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The Firework Regulations 2004

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1. Structured Information Line

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2. Member State

United Kingdom

3. Department Responsible

Department of Trade and Industry: Standards and Technical Regulations Directorate.

3. Originating Department

Department of Trade and Industry: Consumer and Competition Directorate.

4. Notification Number

2004/141/UK – C10C

5. Title

The Firework Regulations 2004

6. Products Concerned

The products with which these proposed Regulations are concerned are category 3 fireworks

7. Notification Under Another Act

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8. Main Content

To introduce a number of measures to curb the anti-social use of fireworks and to reduce their nuisance potential. The relevant regulation, which is notifiable under Directive 98/34/EC, is the plan to introduce a maximum decibel limit on Category 3 fireworks. The proposed level and testing method, is planned to be broadly in line with that which is contained in the new harmonised European Standard (BS EN 14032) that is, a level of 120 decibels, etc.

9. Brief Statement of Grounds

The use of fireworks in the UK has become a central concern with incidents of misuse leading to injury, intimidation and nuisance. As a result, and with particular regard to the latter, there is a ground swell of opinion that believes that fireworks are too loud, which is precisely what this particular aspect of the regulation aims to tackle.

10. Reference Documents - Basic Texts

a) Section 5 of the Fireworks Act 2003 available from

http://www.hmso.gov.uk/cgi-bin/htm_hl.pl?DB=hmso-new&STEMMER=en&WORDS=fireworks+act+2003+&COLOUR=Red&STYLE=s&URL=http://www.hmso.gov.uk/acts/acts2003/20030022.htm#muscat_highlighter_first_match.

This allows the Government to make regulations in relation to certain fireworks but with the exception of category 1 and 2 fireworks (referred to as classes in the 2003 Act).

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

The impact assessment is attached

16. TBT and SPS aspects

TBT and SPS Aspects

TBT Aspect

No, the draft does not have a significant effect on international trade.

SPS Aspect

No, the draft is not a sanitary or phytosanitary measure in the sense of Annex A of the SPS Agreement.



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