



Dr. Frank Huber presenting the equipment to Prof. Agyei. With him is Mr. John Ohipani, Dr. Awal Mohammed, Mr. Samuel Abdulai Jabanyite, Mad. Barbara Wuttor and other GSA officials

GHACEM Donates Key Cement Testing Equipment to GSA

On Thursday, November 6, 2025, the GSA received key technical Cement Testing Equipment from GHACEM to augment the work of its Cement Testing Laboratory.

The donation further strengthens the longstanding relationship enjoyed between the two institutions and is a follow-up on a promise made by GHACEM to support the Authority with some equipment needs.

At a brief ceremony to present the equipment, the Managing Director of GHACEM Ghana Ltd., Dr. Frank Huber, noted that his outfit recognizes the difficult job the GSA is involved in and is committed to supporting the Authority.

“We recognize your important job at hand at GSA, and we see you as partners. You can rely on us to support your worthy cause whenever we can,” Dr. Huber said.

The Director-General (DG), Professor George Agyei, for his part, expressed the Authority’s appreciation to the GHACEM for the gesture, stating that the donation represents the institution’s commitment to supporting state agencies in achieving their mandate.

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To become a customer-focused world-class standards organisation.

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To contribute towards the growth of industry, protect consumers and facilitate trade through standardisation, metrology and conformity assessment.

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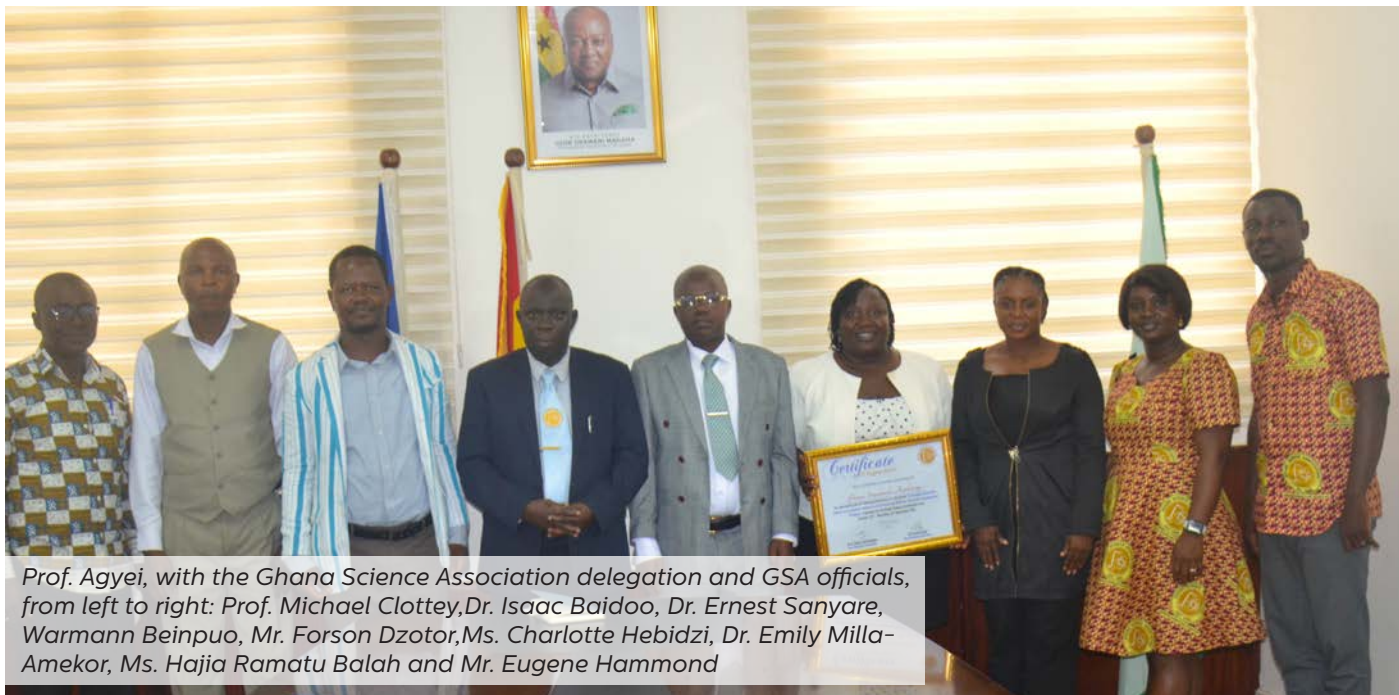
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“GHACEM has been the yardstick in the Ghanaian cement industry. We appreciate this gesture, and we promise we’ll take good use of the equipment and put them to prudent use. We’ll continue working together to achieve a standardised industry,” Prof Agyei said.

