

## PRESS RELEASE - GDSTC has become one of the First Agencies for Imported Clothing Inspection approved by China GACC

[Guangdong, 1 June 2023] Recently, GACC, the General Administration of Customs of the People's Republic of China (中国海关总署) has released the first batch of "Directory of Customs **Imported Clothing Inspection** and Certification Agencies".

Serial No.	Name of Inspection Institution	Organization Code	Inspected Commodity Name	Country / Area	Contact Information
46	Dongguan STC	A142220046	Adult clothing, infant and children's clothing	China	0769-81119888

This directory shows (in the above item) that the branch of STC Group in Dongguan: "STC (Guangdong)" (formerly known as Dongguan STC) has successfully passed the assessment of the GACC - by virtue of its professional technology and comprehensive professionalism - and become one of its first batch of recognized inspection institutions and laboratories, to undertake the inspection and testing tasks of imported adult clothing, infant and children's clothing in China.

On 1 December 2022, GACC issued the "Announcement on the Acceptance Requirements for Imported Clothing" (General Administration Announcement No. 120) and implemented it on the same day. That Announcement is the first of its kind, symbolizing an official entry into the implementation stage for inspections, as an important measure for the customs to promote high-quality development, deepen the reform of "decentralization, regulation and service", practice institutional opening, and effectively protect the rights and interests of consumers.

Import and Export Commodity Inspection and Certification Agencies of the Customs refer to inspection agencies that have the qualifications and capabilities required by the Customs and are included in the Catalog of Certification Agencies by the GACC. Customs will use the inspection report issued by any one of the recognized agencies to carry out conformity assessment for import and export commodities, and use the inspection report issued by such agency as the basis for conformity assessment in accordance with the law, and implement facilitation measures such as document review and release, exemption from sampling and inspection, which can effectively shorten customs clearance time.

It is reported that the inspection institutions that meet these accreditation requirements shall obtain the accreditation of inspection and testing institutions (CMA) or obtain the ISO/IEC 17025 accreditation implemented by the China National Certification Service for Conformity Assessment (CNAS).

STC (Guangdong), established in 2005, is an independent, third-party product testing, inspection and certification organization invested by the STC Group and approved by the GACC. Over the years, STC has been closely following the development of industry and trade, and has continuously expanded its service network. Committed to providing professional, reliable and comprehensive testing services for the industry, we commit to provide scientific, objective and fair testing reports to ensure that products meet the relevant technical requirements and safety standards, and protect the safety of consumers.

STC (Hong Kong Standards and Testing Centre) is a not-for-profit, independent testing, inspection and certification organization. With a global network of ISO/IEC 17025 accredited testing laboratories and 60 years of experience in consumer product testing, our service can meet your conformity assessment needs with high efficiency and reliability.

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