

From the Ministry of Industry and Technology:

**COMMUNIQUÉ ON TS 198/T1,T2,T3 V-BELTS STANDARD  
(COMMUNIQUÉ NO: MSG – MS – 2019 / )**

**Purpose**

**Article 1** – (1) The purpose of this Communiqué is to identify issues related to the implementation of amendments of TS 198/T1,T2,T3 (December 2016) “V Belts” standard.

**Scope**

**Article 2** – (1) This standard covers V belts and specifies their identifications, classifications, sampling, inspection, testing and marketing.

(2) This standard covers V belts in Clause 4.1.2

**Legal Basis**

**Article 3** – (1) This Communiqué; has been drawn up based on the Presidential Decree No 1 on Organisation of the Presidency published in the Official Journal numbered 30474 and dated 10/7/2018; Law No 1705 on the Prevention of Adulteration in Trade and Supervision and Protection of Exports dated 10/6/1930; Presidential Decree No 4 on the Organization of Affiliated, Related, Associated Institutions and Institutions and Other Institutions and Organizations which are affiliated to Ministries published in the Official Journal numbered 30479 and dated 10/7/2018 and Regulation on Mutual Recognition in Non-regulated Areas that was put into force with the Decision No. 2012/3169 of the Council of Ministers dated 2/5/2012.

**Putting into Effect**

**Article 4** – (1) The Communiqué regarding TS 198/T1,T2,T3 (December 2016) “V Belts” standard was published in the Official Journal numbered 30469 and dated 5/7/2018 and put into effect as mandatory. In T1 text “Binding references” (Article 2), “Types” (Article 4.1.2), “Measuring the effective length of V-belts used in agricultural machines” (Article 5.2.3.3) are amended,

In T2 text “Short representations” is added as “Article 6” and “Article 6” is rearranged as “Article 7”; “Durability” (Article 4.2.3), “Fatigue test for V-belts (AV 10 and AV 13) used in automotive industry” (Article 5.3.1.2), “Marking of belts” (Article 7.2.1), “Marking of packages” (Article 7.2.2) are amended,

In T3 text “Sampling” (Article 5.1), “Marking of Belts” (Article 6.2) are amended.

(2) The texts in the clauses regarding the amendments (TS 198/T1,T2,T3), which were decided to be published in the meeting of Technical Board of Turkish Standards Institution (TSE) dated 19/11/2018, 29/4/2019 and 30/9/2019, has been put into effect as mandatory in manufacturing and sales stages.

**Compliance Obligation**

**Article 5** – (1) Those who produce and sell products on the market within the scope of TS 198/T1,T2,T3 (December 2016) Standard shall be obliged to comply with the provisions of this Communiqué.

**Mutual Recognition Clause**

**Article 6** – (1) The provisions of this Communiqué on TS 198/T1,T2,T3 “V Belts” shall not apply to the products which were legally produced or put into free circulation in a Member State of the European Union.

(2) Nonetheless, the Ministry of Science, Industry and Technology may submit the product referred to in paragraph (1) to an evaluation following the rules and procedures laid down in Chapter Three of Regulation on Mutual Recognition in Non-Harmonised Area as a

result of this evaluation if it finds out that this product does not provide a level of protection equivalent to that sought by this Communiqué on TS 198 “V Belts” it may prohibit placing on the market of the product, make its placing on the market subject to prior conditions or have the product withdrawn or recalled from the market.

**Provision**

**Article 7** – (1) TS 198/T1,T2,T3 (December 2016) “V Belts” standard amendments shall be obtained from the central organization or provincial representative offices of TSE. Contact information can be accessed from the website of the TSE.

**Entry into Force**

**Article 8** – (1) This Communiqué shall enter into force fifteen days after its publication.

**Enforcement**

**Article 9** – (1) The provisions of this Communiqué shall be enforced by the Minister of Industry and Technology.