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- Order approving provisions supplementing and amending the safety regulations to counter the outbreak of fire and panic in establishments open to the public.

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5. Title

- Order approving provisions supplementing and amending the safety regulations to counter the outbreak of fire and panic in establishments open to the public.

6. Products Concerned

- Reception structures for elderly and disabled persons (type J).

7. Notification Under Another Act

8. Main Content

The submitted draft is intended to supplement the safety regulations to counter the outbreak of fire and panic in establishments open to the public through the creation of special provisions specific to reception structures for elderly and disabled persons (type J).

This draft to create a particular type of establishment open to the public is accompanied by amendments to the safety regulations mainly intended to:

- declare this in the general provisions (Articles GN 1, GN 8 and GN 4);
- delete the constraints on these structures in the Order of 23 May 1989 (amended) relating to type U (Article

U1);

- define the classification limits for the fifth category of these structures by amending the Order of 22 June 1990 (amended) (Article PE 2).

This draft, however, shall not impose any further technical constraints in addition to those already appearing in the safety regulations to counter the outbreak of fire and panic in establishments open to the public.

9. Brief Statement of Grounds

These structures currently conform to the special provisions applicable to care establishments (establishments open to the public type U) defined in the Order of 23 May 1989 (amended).

The legislation referred to proves, on the one hand, very restrictive, and on the other, inappropriate to the development of reception structures for elderly and disabled persons.

The submitted draft is intended to:

- allow greater autonomy in the design of these establishments;
- provide greater flexibility in the way they are run;
- improve the living conditions for the persons using the reception structures;
- specify a concept of fire safety adapted to the persons using the reception structures;
- maintain the level of fire safety.

10. Reference Documents - Basic Texts

- Order of 25 June 1980 (amended) approving general provisions of the safety regulations to counter the outbreak of fire and panic in establishments open to the public (already sent to the Commission).
- Order of 23 May 1989 (amended) approving general provisions of the safety regulations to counter the outbreak of fire and panic in type U establishments open to the public (care establishments) (already sent to the Commission).
- Order of 22 June 1990 (amended) approving special provisions of the safety regulations to counter the outbreak of fire and panic in fifth category establishments open to the public (already sent to the Commission, Notification No 2000/0345/F).

11. Invocation of the Emergency Procedure

No

12. Grounds for the Emergency

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13. Confidentiality

No

14. Fiscal measures

No



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