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Order on provisions relating to the labelling of insecticide and repellent biocides as products mentioned in Article L.522-1 of the Environment Code

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Message 002

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No abre el plazo - Nezaahajuje 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 késések - Ma' jiftaħ il-perijodi ta' dawmien - Geen termijnbegin - Nie otwiera opóźnień - Nao inicia o prazo - Neotvorí oneskorenia - Ne uvaja zamud - Määräaika ei ala tästä - Inleder ingen frist - He ce предвижда период на прекъсване - Nu deschide perioadele de stagnare - Nu deschide perioadele de stagnare.

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4. Notification Number

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5. Title

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6. Products Concerned

Biocides, types 18 and 19

7. Notification Under Another Act

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8. Main Content

This draft order concerns the mandatory inclusion of the phrase “Not recommended for indoor use” on the packaging of type 18 biocides (insecticides, miticides and products used to control other arthropods) and/or type 19 biocides (repellents and bait) used to control mosquitoes or other flying insects by burning a support containing lignin and/or cellulose which is impregnated with an active biocide.

9. Brief Statement of Grounds

Mosquito coils are biocides (TP 18/19) that are burned to diffuse one or more active substances intended to control mosquitoes.

The French Agency for Food, Environmental and Occupational Health & Safety (Anses) was approached by the ministries responsible for healthcare and the environment to carry out a health risk assessment related to the use of mosquito coils. As part of the risk assessment carried out, Anses characterised the fumes emitted while burning mosquito coils. The tests carried out enabled the characterisation of several chemical compounds present in the coil fumes (carbon monoxide, particulate matter, etc.) resulting from burning the wood or elements that constitute the supporting matrix of the coil.

In its opinion of 4 August 2010, Anses recommended that the coils should not be used indoors to eliminate nuisance, non-disease-carrying mosquitoes. However, in the context of controlling an epidemic of disease-carrying-mosquitoes, Anses stressed that the prevention of vector-borne diseases (malaria, dengue fever, chikungunya fever, etc.) should be prioritised over the risks of the negative health effects caused by exposure to the coil fumes and recommends, where possible, the use of other means of protection.

In response to the conclusions and recommendations of Anses, this draft order is intended to make it compulsory to include the phrase “Not recommended for indoor use” clearly on the packaging of mosquito coils. This measure will help to limit non-essential use of these products, without restricting the range of methods for combating disease-carrying mosquitoes (dengue fever, chikungunya fever, etc.) in affected areas.



10. Reference Documents - Basic Texts

Reference texts: Environment Code (Articles R.522-37, L.522-9, R.522-32 and R522-3)

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

TBT relevance

No - The draft is neither a technical regulation nor a conformity assessment.

SPS relevance

No - The draft does not have a significant effect on international trade.

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