

Accreditation Facilitates Export of Epidemic Prevention Products – China's Experience

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After the break of COVID-19 pandemic in 2020, there had been fast-growing demands on China manufactured anti-epidemic products including facemasks, protective gloves, protective suits and other personal protective equipment.



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The State Council Information Office of the People's Republic of China June 2020 *"From March 1 to May 31, China exported protective materials to 200 countries and regions, among which there were more than 70.6 billion masks, 340 million protective suits, 115 million pairs of goggles, 96,700 ventilators, 225 million test kits, and 40.29 million infrared thermometers."*

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EU Standa	ard	China Standard
EN 149:2001 + A1:2009 Respindevices - Filtering half masks particles - Requirements, test	to protect against	GB 2626-2006 Respiratory protective equipment – Non- powered air-purifying particle respirator
EN 14683:2019 Medical facemasks and test methods		YY/T 0969-2013 Single-use medical face mask
	acemasks - Requirements	YY 0469-2011 Surgical mask
		GB 19083-2010 Technical requirements for protective face mask for medical use



Regulation (EU) 2016/425 on personal protective equipment



Regulation (EU) 2017/745 on medical devices

Commission Recommendation (EU) 2020/403 of 13 March 2020 on conformity assessment and market surveillance procedures within the context of the COVID-19 threat

- CNAS published the list of accredited testing laboratories for facemasks and other protective products, and EA immediately published a link to this CNAS list on its website.
- CNAS developed a paper illustrating the relations between relevant technical requirements in China and foreign standards, and sent it EA and other foreign accreditation bodies.
- From March to June 2020, CNAS received more than 500 enquiries from 37 countries, involving more than 700 test reports, mostly for facemasks, and CNAS assigned dedicated staff to timely respond to all the enquiries and provide all necessary assistance we can.

