

government bodies apply the following provisions to products originating in the territories of other Parties:

- 5.1.1 imported products shall be accepted for testing under conditions no less favourable than those accorded to like domestic or imported products in a comparable situation;
- 5.1.2 the test methods and administrative procedures for imported products shall be no more complex and no less expeditious than the corresponding methods and procedures, in a comparable situation for like products of national origin or originating in any other country;
- 5.1.3 any fees imposed for testing imported products shall be equitable in relation to any fees chargeable for testing like products of national origin or originating in any other country;
- 5.1.4 the results of tests shall be made available to the exporter or importer or their agents, if requested, so that corrective action may be taken if necessary;
- 5.1.5 the siting of testing facilities and the selection of samples for testing shall not be such as to cause unnecessary inconvenience for importers, exporters or their agents;
- 5.1.6 the confidentiality of information about imported products arising from or supplied in connection with such tests shall be respected in the same way as for domestic products.

5.2 However, in order to facilitate the determination of conformity with technical regulations and standards where such positive assurance is required, Parties shall ensure, whenever possible, that their central government bodies:

accept test results, certificates or marks of conformity issued by relevant bodies in the territories of other Parties; or rely upon self-certification by producers in the territories of other Parties;

even when the test methods differ from their own, provided they are satisfied that the methods employed in the territory of the exporting Party provide a sufficient means of determining conformity with the relevant technical regulations or standards. It is recognized that prior consultations may be necessary in order to arrive at a mutually satisfactory understanding regard-