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# Decree banning the placing of garden incinerators on the market

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# Message

Message 002

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No abre el plazo - Nezahajuje 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 késéseket - Ma' jiftaħx il-perijodi ta' dawmien - Geen termijnbegin - Nie otwiera opóźnień - Não inicia o prazo - Neotvorí oneskorenia - Ne uvaja zamud - Мääräaika ei ala tästä - Inleder ingen frist - Не се предвижда период на прекъсване - Nu deschide perioadele de stagnare - Nu deschide perioadele de stagnare.

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# 1. Structured Information Line

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## 4. Notification Number

2018/0112/F - S50E

#### 5. Title

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## 6. Products Concerned

All vessels designed for burning green waste in private gardens. Garden incinerators are generally cylindrical or parallelepiped vessels made from galvanised, aluminised or stainless steel.

# 7. Notification Under Another Act

#### 8. Main Content

The burning of household green waste is banned. Open air burning accounts for around 3 % of national particulate matter emissions (PM10) and thus contributes to air pollution, which is the third highest cause of death in France (after tobacco and alcohol), with 48 000 premature deaths occurring per year.

Despite the ban, it is estimated that around 29 000 garden incinerators are sold each year, sometimes accompanied by marketing messages which give the impression that such products are beneficial to the environment. The French authorities intend to ban the placing of garden incinerators on the market as of 1 January 2019. It is not appropriate to permit an individual to buy this type of equipment when its use is not authorised.

#### 9. Brief Statement of Grounds

This measure is in the general interest of protecting human health and life by encouraging the reduction of pollutant emissions at the source. It is part of the national plan to reduce atmospheric pollutant emissions adopted on 10 June 2017 by the French government. The measure does not constitute an arbitrary discrimination since it is aimed at all products, regardless of their place of manufacture. In combination with the development of alternatives to burning green waste and measures to raise awareness about the issue among those involved, it ensures that the goal to reduce open air burning is reached and is essential in order for this to be achieved.

# 10. Reference Documents - Basic Texts

Reference(s) to basic text(s): Articles L224-1, L222-9 and R224-16 of the French Environmental Code [Code de l'environnement]