

# NIS



## Guidelines for Green Procurement

NIS-E-0403



## Definition of NIS

NEC Corporation Industrial Standards (NIS) are the standards commonly used by NEC and its affiliate companies (hereafter “the NEC group”).

The NIS is classified into established "rules" which must be complied with unless when rational grounds exist, and "guidelines" that describe appropriate instructions.

## Information on this NIS

Guidelines for Green Procurement (Fifth Edition) has been prepared by the NEC NIS Office after reviewed by Eco-products Promotion Working Group organized by NEC Corporation Environment and Total Quality Management Department, reviewed by the NEC NIS Council , and then reported and authorized to and by the General Manager of Supply Chain Management & Strategy Department.

## Periodical review of this NIS

These guidelines are subject to change in order to coincide with revisions in the Japanese version.

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\* The former [NIS-E-0403: Rules for Green Procurement] was renamed to [NIS-E-0403: Guidelines for Green Procurement]. Documents citing the former [NIS-E-0403: Rules for Green Procurement] shall cite this standard and replace the name at the next revision.



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## 1. Scope of Application

### 1.1 Products in Scope of Application

These guidelines apply to all the products and materials in scope of the Referenced Standards [**KANKANTSU 04-006** : Environmental Specifications Pertaining to Procurement Restrictions for the Inclusion of Chemical Substances in Products] by NEC Group.

## 2. Purpose

Purpose of these guidelines is to clarify compliances related to environment which should be considered while selecting the products (including finished products and parts) to be procured by NEC Group.

## 3. Referenced Standards

A part of these guidelines is constituted by taking references from the below mentioned standards.

### NEC Corporation Document

**CHOUSHI 2022-01** : Guidelines for Responsible Business Conduct in Supply Chains  
**KANKANTU 04-006** : Environmental Specifications Pertaining to Procurement Restrictions for the Inclusion of Chemical Substances in Products

**RENCHOUKI No. B-5, CHOUKI No. C-7** : Guidelines for green certification and cancellation of certification when registering new suppliers

## 4. Definition of Terms

Definitions of key terms used in these rules are as follows **a)** to **d)**.

### a) Green Procurement Products

Articles such as materials and parts of the companies which consider reducing the environmental impact throughout the life cycle of the products and are actively working on the environmental conservation.

### b) Green Procurement

To procure the Green Procurement Products

### c) Green Approval

Refers to the Green Approval specified in the Referenced Standards [**RENCHOUKI No. B-5, CHOUKI No. C-7**]

### d) Environmental Impact

To cause deterioration of the environmental quality (such as Natural resources, the atmosphere, water, the soil) permanently or temporarily.

## 5. Selection Criteria

In principle, the selection of products to be procured by the NEC Group shall be based on the condition that the business partners comply with the referenced standards [**KANKANTSU 04-006**: Environmental Specifications Pertaining to Procurement Restrictions for the Inclusion of Chemical Substances in Products] and/or the section (V: Environmental Requirements) of referenced standards [**CHOUSHI 2022-01**: Guidelines for Responsible Business Conduct in Supply Chains].

However, those products for which selection criteria for green procurement is stipulated as individual specifications in documents such as contracts, memo, purchase specifications, etc., such stipulations shall apply.

**Example** Example of statement to be mentioned in purchase specifications or drawings for setting compliance by supplier as the selection criteria.

This article shall not contain prohibited substances and conditionally prohibited substances as specified by NEC. For details refer to “Environmental Specifications Pertaining to Procurement Restrictions for the Inclusion of Chemical Substances in Products.” (**KANKANTU 04-006**).



## Commentary

### 1. How the standard (NIS) was established

Commentary and list of the members of the study group of this NIS has been omitted.  
For details, refer to the Japanese version of this NIS.