

Security Trade Control

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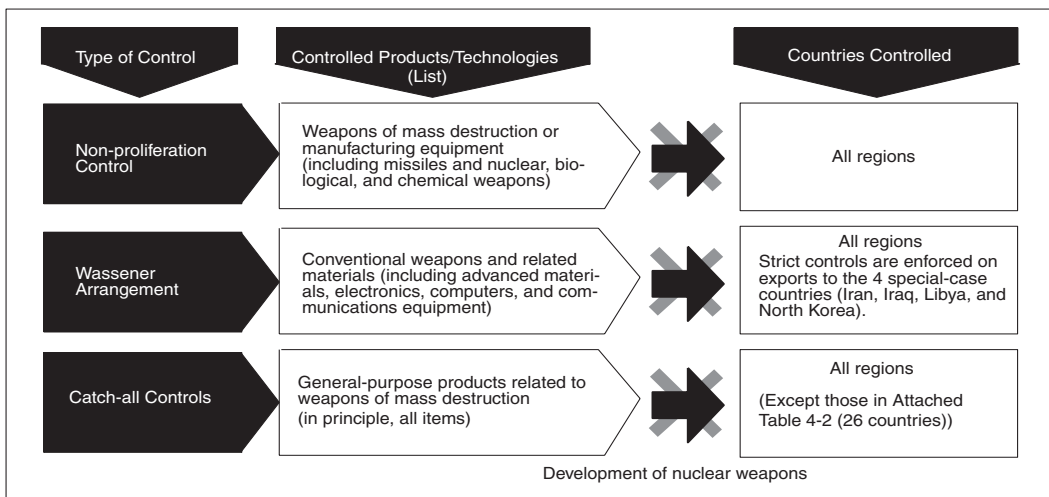
■ Purpose of the Export Controls

To preserve free trade and global security, it is necessary to prevent the proliferation, development, and production of weapons of mass destructions such as nuclear weapons, biological/chemical weapons, and missile systems. It is also necessary to prevent the accumulation of large amounts of conventional weapons or weapons-related materials to prevent regional disputes.

■ Contents of the Export Controls

The following chart provides a simple summary of export controls.

The 3 Export Controls



■ Laws, Ordinances, and Regulations Related to Export Controls

With respect to the Foreign Exchange Laws (Foreign Exchange and Foreign Trade Laws), etc., it is necessary to obtain approval from the Ministry of Economy, Trade, and Industry when exporting (or providing to a non-resident) any products or technologies* that require approval. If the product or technology is exported without approval or inappropriately, an individual will be charged with a criminal offense and a business will be subject to public penalties as outlined below.

Note: The Export Regulations (Export Exchange Regulations), Foreign Exchange Regulations, and related laws and ordinances specify which products and technologies require approval for export.

Laws, Ordinances, and Regulations



■ Catch-all Controls

Catch-all controls is the general terms used for export controls that apply to the export of all products and technologies when 1) it is known that they will be used for the development or manufacture of weapons of mass destruction or 2) the government has informed an individual or business of such use. Catch-all controls are replacing the previous list controls.

Catch-all controls were implemented in Japan on April 1, 2002. Refer to the following websites for further information.

- Ministry of Economy, Trade, and Industry: <http://www.meti.go.jp/policy/anpo/index.html>
- CISTEC (Center for Information on Security Trade Control): <http://www.cistec.or.jp>

■ Compliance with the Regulations

As a corporate citizen of Japan and the global community, OMRON has established a Compliance Program to assure compliance with the regulations outlined above in order to help maintain free trade and global security. We have also planned a training course on export controls. OMRON determines whether each of its products is subject to export controls and carefully controls transactions so that OMRON products are not exported inappropriately.

■ Request to Customers

When exporting goods that require export approval, always obtain approval from an Official of the Ministry of Economy, Trade, and Industry. When dealing with products that are subject to export controls, take precautions to prevent incorrect exportation even when the products are resold.

When exporting a controlled product, check the final application and end user to verify that the product will not be used in a weapon-related application such as a weapon itself or weapons research.

Furthermore, always verify that the OMRON product will not be used in any case in a nuclear weapon, missile, chemical weapon, other weapon, or equipment used to manufacture these weapons.

The limitations described above will be submitted to OMRON or an OMRON sales representative as an approval form or contract, so please fully understand and comply with these procedures.

If you have any questions, please contact your OMRON representative for further details. These security procedures are based on domestic Japanese laws and apply to exports from Japan.