portable cassette or digital audio/voice recorders  
Portable video playback devices

Headphones  
Mini earphones and microphones  
Headsets (wired and wireless, including Bluetooth)  
Microphones  
Multi-function satellite radios that include CD, MP3, AM/FM radio or other audio functions  
Multi-function radios that include CD, MP3, AM/FM or other audio functions  
Sound, image and wave storage devices  
Video monitors and camera systems (e.g., audio monitors & cameras, portable video surveillance systems)  
Portable two-way radios/FRS radios/GMRS radios/walkie-talkies/CB radios  
Professional radios  
Personal FM transmitters  
Satellite radio receivers (hand-held)  
Portable microphone and amplifier bundles  
Tely HD  
Radio with flashlight  
Industrial/commercial quality microphones used for musical recording, performances and/or public address  
Commercial, professional or industrial microphones  
Non-audio optical disk-players  
Peripherals and cables used to support the function of audio/video playback and recording systems

#### **STATIONARY AUDIO/VIDEO PLAYBACK/RECORDING SYSTEMS**

Video cassette players (VCRs)  
Digital Video Recorders (DVRs)  
Personal Video Recorders (PVRs)  
Non-portable Disc players/ recorders (DVD, Blu-ray, etc.)  
Laser Disc players/recorders  
Cable & satellite digital receivers  
Set-top boxes Including digital TV  
Home automation controllers  
Wireless HD audio/video kits  
Internet media streamers  
Converters  
Non-portable AM/FM radios with satellite capabilities  
Non-portable AM/FM radios  
Non-portable combination multimedia players  
Non-portable combination cassette recorders and players  
Analog & digital video cameras for security or other closed-circuit use Industrial/commercial quality amplifiers, speakers  
Industrial/commercial equipment related to musical recordings, performances Public address systems  
Horn Speakers  
Amplifiers  
Frequency equalizers  
Receivers  
CD or tape decks  
Turntables/record players  
Bar Speakers  
Other digital music recorders/players  
Non-portable audio docking stations  
Non-portable combination cassettes  
Home/non-commercial video gaming equipment consoles (TV or screen required)  
Karaoke machines  
Multimedia players/recorders  
Satellite dishes

Video management systems  
Signage players  
White noise machines  
Peripheral audio devices.  
Amplifiers  
Disc players Speakers  
Sub-woofers  
Peripherals and cables used to support the function of stationary audio/video playback and recording systems

## **PROJECTORS**

Multimedia projectors  
Overhead projectors  
Digital projectors  
Portable multimedia projectors  
Video projectors  
Peripherals and cables used to support the function of projectors

## **CAMERAS**

Digital cameras  
Non-digital cameras designed to be used with an electrical current  
Video cameras/ camcorders  
Webcams / Web cameras  
Security cameras  
Electronic toy cameras  
Single use disposable cameras  
Commercial, professional or industrial video cameras  
Network cameras  
Industrial/commercial quality broadcasting or satellite cameras  
Dash cameras  
Bike cameras  
Chargers  
Peripherals and cables used to support the function of cameras

## **NON-CELLULAR TELEPHONES AND ANSWERING MACHINES**

Wire line telephones including rotary and touchtone technologies  
Cordless telephones requiring an electrical base station/handset cradles for battery charging and wire-line network connection  
VoIP phones  
VoIP home phone services  
Satellite phones  
Telephone line answering machines that utilize cassette-based or digital recording technologies  
Telephone amplifiers  
VoIP phone adapters  
Telephone recording device  
USB speakerphones  
Speakers/Conference phones  
Voicemail/answering machine devices that utilize a centralized networked system  
Telephone accessories including headsets and hands-free accessories  
Peripherals and cables used to support the function of non-cellular telephones and answering machines



## **CELLULAR DEVICES AND PAGERS**

Cellular phones  
Mobile phones  
Cellular phones offering camera, video recording and/or audio functions  
Smart phones  
Palmtop computers (cell-enabled)  
Cell-enabled Personal Digital Assistants  
Cell-enabled handheld devices  
Pagers  
Phablet/smart phone hybrids  
Chargers  
Peripherals and cables used to support the function of cellular phones and pagers

## **IT AND TELECOM EQUIPMENT**

Bridges Modems  
Switches/Network Hubs  
Routers  
Business servers  
Combo routers/modems  
Server modules (e.g., blades & pizza box server equipment commonly installed in a rack- mount frame or in an enclosure)  
(Business) Network security appliances & firewalls  
Wireless access points  
Range extenders  
Ethernet switches, networking products (including security appliances and firewalls Tape storage systems  
Servers and data storage equipment for use in Data Centers  
Business routers and routing systems  
Business switches & switching systems  
Business video conferencing systems  
Video splitters  
Wireless audio/video transmitters/RF Transmitters  
Peripherals and cables used to support the function of IT and telecom equipment

## **MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS**

Any musical instrument designed to be used with an electrical charge  
Any stringed instruments with built-in active or passive electronics  
Electronic percussion instruments with or without onboard power or are powered by battery, battery and cord or USB only  
Percussion instruments with built-in active electronics and power from an AC source or AC adaptor  
Keyboard instruments with built-in active or passive electronics, to plug directly into AC current with a wall cord  
Portable keyboard instruments/controllers with built-in active or passive electronics  
Battery-powered keyboards  
Portable MIDI controllers  
Sound modules  
Audio backing modules  
All electronic tuners, metronomes or combination devices, as well as tuner pickups  
Portable amplifiers, mixers, or pedal boards powered by battery, battery and cord, USB only, USB, or AC adapter  
Passive or active pickups, preamps, interconnects, controls or effects systems for stringed or keyboard instruments  
Foot pedals for electronic keyboards, etc.  
Footswitches, active or passive direct boxes

Guitar effects pedals  
 Impedance matching devices  
 Off board preamp pedals  
 Sound hole pickups  
 Under-saddle pickups  
 Digital pianos  
 Electronic keyboards  
 Industrial/commercial quality microphones used for musical recording, performances and/or public address (e.g. wireless microphone systems)  
 MIDI controllers and devices  
 Guitar amplifier  
 Synthesizers  
 Amplifiers, mixers, and speaker enclosures for musical instruments and public address systems  
 DJ mixers and electronic audio devices  
 Replacement or repair parts for musical instruments  
 Peripherals and cables used to support the function of musical instruments

### **POS and POS PERIPHERALS**

Handheld POS devices  
 Desktop POS devices  
 POS Pole Display  
 Computer monitors used with a Point of Sale (POS) System  
 POS printers  
 Portable Point of Sale (POS) receipt printers  
 Handheld barcode scanners  
 Magnetic stripe readers  
 Peripherals and cables used to support the function of POS

### **OTHER**

Calculators  
 Digital photo key chains  
 E-book readers  
 Electronic dictionaries  
 Global Positioning System (GPS) receivers and components  
 Postage meters  
 Singing Birthday Cards  
 Smart Watches, including smart watches for children  
 Smart glasses  
 Cables  
 Chargers  
 Connectors  
 Peripherals used to support the function of ITT/AV  
 Audio baby monitors and receivers  
 Video baby monitors and receivers  
 Drones with audio or visual recording equipment

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