The GHACEM delegation also used the opportunity to congratulate and welcome the new GSA administration and pledged its cooperation and support to achieving great things.







Prof. Agyei, with the Ghana Science Association delegation and GSA officials, from left to right: Prof. Michael Clotney, Dr. Isaac Baidoo, Dr. Ernest Sanyare, Warmann Beinpuo, Mr. Forson Dzotor, Ms. Charlotte Hebidzi, Dr. Emily Milla-Amekor, Ms. Hajia Ramatu Balah and Mr. Eugene Hammond

Ghana Science Association National, Accra Branch Executives Visit Director-General

On Tuesday, November 4, 2025, the National Secretariat, together with the Greater Accra Branch of the Ghana Science Association, visited the Director-General (DG) of GSA, Prof. George Agyei, to congratulate him on his appointment as the new DG and express the association's appreciation for the Authority's support during its 34th Biennial Conference.

The meeting also sought to strengthen the longstanding relationship both institutions have enjoyed over the years.

The team from the Ghana Science Association was represented by Mr. Forson Dzotor, Scientific Coordinator, Ms. Hajia Ramatu Balah, Senior Scientific Administration

Officer; Eugene Hammond, Marketing/Procurement Officer; Dr. Ernest Sanyare Warmann Beinpuo, Honorary Branch President; Dr. Isaac Baidoo, Honorary Branch Secretary; Dr. Emily Milla-Amekor Honorary, Branch Treasurer; Ms. Charlotte Hebidzi, President GSA Scientific Staff Association and Prof. Michael Clotney former Technical Head of the Medical Physiology Department, University of Ghana Medical school

Dr. Ernest Sanyare Warmann Beinpuo firstly, expressed the associations congratulations to Prof. Agyei on his appointment and assured him of their support as he takes up his new role.

Mr. Dzotor also stated that the association was glad to be part of the GSA and was grateful for the Authority's support for its Biennial Conference over the years.

Prof. Agyei, on his part, noted that his outfit was proud to be associated with such a prestigious institution and appealed to them to assist the GSA come up with a scientific journal that will publish articles and scientific papers of staff which will help project the image of the institution.

"The GSA as a scientific body is proud to be associated with your association. Science is very integral in what we do here, and we won't succeed if we don't partner institutions such as yours. Please help us

establish a scientific journal to project the good works of our staff which will go a long way to support economic and industrial growth of the country,” Prof. Agyei noted.

He also revealed that his administration will continue to support staff to take on higher education especially in the “STEM” areas to help improve the work.

Ms. Charlotte Hebidzi, the Scientific Staff Association president in a brief remark informed the DG that a staff of the Authority, Dr. Emily Milla-Amekor had been elected to the Greater Accra Branch leadership, and that staff are very proud of her and will always call on him for support for their activities.





Prof. Agyei in a group photograph with Bro. John Sampah (fifth from right), Comfort Hansen and other GSA Union executives

Director-General Receives PSWU National Executives

A delegation of the National Executives of the Public Services Workers' Union (PSWU) on Tuesday, November 4, 2025, paid a visit to the Director-General, Prof. George Agyei to congratulate him on his appointment and pledge their support to work with the new administration.

The PSWU delegation was led by Brother John Nii Donu Sampah, the Deputy General Secretary who on behalf of the national leadership expressed their willingness to work and cooperate with the new management to improve the conditions of staff and move GSA forward.

