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## The Wheeled Child Conveyances (Safety) Regulations 1997

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**2. Member State**

United Kingdom.

**3. Department Responsible**

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### 3. Originating Department

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### 4. Notification Number

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### 5. Title

The Wheeled Child Conveyances (Safety) Regulations 1997

### 6. Products Concerned

Perambulators, pushchairs, strollers, combination perambulators and the like.

### 7. Notification Under Another Act

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### 8. Main Content

The new Regulations will:

(a) consolidate with amendments four existing sets of regulations:

- the Perambulators and Pushchairs (Safety) Regulations 1978;
- the Perambulators and Pushchairs (Safety) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1978;
- the Pushchairs (Safety) Regulations 1985; and,
- the Perambulators and Pushchairs (Safety) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1986.

(b) require wheeled child conveyances to conform to the British Standard 7409:1996 - the safety specification for wheeled child conveyances; and,

(c) allow a transition period, until 1st January 1999, during which suppliers can supply prams and pushchairs meeting either the requirements currently found in the existing Regulations or the requirements of BS 7409.

The draft Regulations provide recognition of equivalent EC and EEA standards or specifications.

The UK will fulfil its obligation under Article 12 of Directive 83/189/EEC (as amended) when these Regulations are officially published.

### 9. Brief Statement of Grounds

The prams and pushchair Regulations at 8(a) above call up British standards dating back to 1967 (prams) and 1984 (pushchairs). These standards do not take account of the many new designs of prams and pushchairs now available and a single comprehensive British standard BS 7409 has been



produced.

It would be the intention to revoke the (1997) Regulations and rely on the General Product Safety Regulations 1994 (which implemented Council Directive 92/59/EEC on general product safety) if and when it was clear that the CEN standard for wheeled child conveyances provided a level of safety equivalent to BS 7409.

**10. Reference Documents - Basic Texts**

- i. The Wheeled Child Conveyances (Safety) Regulations 1997  
Copies of the four sets of Regulations at 8 (a) above.
- ii. No
- iii. No

**11. Invocation of the Emergency Procedure**

No

**12. Grounds for the Emergency**

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**13. Confidentiality**

No

**14. Fiscal measures**

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