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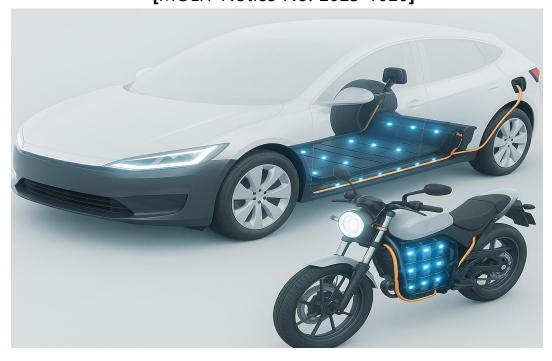


■ ICR Designated as Korea's First "Traction Battery Safety Performance Testing Institution"

ICR Co., Ltd. (ICR)'s Pyeongtaek Battery Testing Center received "Certificate No. 1 of Designation as a Safety Performance Testing Institution for Core Devices" from the Ministry of Land, Infrastructure and Transport on August 8, 2025.

The core device covered by this designation is **the traction battery**, and the Center has been officially designated as **a safety performance testing institution** pursuant to Article 30-8(3)1 of the Motor Vehicle Management Act and Article 40-22(5) and (7) of its Enforcement Rule.

[MOLIT Notice No. 2025-1020]



■ MOLIT Official Letter & Safety Performance Testing Institution Certificate of Designation



■ The importance of Traction Batteries and Safety

Traction batteries are electrical energy storage devices that power the drive motors of electric vehicles and two-wheeled vehicles. As demand for electric vehicles continues to grow, ensuring battery safety is becoming a critical requirement. Accordingly, the government is enacting and enforcing relevant laws to ensure the use of only batteries with proven safety.

■ Legislative Revisions and ICR's Proactive Response

The Ministry of Land, Infrastructure and Transport introduced mandatory self-certification of safety performance testing for drivetrain batteries starting in August 2023. Subsequently, through a revision on February 18, 2025, it was stipulated that, starting in 2026, only testing institutions designated under Article 40-22 of the Enforcement Decree of the Automobile Management Act will be required to conduct standard testing.

The ICR Pyeongtaek Battery Testing Center responded swiftly to regul atory changes, meeting the legal requirements ahead of other testing centers and securing its status as Korea's first designated testing institution.

■ Test Items and Scope of Services

ltems	Vehicle	Two-Wheel Vehicle	Note
Over-charge	0	0	
Over-discharge	0	0	
Over-temperature	0	0	
Over-current	0	0	
External short circuit	0	0	
Drop	0	0	
Water immersion	-	0	Vehicle Battery Approval Expected in Q3 2025
Fire resistance	0	0	
Vibration	0	0	
Thermal shock	0	0	
Mechanical shock	-	N/A	Vehicle battery 'shock' item to be outsourced
Mechanical integrity	0	N/A	

[The ICR Battery Testing Center]

Additional testing areas and responses

Vehicle Submersion Testing

Testing facilities are currently under construction, and additional accreditation is expected in Q3 2025.

Vehicle Impact Testing

Under Appendix 1-48 ("Drive Battery Safety Tests") of the Detailed Enforcement Regulations of the Standards for Performance of Motor Vehicles and Auto Parts, testing must be performed using either (1) a drop test or (2) an impact/crush test. Most clients currently select the drop test. Impact/crush testing is available through a partner laboratory if preferred.

inquiries related to battery testing

Although mandatory certification will begin in 2026, conducting tests at ICR—a government-designated institution—even during the grace period can enhance product reliability and maximize marketing impact.

For all inquiries related to battery testing, including traction battery safety performance tests, please feel free to contact ICR at any time.

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FCC PROPOSES SPECTRUM REGULATIONS TO SUPPORT ADVANCED AVIATION TECHNOLOGIES • Enable the use of the 450 MHz band for amnaned aviation operations. • Permit the use of the 24.45-24.65 GHz for drone detection and tracking • Modernize regulations related to the 849-851 MHz and 894-896 MHz bands currently used for in-flight connectivity

Overview

- The Federal Communications Commission (FCC) has proposed the following measures to advance next-generation aviation technologies.
- 1) Authorize the use of the 450 MHz band to support advanced aviation operations
- 2) Permit the use of the 24.45–24.65 GHz band for drone detection.
- 3) Update FCC regulations related to the 849–851 MHz and 894–896 MHz bands currently allocated for in-flight connectivity.

