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5. Title

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Annexes to the Decree

6. Products Concerned

Method of classifying buildings according to the quantity of wood they incorporate.

7. Notification Under Another Act

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8. Main Content

On the one hand, the draft Order lays down the fixed method for calculating the quantity of wood incorporated in a building by using ratios according to the type of structure and, on the other hand, it lays down the procedures for affixing classification during construction and after the building has been completed.

Only owners of public buildings are obliged to set an objective greater than or equal to 2 cubic decimetres of wood per square metre of net surface area. The fixed method for calculation allows this quantity to be reached by including different constructions made from wood such as permanent formwork, pipe covers etc.

The mutual recognition clause appears in Article 2 of the Decree.

9. Brief Statement of Grounds

This provision aims to meet the commitments that France undertook when it signed the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC), in particular the Kyoto Agreement of November 1997, setting objectives for the reduction of greenhouse gas emissions by the different signatory States.

10. Reference Documents - Basic Texts

Reference documents:

10C : Decree No of on the use of wooden materials in certain constructions Annex to the Decree

11. Invocation of the Emergency Procedure

No

12. Grounds for the Emergency

13. Confidentiality

No

14. Fiscal measures

No

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