

# ¿Is the CSA certification equivalent to UL??

THE CSA AND UL BRANDS serve to identify products that after laboratory test performed meet with electrical, mechanical or hydraulic standards in Canada and United States of America. Both brands identify products that have been tried under the same test standards, regardless of the laboratory that performed the tests. As much as CSA and UL are independent laboratories accredited by the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) like the Nationally Recognized Testing Laboratory in the USA (NRTL). Also CSA and UL have worked together to streamline the certification process. CSA and UL reached an agreement to offer a dual certification in wich a product can obtain UL and CSA approval from only one of the two laboratories. Through efforts such a these, CSA and UL have become widely used to certify products in both Canada and United States of America.

More information visit the website:  
<https://www.apgsesors.com/about-us/blog/csa-and-ul-marks>

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## **The advantage of accepting the CSAus brand**

Besides accepting the UL and CSAus brands has its advantages. Limiting a certification to a single laboratory unnecessarily limits products selection and diverts attention from price, brand and quality. On the other hand, requiring a product to be certified by any OSHA NRTL allows a wide selection of products while ensuring safety compliance.

## **What are the difference between brands certification and industrial products?**

Answer: Figure out the differences between many UL and CSA brands can be a bit confusing at times. While both apply to equipment standards in the USA and Canada, they aren't the same or interchangeable. More detailed information can be found on the UL and CSA websites. Both entities have a search database to obtain more information about specific tests performed on a product or what standards the product meets. Here is a brief guide on how make out in their uses and meanings as they apply to products.

**Underwriters Laboratories (www.ul.com)**



The UL brand on a product means that UL has tested and evaluated representative samples of that product and determined that it meets UL requirements. The tests are mainly based on UL Safety Standards. The brand is followed by identification information.




This brand indicates that the product was tested for UL and complies with Canadian standards through a special agreement between UL and CSA. The Canadian standards may be slightly different from US standards.



This brand indicates that the product was UL approved and complies with US and Canadian standards.



If you see the brand  on a product, you can be confident that it has complied with all applicable Canadian and US safety and operating standards.

**Canadian Standards Association (www.csagroup.org)**



The CSA brand means that product has been tested by CSA and complies with the applicable safety and standards performance in Canada. Also CSA test certify the standards published by ANSI, UL, NSF, and other standards editors.



The CSA brand with the initials US below indicates that the product was tested by CSA, under agreement with UL and is certified for use in the United States, in accordance with applicable standards.



The CSA brand with the initials C and below indicates that CSA approved the product, US under agreement with UL and its use is certified, both in Canada and US according to applicable standards.

For more information visit the website: <https://www.sprecherschuh.com/library/tech-docs/posts/2015/03/ul-csa-marks.html>