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Draft Order amending the Order of 21 November 2002 (amended) on the reaction to fire of construction products and building materials.

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4. Notification Number

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5. Title

Draft Order amending the Order of 21 November 2002 (amended) on the reaction to fire of construction products and building materials.

6. Products Concerned

Construction products and building materials intended for high-rise buildings, for establishments attended by the public and for housing.

7. Notification Under Another Act

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8. Main Content

Amendment of the Order of 21 November 2002 (amended) on the reaction to fire of construction products and building materials by supplementing Article 2 of this Order, by deleting the transitional provisions appearing in Annex 4 of this Order and by deleting note (1) from table IV-1 of Annex 4 in the table and below the table, as well as class d1 from the third column in the fifth, sixth, seventh and eighth lines and renumbering former notes (2) and (3) as notes (1) and (2), respectively.

(Table IV-1 of Annex 4 to the Order of 21 November 2002 appears immediately above the title "CONSTRUCTION PRODUCTS OTHER THAN FLOORS - Table VI-1")

Keywords: safety, behaviour to fire, test methods, reaction to fire classification, construction products and building materials.

9. Brief Statement of Grounds

Article R 121-5 of the Construction and Housing Code lays down that the Minister for the Interior shall establish, by order, the test conditions and the classification of construction materials with regard to their reaction to fire. Safety regulations against fire in establishments attended by the public, high-rise buildings and housing shall refer to these classifications of construction materials and elements, in order to avoid the outbreak of fire and its rapid spread.

The Order of 21 November 2002, in Article 2 thereof, affects the construction products which are the subject of Euroclasses A1, A2, B, C, D, E and F.

Table IV-1 of Annex 4 to the Order lays down transitional provisions for construction products other than floors which must comply with the current requirements of legislation.

The new legislative requirements which should appear in the regulations and be based on the new Euroclasses will soon replace the old requirements based on classification M.

It is therefore necessary, as and when these new requirements are published, to remove this transitional provision.



This is the object of this Order, which will include an additional paragraph in Article 2 thereof, laying down these provisions, and which will delete the last sentence of paragraph 4 of Annex 4 to the Order.

Table IV-1 of Annex 4 to the Order has also been simplified by deleting note (1) in and below the table, by deleting class d1 from the third column in the fifth, sixth, seventh and eighth lines and by renumbering former notes (2) and (3) as (1) and (2), respectively. The title of the table will be placed above it, following the normal custom as well as that of Table IV-2.

The notion of thermofusible material is not included in the parameters used in the classification system of standard NF EN 13501-1. Only classification d can be used.

10. Reference Documents - Basic Texts

10 - Construction and Housing Code - Book 1 - Title 2 - Chapter 1 - Fire protection, classification of materials
- Order of 21 November 2002 (amended) on the reaction to fire of construction products and building materials.

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10c) - Notification No 2002/0109/F

11. Invocation of the Emergency Procedure

No

12. Grounds for the Emergency

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13. Confidentiality

No

14. Fiscal measures

No

15. Impact assessment

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16. TBT and SPS aspects

No

the draft is based on Euroclasses, which are subject to NF EN/ISO standards
the draft will not have any significant impact on international trade

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