“We want to congratulate you on your appointment and wish you well as you

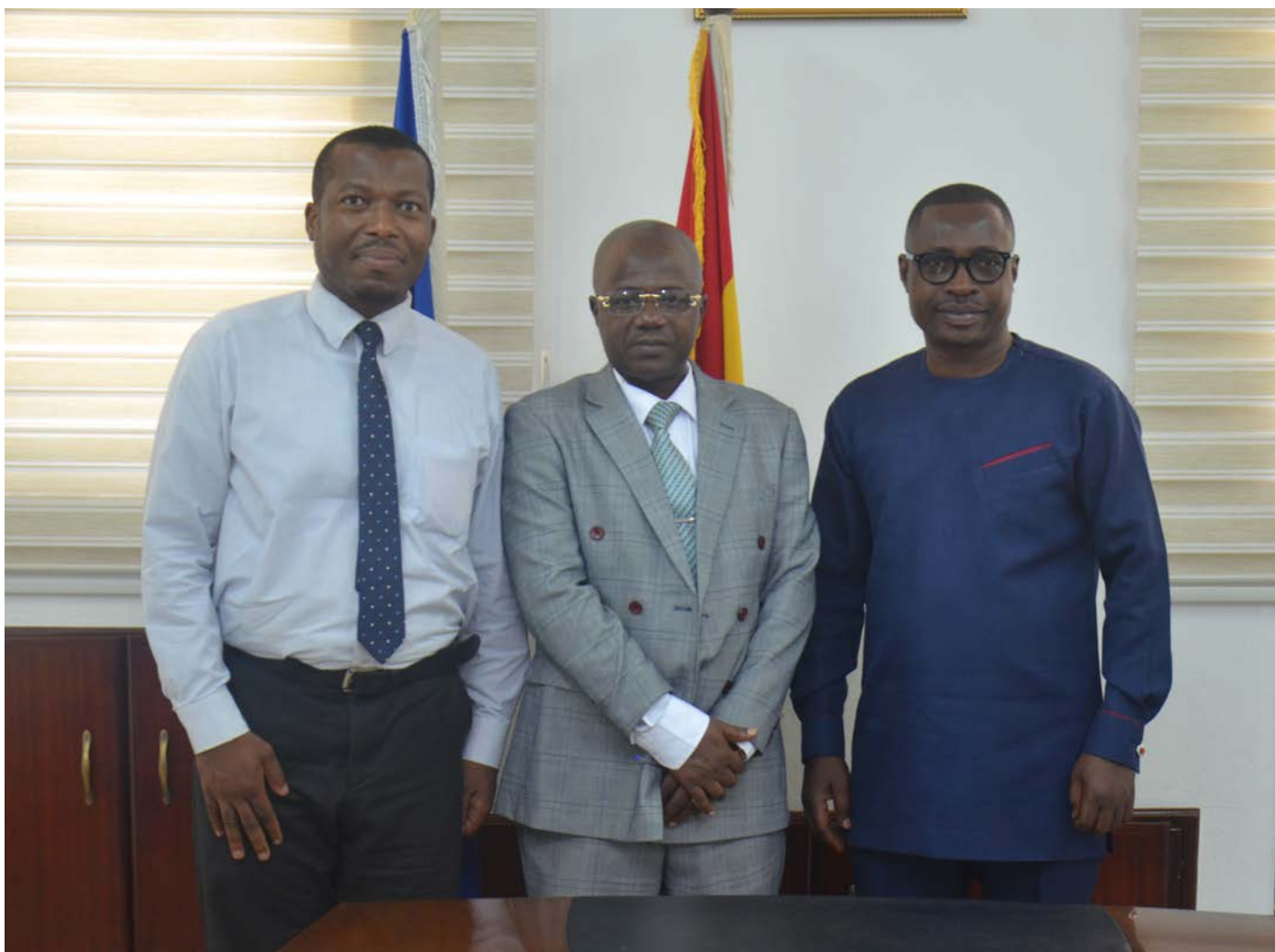
take on this task of promoting standards. We are here for peace, and we want to assure you we will work with you to move the Authority forward,” he stated.

He went further to enumerate some concerns which included the revision of the collective Bargaining Agreement, a discussion of the Authority's scheme of service as well as other related matters. He noted that these matters were very key issues that had to be discussed to improve the conditions of GSA staff.

