

At **CANADIAN ENGRAVERS SUPPLY COMPANY** all of the equipment we sell is electrically certified for legal use in Canada. For specific equipment we may be required to modify electrical devices to bring the machine to acceptable use in Canada. This modification and certification process increases the cost which may be reflected in the selling price. Your safety as well as the legal requirements are assured.

### **CSA REQUIREMENT FOR SELLING EQUIPMENT IN CANADA**

It is generally illegal to sell, display, or advertise electrical equipment in Canada that is not certified by a recognized certification body (such as CSA, cUL, or cETL). Provincial laws, like the Ontario Electrical Safety Code, mandate that all electrical products have approved certification to ensure they meet safety standards.

Key details regarding the sale of electrical equipment:

- **Approval Required:** All electrical equipment, including plug-in devices and appliances, must be approved for safety.
- **Accepted Marks:** Products must feature the "c" mark (e.g., CSA, cUL), indicating they are certified to Canadian standards.
- **Exceptions:** Exceptions are limited and include specific items like portable battery-operated equipment or certain items permitted to be displayed at trade shows.
- **Consequences:** Selling unapproved equipment can lead to fines, product seizure by inspectors, or refusal of insurance coverage.
- **Second-hand Rules:** Safety regulations apply to used products as well.

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If you are buying or selling, it is essential to ensure the item has the correct certification mark.

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### **CSA REQUIREMENT FOR USING EQUIPMENT IN CANADA**

Using non-CSA-approved (or non-equivalent SCC-accredited) electrical equipment is generally illegal in Canada. Provincial laws and the Canadian Electrical Code require approved equipment for installations. Fines for using unapproved electrical items can exceed \$50,000 for individuals, and up to \$1,000,000 for corporations.

#### **Key Details on Electrical Equipment Safety:**

- **Approval Requirement:** Products must have a recognized certification mark (e.g., CSA, cUL, cETL).
- **Exceptions:** Portable battery-operated equipment and some devices connected to Class 2 power supplies may be exempt.
- **Risks:** Using unapproved equipment can cause failed inspections, void insurance coverage, and pose significant safety risks.
- **Enforcement:** Provincial safety authorities (like the ESA in Ontario) can seize, seal, or demand removal of unapproved equipment.

#### **What to do:**

If you have purchased equipment that lacks a recognized Canadian mark, you must have it evaluated by a field evaluation agency. For a full list of acceptable certification marks, visit the [Government of Canada electrical products page](#) or your provincial authority, such as [Nova Scotia's electrical safety site](#) or the ESA's list of recognized marks.

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