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## Implementation Order of the Decree implementing the Consumer Code regarding leather goods and goods similar to leather.

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No abre el plazo - Nezhahujuje odklady - Fristerne indledes ikke - Kein Fristbeginn - Viivituste perioodi ei avata - Καμμία έναρξη προθεσμίας - Does not open the delays - N'ouvre pas de délais - Non fa decorrere la mora - Neietekmē atlikšanu - Atidėjimai nepradedami - Nem nyitja meg a késések - Ma' jiftaħ il-perijodi ta' dawmien - Geen termijnbegin - Nie otwiera opóźnień - Nao inicia o prazo - Neotvorí oneskorenia - Ne uvaja zamud - Määräaika ei ala tästä - Inleder ingen frist - He ce предвижда период на прекъсване - Nu deschide perioadele de stagnare - Nu deschide perioadele de stagnare.

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#### **4. Notification Number**

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#### **5. Title**

Implementation Order of the Decree implementing the Consumer Code regarding leather goods and goods similar to leather.

#### **6. Products Concerned**

Raw materials and semi-manufactured or manufactured products in which all or part of the product is in leather or looks like leather, excluding footwear and personal protective equipment.

#### **7. Notification Under Another Act**

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#### **8. Main Content**

The draft Order takes up the definitions of animal species, types of tanning, surface conditions and finishes previously laid down by the Decree of 18 February 1986 on trading in leather goods and goods similar to leather. The inclusion of these definitions in an Order will make it possible to amend them more easily if necessary. Compared with the current provisions, the following adjustments have been made:

- The draft Order stipulates the pictograms that may be used to complement the name of the raw materials. A different pictogram is provided for leather and crust leather (or split leather);
- The draft Order takes into account the "semi-aniline" type of finish, to which reference is made in the Standard EN 13336 ("upholstery leather characteristics"), for which no provision was made under French regulations. The draft Order thus obviates any risk of legal uncertainty as regards products that may refer to the "semi-aniline" type of finish in order, in particular, to maintain a competitive balance between French and foreign operators.

#### **9. Brief Statement of Grounds**

The draft Order ameliorates the information given to the consumer.

#### **10. Reference Documents - Basic Texts**

Reference Documents, Basic Texts

Decree of 18 February 1986 (OJ of 27/02/1986) amended by Decrees No 89-292 of 10/05/1989 published in the OJ of 11/05/1989 and No 96-477 of 30/05/1996 published in the OJ of 2/06/1996, implementing, as regards trade in leather goods and goods similar to leather, the Act of 1 August 1905 on fraud and falsification of products or services (this Act has been codified in the Consumer Code).

Standard EN 13336 of December 2004 on upholstery leather characteristics.



**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**

TBT aspect a) YES

The draft will be notified under the WTO TBT (Technical Barriers to Trade) Agreement.

SPS aspect a) NO

The draft is not a sanitary or phytosanitary measure, pursuant to Annex A to the SPS Agreement.

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