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The Sunbeds (Regulation) Act 2010 (Wales) Regulations 2011

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1. Structured Information Line

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2. Member State

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4. Notification Number

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5. Title

The Sunbeds (Regulation) Act 2010 (Wales) Regulations 2011

6. Products Concerned

These Regulations make provision about sunbed use in order to protect public health, for example by requiring a business that makes sunbeds available for use by the public on its premises to supervise sunbed use by, and to provide health information to, sunbed users.

7. Notification Under Another Act

8. Main Content

These Regulations, which will apply in relation to Wales, make provision about sunbed use in order to protect public health. They will prohibit the sale or hire or sunbeds to persons aged under 18 and they will impose various duties on a person who carries on a business that makes sunbeds available for use by the public on the business's premises, namely: to supervise the use of sunbeds by sunbed users; to provide and display prescribed health information (including the form and manner in which it is to be provided and displayed); to provide sunbed users with, and to secure as far as reasonably practicable the use of, protective eyewear; and where the business's premises are domestic premises, to prevent sunbed use on those premises by persons aged under 18.

9. Brief Statement of Grounds

The Welsh Ministers will make these Regulations under powers to be conferred by the Sunbeds (Regulation) Act 2010, which comes into force on 8 April 2011. The Act will protect public health by preventing persons aged under 18 from using sunbeds provided by a business on its premises (but this will not extend to a business that operates on domestic premises). The Regulations will complement the Act and will provide additional protection to the public health of the people of Wales, for example by requiring there to be appropriate supervision of sunbed use, the provision and wearing of protective eyewear and the provision of prescribed health information to inform persons that use sunbeds of the health risks of so doing.

There is a comprehensive evidence of the increased risks of skin cancer resulting from sunbed use. Many concerns have been raised in the public health arena about the increased use of sunbeds, particularly amongst young people, and that increase has been mirrored by an increase in the incidence of cutaneous melanoma skin cancers. There is evidence in Wales that children and adolescents, girls more so than boys, frequently use sunbeds that are available in both staffed and unstaffed sunbed salons. Research has shown that using sunbeds below the age of 35 increases the risk of developing cutaneous melanoma by 75%. The need to act to protect public health is therefore clear. The Act and regulations mirror similar powers that have been introduced in Scotland.

10. Reference Documents - Basic Texts

References of the Basic Texts: The Sunbeds (Regulation) Act 2010 11. Invocation of the Emergency Procedure No 12. Grounds for the Emergency 13. Confidentiality No 14. Fiscal measures No 15. Impact assessment Yes 16. TBT and SPS aspects TBT aspect No - The draft has no significant impact on international trade SPS aspect No - The draft is not a sanitary or phytosanitary measure Catherine Day General Secretary **European Commission** Contact point Directive 98/34 Fax: (32-2) 296 76 60 email: dir83-189-central@ec.europa.eu