Marking and Labeling Systems for Canada

Canadian Component Certification Program for Marking and Labeling Systems

Utilize UL's Marking and Labeling Systems for Canada program to access over 600 client files and 5000 labels and label materials that have been certified to the Canadian Standard, CSA C22.2 No. 0.15, Adhesive Labels.

UL’s Marking and Labeling Systems program covers labels and label materials that have been submitted to UL for evaluation in accordance with prescribed permanence of marking performance requirements. Most clients associate this program with ANSI/UL 969, “Standard for Marking & Labeling Systems”. In addition to UL 969, UL has worked with hundreds of label clients to evaluate over 5000 labels and label materials to the Canadian Standard, CSA C22.2 No. 0.15, “Adhesive Labels”, under the Canadian Component Certification Program.

UL has helped numerous clients entering the Canadian market with UL's Marks for Canada. Standards Council of Canada (SCC) accreditation provides regulatory authorities, purchasers, or other entities the confidence they seek regarding UL’s competence as a product certification organization.

Marking & Labeling Systems that meet UL Component Certification program for Canada fall under Category Code Numbers (CCN) PGDQ8, PGJI8, PGIM8 and PGGU8. Products under these categories are eligible to bear the UL Recognized Component Mark for Canada (sometimes referred as a cUL or cUR Mark). The Mark for Canada ensures that the label and label materials have been investigated using the most current requirements of Standard CSA C22.2 No. 0.15, “Adhesive Labels”.

Testing under the requirements of Canadian Standards will assure that a certified component label system will be accepted by UL in an end-product evaluation where the complete equipment is submitted to UL for certification to Canadian requirements (e.g. cUL or cULus Listing, cUL or cULus Classification). Other certification bodies that certify products utilizing UL Certified label systems for Canada establish their own policies and internal processes. End-product manufacturers should review these policies of other certification bodies for acceptance of UL’s certified components or submit their complete equipment to UL for Canadian Certification to access the Canadian Market.

In Canada, products are often required to be certified by a Standards Council of Canada (SCC) accredited certification organization (CO). UL and its Canadian Certification programs are accredited by the SCC so that products evaluated by UL for the Canadian market will be accepted therein.
Benefits of the Program

UL’s Component certification programs create value for end-product manufacturers by eliminating redundant testing and surveillance for the commercially available components employed in their products. They also add confidence to supply chain integrity by having the component testing and surveillance conducted where the components are manufactured, rather than when they are already being used in an end-product.

UL is a preferred service provider due to our global market access programs and UL’s two complimentary online databases of certified components which are indexed and searchable: UL’s Online Certifications Database and UL’s iQ™ family of databases. These databases include valuable information regarding the suppliers who have UL and/or Canadian Component certifications and ratings. Many end-product manufacturers use these databases to verify the certification information of the components they intend to use in their end-product applications, while other users utilize the database to identify potential suppliers of UL Certified Components.

Marking & Labeling Systems that meet UL Component Certification program for Canada fall under Categories:

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Why Clients Prefer UL Canadian Certification Program:

- Trusted Brand
- Global Market Access to US, Canadian, and Other International Markets
- Leader in Global Technical Expertise
- Integrity and Independence
- Ability to Streamline Market Access and Cost Efficiencies by Leveraging One Provider
- Ability to Test to Both UL and Canadian Requirements; One Stop Shop
Frequently Asked Questions:

What does the UL Mark for Canada mean?
You’ve seen the familiar Mark of UL on dozens of appliances and other products in your home. A UL Mark for Canada on a product means that samples of the product have been evaluated to Canadian standards and codes by UL.

What if products have been evaluated to the safety standards of both Canada and the United States?
The UL Mark for Canada may appear next to the traditional UL Mark, which represents evaluations to nationally recognized safety standards of the United States. When both Marks appear on the product, samples of the product were determined to meet the national safety requirements of both countries and the product is intended for sale in both countries.

UL also has a single Mark that indicates compliance with both Canadian and U.S. requirements. The Canada/U.S. UL Mark is optional, so manufacturers of products currently certified by UL for both countries may continue to use separate Marks for Canada and the United States.

What does the Marking & Labeling Systems UL Recognized Component Mark look like?
There are three variations of UL’s Recognized Component Mark: one for the United States only (left), one for Canada only (center) and one for both the United States and Canada (right).

What happens after a product gets the UL Mark for Canada? Is that the end of UL’s involvement?
Once the product earns the UL Mark for Canada, UL doesn’t forget about it. UL field representatives located worldwide make periodic factory visits and sample testing to determine that products continue to meet Canadian safety requirements. UL field representatives will perform the cUL or cULus inspection at the same time as the UL inspection saving time and money for the manufacturers. A product must continue to meet Canadian safety requirements to bear the UL Mark for Canada. If a UL field representative determines that a product no longer complies, the manufacturer is required to remove the UL Mark for Canada from the product. This process helps protect the integrity of the UL Mark for Canada. In fact, this rigorous program is part of what makes UL unique.

Who uses UL’s services for Canada?
Many Canadian product standards are mandated by law, either federal or provincial. UL is accredited by Standards Council of Canada (SCC); allowing the UL Marks for Canada to be accepted throughout Canada. The use of the UL Mark versus other certification organization marks is not mandated by any law. The only requirement is that the certification organization is accredited with the SCC and the Mark is registered.

Manufacturers all over the world choose to submit products to UL for testing and safety certification. These manufacturers are concerned with the safety of their products, and they know safety-conscious and concerned consumers look for a UL Mark on the products they buy. Manufacturers come to UL from all over the world because no other testing organization provides so many unique services, offers such thorough evaluations, and is so widely sought after and accepted.
What Standard is used for Canadian evaluation for Marking & Labeling Systems and does it differ from other Certification Bodies?

Marking & Labeling Systems Certified under category codes PGDQ8, PGJ8, PGIM8 and PGGU8, indicate that the label system has been investigated to the most current requirements of Standard CSA C22.2 No. 0.15, “Adhesive Labels”. This is the same standard utilized by other certification bodies when evaluating to Canadian label requirements.

Does certification to a Canadian standard require additional testing?

UL engineers follow guidelines in establishing cUL Label Recognition for clients as expeditiously as possible, which include accepting other certification bodies data where appropriate, and using current UL data to cover part of the testing needed to establish cUL Recognition. Please note the Canadian requirements includes test methods that differ from UL 969, therefore, additional testing typically is necessary to grant both US and Canadian Recognition for labels.

Are UL certified components accepted by other certification bodies?

Testing under the requirements of Canadian Standards will assure that a cUL Recognition of a component label system will be accepted by UL in an end-product evaluation where the complete equipment is submitted to UL for cUL Listing or cUL Classification to Canadian requirements. In other words, cUL Recognition facilitates cUL Listing or cUL Classification within UL for many products.

Other certification organization are allowed to adopt their own internal component policies when reviewing and accepting certified components from UL, such as Marking & Labeling Systems. UL cannot direct other certification bodies to accept UL Canadian Certified Marking & Labeling Systems. However, it is our understanding certification bodies often leverage UL’s industry leading Online Certification Directory and iQ for Labels Databases to review and accept UL Certified components.

UL strongly encourages label clients and end-product manufacturers to verify with other certification bodies whether or not UL Certified Components will be accepted prior to engaging other certification bodies. Alternatively clients may utilize UL’s Canadian Certification Program for both the components and complete equipment.