

including components thereof, not expressly provided for by law, as a means of advancing the national economy, benefiting the health, safety and welfare of the public, assisting and protecting consumers, facilitating domestic and international trade and furthering international cooperation in the field of standards.

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(2) The Council, in carrying out its objects in the fields referred to in subsection (1), may

- (a) promote cooperation among organizations concerned with voluntary standardization in Canada in those fields to coordinate standardization activities and develop common standards and codes;
- (b) promote cooperation between organizations concerned with voluntary standardization in Canada in those fields and departments and agencies of government at all levels in Canada with a view to achieving compatibility and maximum common usage of standards and codes in those fields;
- (c) recommend criteria and procedures relating to the preparation, approval, acceptance and designation of voluntary standards in Canada in those fields;
- (d) accredit, in accordance with criteria and procedures adopted by the Council, organizations in Canada engaged in standards formulation, testing and certification in those fields, and maintain a register of such organizations and of their standards marks;
- (e) approve standards in those fields submitted by organizations accredited by the Council as national standards where appropriate, and maintain an index of approved standards;
- (f) provide for the identification and evaluation of the need for new standards, revisions to existing standards and additional testing and certification services in those fields, and arrange for that need to be satisfied
 - (i) by obtaining the cooperation of organizations accredited by the Council to engage in standards formulation, testing and certification, and
 - (ii) where that need cannot be satisfied in the manner described in subparagraph (i), by promoting the establishment or utilization of new or other organizations for that purpose;
- (g) establish and register under the *Trade Marks Act* its own standards marks in those fields and, subject to that Act and in accordance with any agreement or arrangement between the Council and any organization accredited by it respecting the use of such marks in relation to standards formulated by that organization, authorize and regulate their use;"