· The package of the rice cooker shall have the following markings:

ICC mark

Model, rated voltage, rated power and country of manufacture

Don't forget to look for the PS and ICC marks for safe and reliable rice cookers.

CERTIFIED Product Safety — BPS

PS mark

ICC QUALITY MARK — ICC No. YYYY/ MMYY

ICC mark

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Consumers' Guide

PRODUCT QUALITY AND SAFETY

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Product Types and Parts

- Rice cookers and/or rice warmers are appliances used for cooking rice and/or keeping cooked rice warm with the use of an electric heating unit.
- The common size of a rice cooker is from 1.0 liter to 10 liters.
- A rice cooker has the following parts and functions:

  - Outer pot (base) - the base unit or main body of the rice cooker
  - Inner pot (pan) - the pan where the rice is placed
  - Lid - the cover of the inner pan
  - Lid handle - the knob that holds the lid
  - Pilot light - lights that indicates the cooking operation (Rice Cooking or Keep Warm)
  - Cooker lever - the switch key of the cooker
  - Handle - the grip that holds the body of the rice cooker
  - Power supply cord - connects the rice cooker to the power source

Product for Mandatory Certification

- Rice cookers are regulated by the Department of Trade and Industry (DTI).
- Manufacturers and importers of rice cookers should apply for a Philippine Standard (PS) license and Import Commodity Clearance (ICC) certificate, respectively, before the proucts are distributed and sold.
- The DTI - Bureau of Product Standards (BPS) acquires a sample of the rice cooker for inspection and testing based on the Philippine National Standard (PNS) 255:1996 International Electrotechnical Commission (IEC) 335-2-15:1995.

Product with the PS or ICC Mark

- Only manufacturers and importers whose products passed the PNS requirements will be issued with the PS license and ICC certificate by the DTI-BPS.
- Only manufacturers and importers with valid licenses and certificates are allowed to use the PS and ICC marks on their products.

Product Labels Based on PNS 255:1996

The following are the required markings on the package of rice cookers based on the PNS 255:1996 (IEC 335-2-15:1995):

- Rated voltage or rated voltage range
- Symbol for nature of supply, unless rated frequency is marked
- Rated power inputs or rated current
- Name, trademark or identification mark of the manufacturer
- Model or type reference
- Symbol for Class II construction, Class II appliances only
- The number of standard used - PNS 255:1996
- IP number according to degree of protection against ingress of water other than IPXO
- PS mark for locally-produced rice cookers
- ICC mark for imported rice cookers

- A rice cooker shall be marked with the maximum level of immersion and with the substance of the following:

DO NOT IMMERSE BEYOND THIS LEVEL

- A rice cooker shall have a level mark or other means to indicate when they are filled to rated capacity, unless they cannot be filled beyond their rated capacity.

Product Visual Inspection

- The DTI-BPS enjoins the consumers to scrutinize the rice cooker they buy for product reliability and safety.
- A rice cooker shall be marked as the example below:

ICC mark

Brand, model, rated voltage, rated power