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1. Structured Information Line

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2. Member State

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5. Title

Order on noise restriction in education establishments

6. Products Concerned

Construction products (acoustic linings, insulation, acoustic correction material)

7. Notification Under Another Act

8. Main Content

This Order specifies the obligations incumbent upon builders of education establishments with regard to acoustics where the dimensions used to express the requirements can be measured. It replaces the Order of 9 January 1995.

The requirements concern the following indices: D nT,A (insulation between buildings), D nTA,tr (insulation against external noise), L nAT (level of noise from equipment), L' nT,W (level of noise from impact), Tr (length of reverberation) and $A = S \times w$ (equivalent absorption area of absorbent coatings). Only the "bedroom + bathroom" combination is considered a function room.

These new provisions shall only apply to new buildings and new parts of existing buildings, and shall not have

any retrospective effect.

9. Brief Statement of Grounds

Law No 92-1444 (in particular Article 14 thereof - codified as Article

L. 111-11 in the Construction and Housing Code) and its implementing Decree

No 95-20 of 9 January 1995 stipulate that the acoustic characteristics of buildings other than houses shall be the subject of orders laying down, for the different categories of premises and according to their use, the technical requirements and thresholds applicable to construction and furnishing, enabling the noise inside these premises to be restricted.

An Order of 9 January 1995 laid down the first requirements concerning the acoustic quality of education establishments.

This new Order amends these requirements, using the new European criteria for characterising the acoustic performance of buildings.

10. Reference Documents - Basic Texts

No basic text

Texts enclosed:

- Articles R.111-23-1, R.111-23-2 and R. 111-23-3 of the Construction and Housing Code
- Order of 9 January 1995 on noise restriction in education establishments.

11. Invocation of the Emergency Procedure

No

12. Grounds for the Emergency

13. Confidentiality

No

14. Fiscal measures

No

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