Prof. Agyei on his part was grateful to the PSWU for their congratulations and noted that he stands for peace and is looking forward to working with them.

He said as part of his objective, working with the union to enhance industrial peace is key and he will be having frequent interactions and discussions with them to improve the conditions of staff.

He appealed to them to work cordially with him and assured them that his doors are always open for further deliberations.





Group photograph of newly elected Accra Branch executives and GSA staff (Dr. Milla-Amekor 3rd from left)

GSA's Dr. Emily Milla-Amekor Joins Ghana Science Association Accra Branch Executives as Treasurer

The Ghana Science Association (GSA), Accra Branch, held its handing-over ceremony on Tuesday, November 4, 2025, at the GSA National Secretariat to inaugurate newly elected executives who will steer the affairs of the branch for the next term.

The new leadership team includes Dr. Ernest Sanyare Warmann Beinpuo (Branch President), Dr. Isaac Baidu (Branch Secretary), and Dr. Emily Milla-Amekor (Branch Treasurer), with Dr. Elmer Ametefe serving as the National Branch Treasurer.

The Ghana Standards Authority (GSA) was represented by Ms. Charlotte Hebidzi, President

of the Scientific Staff Association, and Ms. Doreen Agi Gyau Koranteng, Head of the Codex Office, who attended in support of Dr. Emily Milla-Amekor, a staff member of the Authority.

Dr. Milla-Amekor also serves as the new Programme Coordinator for The Horizon Talk Show on GHOne TV, a long-standing over 7-year STEM promotion partnership between the Ghana Science Association and GHOne TV.

The outgoing Branch President, Dr. Thomas Tagoe, reflected on the branch's achievements and encouraged the new executives to continue promoting collaboration,

innovation, and scientific excellence.

The incoming Branch President, Dr. Ernest Sanyare Warmann Beinpuo, outlined his vision to strengthen the branch through inclusivity, innovation, and active member participation.

The event, highlighted by the symbolic transfer of official documents, featured remarks from Prof. Michael Osaе, former Honorary National President of the Ghana Science Association, who commended the Accra Branch for its continuous contribution to advancing science for national development.



Bono Regional Office Regional Manager Leads Delegation to Call on Dormaa MMDCEs

The Sunyani Regional Office of the GSA, comprising the Regional Manageress, Regional Verification Officer, and Administrator, have paid courtesy calls on the Municipal and District Chief Executives (MMDCEs) of Dormaa Central Municipality, Dormaa East District, and Dormaa West District. The visits took place in Dormaa Ahenkro, Wamfie, and Nkrankwanta, respectively.

The purpose of the visits was threefold:

1. To congratulate the Honorable Chief Executives—Mr. Dominic Adomah Ameyaw (Dormaa Central), Mr. King Osei Owusu (Dormaa East), and Mr. Stephen Azorba Awuni (Dormaa West)—on

their recent appointments, and to assure them of the Authority's continued support towards government's developmental agenda.

2. To follow up on the directive from the Bono Regional Minister concerning the mandatory verification and certification of all weighing scales used in the cashew trade across the region.
3. To strengthen collaboration with the MMDCEs to ensure effective implementation and compliance with the directive at the municipal and district levels.

During the engagements, the GSA team was warmly received by the Chief Executives, members of their Coordinating Councils,

and District Directors of Agriculture.

Discussions highlighted the critical importance of verifying weighing scales in accordance with the Ghana Standards Act, 2022 (Act 1078), which serves as a key quality control measure to promote fairness, transparency, and trust in the cashew value chain.

The team reiterated the Bono Regional Minister's call for all MMDCEs to work closely with the Ghana Standards Authority and relevant stakeholders to ensure that all trading scales used in the buying and selling of cashew nuts are duly verified and certified before the commencement of the season.



Hon. Dominic Ameyaw, MCE Dormaa Central making a point during the meeting Deputy Director, Collins Asare, Dormaa East with GSA officials

The Chief Executives were encouraged to facilitate communication and awareness campaigns on the verification exercise within their respective jurisdictions, support GSA teams administratively during the verification process, ensure local cashew buyers and aggregators comply fully with the directive and report instances of resistance or non-compliance for appropriate enforcement action.

