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Draft order concerning additives authorized in the manufacture of tobacco products and their substitutes.

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5. Title

Draft order concerning additives authorized in the manufacture of tobacco products and their substitutes.

6. Products Concerned

Additives whose use is authorized in tobacco products.

7. Notification Under Another Act

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8. Main Content

The draft order replaces the list of additives annexed to the order of 16 July 1984 which authorized these substances in tobacco products. The new list of authorized additives, drawn up by a group of experts, has received a favourable opinion from the Higher Public Health Council in France.

9. Brief Statement of Grounds

The present draft order is based on public health considerations. Its aim is to prevent additives from being added to tobacco products which make the consumption of tobacco more dangerous to health than it is already. The list of additives which were provisionally authorized in



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tobacco products in 1984 has been re-updated. Several substances have been deleted from this list, or their use has been limited, either due to their toxic properties or due to problems posed by their decomposition products or by their toxic monomers. This is the case, for example, with coumarin, glyoxal and the resins and synthetic polymers which were authorized in 1984.

Other substances or preparations of ill-defined composition, such as vegetable caramelin, Avignon seed extracts, Campeachy wood extracts, yellow wood extracts, or those whose use was not justified because of their minor effect technologically speaking, have also been deleted from this list.

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Precise details have moreover been added on the preservatives which may be used during the manufacture of certain ingredients of tobacco products. Finally, where possible, the designation of the additives in tobacco products has been supplemented by the indication of the Community numbers allocated to the food additives, bearing in mind the amendments introduced since 1984.

10. Reference Documents - Basic Texts

- Article L 214-1 of the Consumers' Code.
- Decree no. 78.1108 of 23 November 1978 implementing the law of 1 August 1905 concerning tobacco, tobacco products and their substitutes.
- Amended order of 16 July 1984 concerning additives authorized in the manufacture of tobacco products and their substitutes.

11. Invocation of the Emergency Procedure No.

12. Grounds for the Emergency

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