Key Details

❖ FCC Announcement

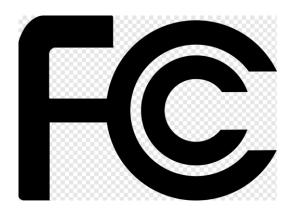
The FCC announced its intent to revise spectrum regulations to facilitate the rapid development of both manned and unmanned advanced aviation technologies.

- FCC Chairwoman Jessica Rosenworcel stated:
 - "Today's decision on advanced aviation mobility will enhance the accessibility, convenience, and efficiency of passenger and cargo transportation in the future."
- She further emphasized:
 - "This also means that, in emergency situations such as the California wildfires, these technologies could be deployed to deliver personnel and supplies into hard-to-reach areas, inspect critical infrastructure in disaster zones, and support first responders in search and rescue operations."

Advanced Aviation Mobility Systems

Advanced aviation mobility systems enable both piloted and unmanned operations, including remote control and automated technologies.

- These systems are designed to connect regional air traffic with the national airspace, providing greater accessibility and supporting services such as urban–airport shuttles, large-scale cargo transport, and passenger mobility solutions.
- The Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NPRM) also highlights wireless communication technologies, including:
- Command and control for flight operations.
- Reliable in-flight broadband connectivity for passengers.
- Drone detection and monitoring systems to safeguard sensitive airspace.



[FCC Marking]

❖ NPRM Proposals

The NPRM outlines the following regulatory updates:

- Open the 450 MHz band for aviation command and control, establish a single nationwide license, and adopt flexible licensing, operational, and technical rules to ensure robust utilization across multiple altitudes while minimizing interference.
- Expand the use of the 24.45–24.65 GHz band to support drone detection and geolocation operations.
- Modernize FCC regulations governing the 849–851 MHz and 894–896 MHz bands, which are currently applied to commercial aviation ground-to-air systems.

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ISO 9001:2025 Revision Progres



■ ISO 9001:2025 Draft Revision Released

The International Organization for Standardization (ISO) has released the draft revision of the international standard for quality management systems, ISO 9001, with the aim of publication in 2025. ISO 9001 is currently the most influential quality management standard, adopted by over 1 million organizations in more than 170 countries worldwide.

ISO 9001:2025 Revision Progres

This revision is not merely a document revision, but a qualitative innovation that reflects changes in the global business environment and the trends toward ESG and digital transformation.

The main focus is on sustainability, advanced risk-based thinking, expanded stakeholder participation, and harmonized structure with other management system standards.

In particular, through this revision, ISO aims to expand quality management beyond product and service management to include sustainable growth strategies for organizations.

This means that companies will go beyond simply complying with quality standards to expand the scope of quality management to include environmental and social responsibility (ESG) and long-term trust, presenting new management standards and opportunities for companies.

ISO 9001:2025 Revision Progress

Publication Schedule and Progress

- 1) April 2024: Release of the first committee draft (Committee Draft 1,CD-1) and submission to the ISO TC 176 committee
- 2) March 2025: Completion of comments on the second committee draft (CD-2)
- 3) May 20, 2025: ISO Technical Committee (TC 176/SC 2/WG 29), resolution of comments on Clause 10 and start of discussion on Clause 8.5
- 4) Current stage: Draft International Standard (DIS) in progress
- 5) Future schedule: Approximately 12-week public ballot procedure scheduled.

Revision Direction and Expected Major Changes

Although the detailed provisions have not yet been officially finalized, industry experts anticipate that the following changes will be reflected.

Enhanced risk management:

- Clearer distinction between risks and opportunities.
- More proactive risk-based thinking throughout processes.

Greater stakeholder participation:

- Broader definition of interested parties and their needs.
- Stronger link to customer satisfaction and supply chain relationships.

Stronger Integration of Sustainability & ESG:

- More explicit requirements to consider environmental and social impacts.
- Links to ISO 14001 (Environmental Management) and ESG reporting trends.

ISO 9001:2025 Revision Progress

Emphasis on Leadership and Ethical Management:

- Expanding the role of top management with stronger ethical responsibilities.

Application of Harmonized Structure:

- Improved alignment with other management system standards.

Key Points

The revision of ISO 9001:2025 goes beyond the maintenance and management of a quality management system and **strengthens sustainable management and trust with stakeholders.** Our company also needs to understand these changes in advance and proactively review our internal systems and processes.

Conclusion

ICR will continuously monitor the progress of the ISO 9001 revision and promptly share any new details as soon as they are announced. It is essential to obtain information and prepare in advance before the revised standard is officially published to ensure a smooth transition.

ICR System Certification Center will continue to do our best to support our clients in achieving continuous quality excellenc.

