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Draft Decree on the resale of second-hand medical devices, laid down in implementation of Article L. 5212-1 and amending the Public Health Code

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4. Notification Number

2009/0708/F - S10S Medical devices

5. Title

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6. Products Concerned

Medical devices

7. Notification Under Another Act

This notification is issued in accordance with article 8 of amended Directive 98/34/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 22 June 1998 laying down a procedure for the provision of information in the field of technical standards and regulations.

8. Main Content

This draft Decree, the first version of which was notified to the European Commission on 11 October 2006 (Notification 2006/0550/F), lays down the terms and conditions for application of Article L. 5212-1 of the Public Health Code, which covers the resale of certain second-hand medical devices by inserting a new section entitled "resale of second-hand medical devices" consisting of eight articles (R. 5212-35-1 to R. 5212-35-7 and R. 5461-1) in the chapter relating to medical devices vigilance.

The current wording of this draft Decree lays down provisions that aim to ensure the recognition of certificates issued ad hoc by bodies in other Member States (article R. 5212-35-2) and clarify the field of application with regards to second-hand medical devices from third countries (article R. 5212-35-3) in accordance with the requests made in the detailed opinion of 4 January 2007 of the European Commission.

Furthermore, Article L. 5212-1 of the Public Health Code is being amended at regulatory level and the provisions concerning authorised bodies have been deleted to transpose Directive 2006/123/EC on services in the internal market.

Apart from these amendments, all other provisions of this draft Decree shall remain unchanged. Article R. 5212-35-1 sets out the field of application for the provisions relating to the resale of second-hand medical devices. Article R. 5212-35-3 defines a second-hand medical device as a medical device "as is" compared to a medical device that is new or reconditioned. Article R. 5212-35-4 lays down the conditions for the issue of the technical certificate. Articles R. 5212-35-5 and R. 5212-35-6 provide a list of documents that must be provided by the reseller to the buyer, depending on the certificate issued. In accordance with article R. 5212-35-7, the reseller shall pass on the technical certificate to the buyer on purchase. A fine has been added to article R. 5461-1 of the Public Health Code for any failure to meet the obligation set out in Article L. 5212-1 and the provisions of this draft.

9. Brief Statement of Grounds

The provisions of the Public Health Code, resulting from the transposition of Directive 90/385/EEC of 20 June 1990 and Directive 93/42/EEC of 14 June 1993, provide a framework for the placing on the market of medical devices, taken to mean the supply, either in return for payment or free of charge, of new or reconditioned



devices (Article R. 5211-4), by subjecting such supplies to certification procedures for the compliance of devices with the essential health and safety requirements laid down by the Directive and to the prior obtaining of a CE marking. By contrast, there was no framework provided for the resale of second-hand medical devices at national or at Community level. It thus appeared necessary, for reasons of health and safety, to impose on operators of highly sensitive medical devices who engage in the resale of such devices an obligation to supply proof that these devices operate correctly, in accordance with the specifications of the manufacturer, and have been maintained correctly.

10. Reference Documents - Basic Texts

- a) Public Health Code (Articles L.5212-1, R. 5211-4, R. 5212-26 to R. 5212-35 and R. 5461-1)
- b) Penal Code (Article R. 610-1)

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

- a) NO
- b)
- iii) The project has no significant impact on international trade
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