In response, the MMDCEs expressed appreciation for the visit and reaffirmed their commitment to fostering a fair and transparent trading environment during the upcoming cashew season. They also proposed convening stakeholder meetings involving farmers, buyers, and traditional authorities to deepen sensitization and cooperation.





Group photograph of Mr. Lartey and other GSA and water manufacturing officials

Eastern Regional Office

GSA Conducts Inspections at Water Manufacturing Companies

As part of GSA's mandate to ensure safety and quality in the delivery of drinking water on the Ghanaian market, the Koforidua Office has conducted comprehensive factory inspections at Akosombo and Kpong Districts respectively, for product certification.

The inspection, carried out by officials from the Koforidua Regional Office, forms a critical component of GSA's regulatory activities. The exercise focused on verifying compliance with established standards of both companies, assessing production processes, evaluating quality assurance systems and ensuring that products meet both

national and international requirements.

At Akwaaba Spring Mineral Water Limited at Akosombo, manufacturers of bottled drinking water, the team assessed the production lines, focusing on hygiene standards, packaging accuracy, quality control, storage facilities and production line, with satisfactory remarks.

Subsequently, the inspection team visited Ghana Water Company Limited at Kpong Water Works, manufacturers of bottled water, bags of sachet water and dispenser bottles, to assess the company's production line,

hygienic practices, good manufacturing practices, as well as standard operating procedures.

These inspection forms a vital part of the Authority's mandate to ensure that products manufactured within the country meet national quality benchmarks and regulatory requirements. By continuously engaging manufacturers, the GSA promotes consumer safety, industrial excellence and national development through standardization.





GSA officials, Dr. Edward Kwabena Boakye, Mr. Eugene Antwi Nuamah, Ms. Patience Awotwe-Mensa, Mr. Bernard Okyere Baffour Asare in a picture with GEPA officials

Ashanti Regional Office

GSA, GEPA Discuss Institutional Collaboration

The Ghana Standards Authority (GSA) Kumasi Office's conformity assessment team, led by Dr. Edward Kwabena Boakye, with Mr. Eugene Antwi Nuamah, Ms. Patience Awotwe-Mensa, and Mr. Bernard Asare Baffour paid a visit to the Ghana Export Promotion Authority (GEPA) Kumasi Zonal Office on October 24, 2025.

The visit aimed to strengthen institutional collaboration and enhance service delivery to exporters. Ms. Linda Serwa Mensah and Ms. Ernestina Oppong Antwi represented GEPA during the meeting.

The visit was guided by four key objectives: to seek GEPA's support in encouraging exporters to

purchase and apply GSA's product standards; to explore avenues for increasing GSA's customer base among export-oriented businesses in the Ashanti Region; to identify collaborative initiatives that align with both GSA and GEPA's mandates of promoting quality assurance, export readiness, and market access; and to establish a

standing committee to plan and implement joint training and outreach programs for exporters.

GEPA agreed to integrate GSA's product standards into its exporter sensitization and capacity-building programs. GSA will provide sector-specific standards and simplified guides to support GEPA's outreach efforts. Additionally, GEPA will incorporate GSA's standards into its Export School curriculum and advisory services, and a joint checklist for export readiness, including standards compliance, will be developed.

It was also agreed that both institutions will co-host regional seminars, exhibitions, and trade fairs to raise awareness about standards and certification.

GEPA also agreed to share its exporter database with GSA to facilitate targeted marketing of standards and certification services. The agencies will collaborate on policy advocacy to promote a national culture of quality and compliance.

The two institutions decided that there should be a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) to formalize the collaboration.



Group photograph of GSA officials in a picture with some factory workers

Ashanti Regional Office

GSA Conducts Factory Monitoring to Assess Client Satisfaction and Promote Compliance

Representatives from the Planning, Monitoring, and Evaluation (PM&E) Unit of the Ashanti Regional Office, in October embarked on a factory monitoring exercise across selected companies in the Ashanti Region.

The Officers were Mr. Joseph Sarkodie Akaadom and Ms. Bridget Kwartemaa Apraku, together with two Trading Standards Inspectors (TSIs), Mr. Atta Owusu Boateng and Ms. Constance Shine Frimpong.

