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# **Trans-Tasman Mutual Recognition Arrangement (TTMRA)**

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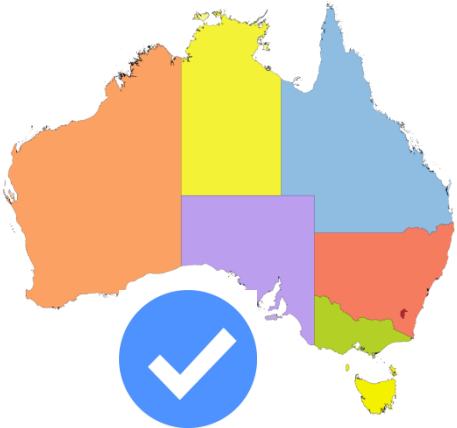
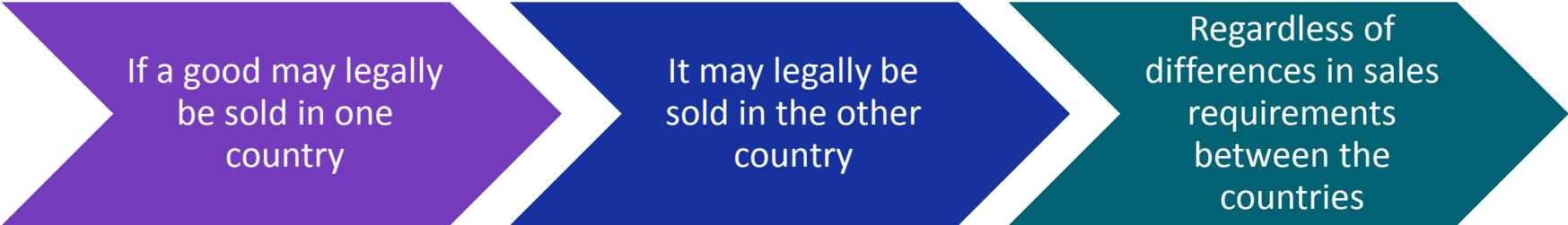
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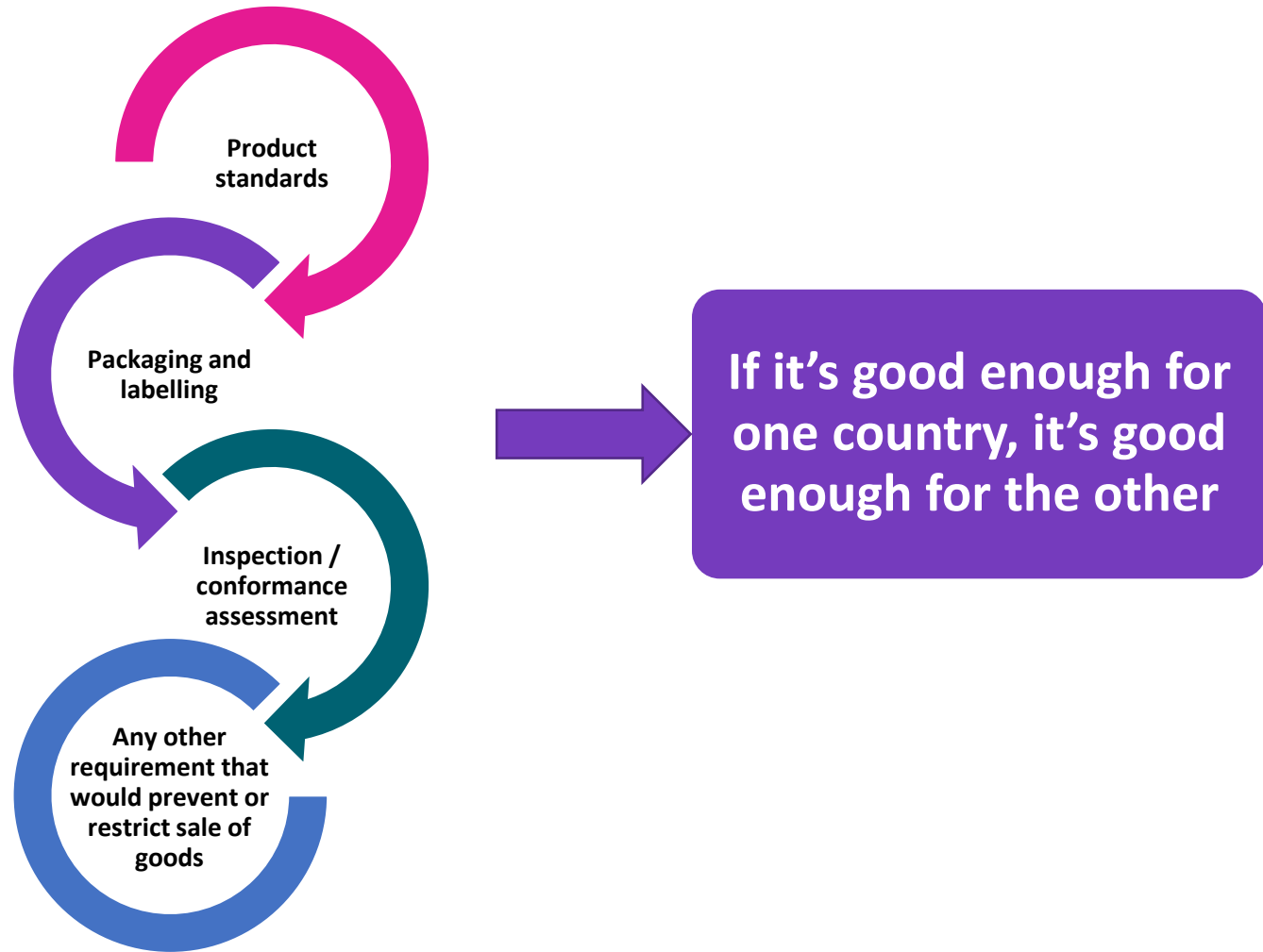
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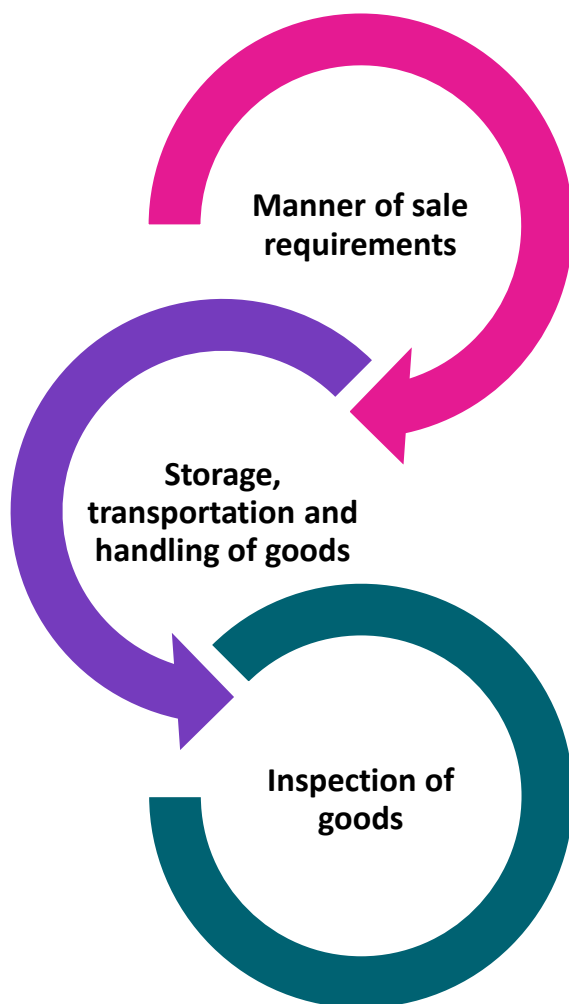
# Key principle



# Pre point-of-sale requirements do not apply



# Post point-of-sale laws do apply



- Contractual aspects of sales
- Registration of sellers
- Circumstances in which goods can be sold
- Franchise licences
- Persons to whom goods can be sold



# Laws important to a country's sovereignty are excluded

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Customs controls and tariffs

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Intellectual property

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Taxation

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Specified international obligations



# Other specific laws can be exempted

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Firearms

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Fireworks

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Classification of publications, film and computer games

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Gaming machines

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Road vehicles

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Hazardous goods, dangerous chemicals and new organisms

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Therapeutic goods

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Tobacco products

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Ozone protection

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Agricultural and veterinary chemicals

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Exemptions can be **temporary** or **permanent**



# Monitoring

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Review every 5 years

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Last review in 2015 – jurisdictions' response still being finalised

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Opportunity to amend exclusions and exemptions



# Lessons learned

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## Substantial benefits

Enhanced connectivity and facilitated trade

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Removes artificial regulatory barriers

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Safeguards allow management of risk

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## Balance between coverage and safeguards

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## Need for on-going engagement

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# THANK YOU

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