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- Extruders and extrusion lines

- **■** Each country's policy to expand plastic recycling.
 - ❖ EU: 0.8€ per kg plastic 稅 will be introduced for non-recyclable plastic packaging from 2021, while Italy and Spain will introduce separate taxes.
 - Disposable Plastic Guidelines Require Plastic Bottles to contain at least 25% recycled raw materials by 2025 and 30% by 2030.
- ❖ US: California Bill 793 calls for more than 50% recycled raw materials to be used in plastic beverage containers by 2030.
- ❖ UK: to apply 200 pounds per tonne tax on plastic packaging using less than 30% recycled raw materials from 2022.
- ❖ France: 100% increase in EPR fees when using non-recyclable raw materials, 50% reduction in EPR fees when using 15% recycled raw materials for textiles and shoes, etc.

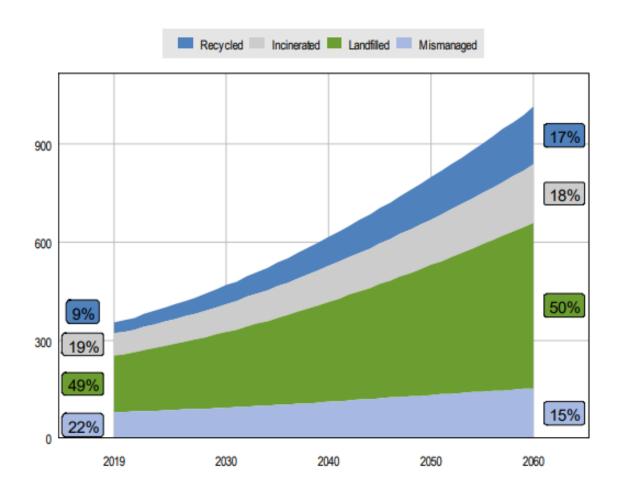
[Source of data: Republic of Korea's representative office]



Plastics and rubber machines

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■ As such, the demand for reprocessing plastic and rubber is increasing.



[Source of data: OECD Global Plastics Outlook]

Plastics and rubber machines

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Application of equipment

- Hopper
- Single Roller Feed
- Double Roller Feed
- Cramer Feeder



[Hopper]

Auxiliaries that are configured or attached

- screen changer
- Melt/Gear Pump
- Melt pipes and adapters
- a static mixer
- Extruder head that gives the extruded material its initial shape

■ Section 5: Safety Requirements and Protective Measures.

- Safety requirements and protective measures of the regulations.
 - ElectricalMechanical danger
 - energy
 - A temperature hazard
 - Noise
 - Processed/used substances

- Fire danger
- Senior Job Location
- Human engineering
- An emergency stop





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■ Safety measures required and PL grades required accordingly.

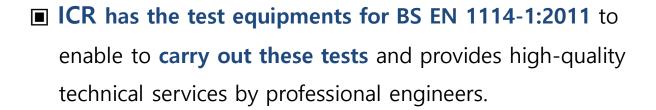
Component	Anticipated Hazard	Required Safety Measures	PL Rating (EN ISO 13849-1)
Main feed opening	Falling	Fixed or interlocked feeding system e.g. hopper, crammer feeder	PL r = c
Hopper	Falling	Interlock device e.g. door or movable cover	PL r = c
Single Roller Feed	Entanglement, Abrasion	Interlock device or hold-to-run control	PL r = c
Double Roller Feed	Entanglement, Abrasion	Interlock device, two-hand control	PL r = c
Crammer Feeder	Falling	Fixed guard by design or interlocked guard	PL r = c
Overload Protectio n(Pressure/Position Monitoring)	Explosion	Mechanical protection or system for pressure/position monitoring	PL r = c
Auto Screen Changer	Entanglement, Collision	Interlocked guard	PL r = c
Melt/Gear Pump	Explosion	Fixed guard and internal pressure protection	Additionally, must be protected by pressure and position monitoring systems designed in accordance with
Melt Pipe & Adapter	Explosion	Internal design	
Static Mixer	Explosion	Internal design	EN ISO 13849-1, PL r = c
Extruder Head	High Temperature	Interlock guard and hold-to-run or two-hand control	PL r = c (interlock) PL r = b (hold-to-run)
Machine Traversing Movement	Entanglement, Collision	Hold-to-run control or position-protective interlock system	PL r = c

x refer to

- * PL r = c: Classes required by the medium risk group of common industrial machinery.
- * PL r = b: Used under relatively low risk or limited access conditions.
- * If anything not mentioned other than the items mentioned is usually addressed by design or physical guard.

Plastics and rubber machines





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