The main objective of the exercise was to assess client satisfaction with the

services provided by the Authority, gather feedback and complaints, and identify areas for improvement from clients' perspectives. The team also sought to verify that all previously identified non-conformities had been resolved.

During the visits, several companies expressed concerns about delays in calibration services and product certification. Many recommended that calibration activities be decentralized to enhance efficiency and reduce turn-around time. Despite these challenges, the

companies commended the professionalism, dedication, and cordial approach of GSA inspectors, highlighting their commitment to maintaining strong relationships with clients.

The monitoring team also noted that some non-conformities identified in previous inspections remain unresolved. Companies were encouraged to address these issues promptly to ensure continuous compliance and avoid potential sanctions.

Importantly, all companies visited welcomed the monitoring

exercise, expressing that such visits help promote accountability and adherence to regulatory standards.

The stakeholders emphasized that uninformed (unannounced) monitoring visits are particularly beneficial, as they motivate companies to consistently do the right thing and uphold best practices at all times.

To further assess client satisfaction, customer satisfaction survey forms were distributed and completed by the companies, providing valuable insights to guide future service improvements.

In total, the monitoring team visited 20 companies, including:

H.O.P Filtered Mineral Water, T.J. Ampo Enterprise, Adus Oil Mills Limited, Apex Global Limited, Nunyabeth Enterprise, Yaserkod Enterprise, Style and Glamour Enterprise, CBS Supreme Industries Limited, Dan Adu Agro Chemicals, K.M. City Ventures Limited, GH Life Limited, Adehye Nsuo Limited, Guinness Ghana Breweries Limited, Happy Fountain Limited, Mighty Fourth Enterprise, Adat Water Services, Wood Pillar Limited,

Agricare Limited, Eco-Me Limited, and Lawson Herbal, all being companies in Ashanti Region.

The stakeholders expressed appreciation to the GSA for the visit and encouraged that more of such engagements be undertaken regularly to strengthen collaboration, improve compliance, and enhance overall servicedelivery.







GS 1397:2025 – Audio Broadcasting – Minimum Technical Specifications of Digital Sound Broadcasting (DSB) Receivers in Ghana.

Scope:

This standard specifies the minimum requirements for fixed, mobile, and portable DAB+ receivers. It applies to devices capable of receiving terrestrially transmitted DAB+ digital radio services, including those that also receive other digital sound services via alternative delivery platforms.

The standard covers a wide range of receiver types, including personal, pocket, portable, and larger devices, as well as receivers integrated into other equipment, such as vehicles, mobile phones, and computers.

These devices are powered by mains electricity, dynamos, solar, batteries and/or a combination of any. These receivers feature various antenna configurations, including telescopic, flexible wire, headphone, or integrated antennas.

This standard also covers adaptors designed to add DAB+ digital radio capability to other devices. While the primary focus is on devices designed to receive DAB+ services, the standard also addresses certain aspects for adapting analogue FM radio receivers for DAB+ reception.

This standard also addresses the power rating of the DAB+ receivers.

This standard does not cover aspects related to the reception of services via alternative platforms such as the

internet and satellite. Further, it does not cover digital sound broadcasting reception on television sets, DVB decoders and computers. Also, this standard does not cover Digital Multimedia Broadcasting (DMB).

Why Do You Need This Standard?

Application of this standard by manufacturers ensures the production of safe and quality products, consistency in production output, protection of consumers' health and safety, enhanced competitiveness and reduction in losses.

Summary of Content:

This Ghana Standards provides the minimum requirements for Audio Broadcasting by providing information on normative references, terms and definitions, list of abbreviations and symbols, general requirements, minimum requirements for portable and domestic digital radio receivers, minimum requirements for in-vehicle digital radio receivers, minimum requirements for in-vehicle adaptors, health and safety requirements, electromagnetic compatibility (EMC), user information and accessories, casing and packaging, testing and certification requirements, compliance and annex.

Technical assistance is provided to enhance understanding of the standard content.

This standard is available for **REFERENCE** and **SALE** at the Documentation and Information Centre, The Head Office, Ghana Standards Authority.

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