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# DIRECTOR GENERAL THE DEPARTMENT OF STANDARDS MALAYSIA

## **NEW MALAYSIAN STANDARDS APPROVED**

CYBERJAYA, 30 November 2021 – A new batch of Malaysian Standards (MS) developed by the Department of Standards Malaysia (Standards Malaysia) had been approved by the Senior Minister of International Trade and Industry to serve the needs of the relevant stakeholders.

The current approval consists of 1 new MS namely *MS 2705:2021 - Wood-based panels - Formaldehyde emission limits*. This MS is an indigenous standard specifying the formaldehyde emission limits from wood-based panels including fiberboard, particleboard, plywood and other related wood-based panel products and is to be referenced in the proposed technical regulation on formaldehyde emission limit for wood-based panels under the provision of Malaysian Timber Industry Board (MTIB) Act [Act 105].

The approval also consists of 2 revisions and 8 withdrawals of MS. This would contribute to a cumulative of 4892 MS produced by Standards Malaysia thus far under various sectors. The MS had undergone thorough deliberations, stringent procedures as well as public engagements in order to ensure that they meet the requirements of stakeholders, regulators and other users with the aim at upholding safety, quality, environmental protection as well as general wellbeing.

In accordance with the Standards of Malaysia Act [Act 549], other than producing new MS to cater the needs of the market, Standards Malaysia as the National Standards Body is also responsible for the maintenance of MS such as amending, revising or withdrawing MS as approved by the Minister and later declared accordingly on its web page.

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