

Directive 2007/23/EC

on the placing on the market of
pyrotechnic articles

EU-Serbia screening exercise, 19 June
2014



Directive 2007/23/EC of 23 May 2007

will be repealed as from 1 July 2015 by the recast Directive 2013/29/EU of 12 June 2013 on the harmonisation of the laws of the Member States relating to the making available on the market of pyrotechnic articles.

By way of derogation, point 4 of Annex I has been already repealed from 4 July 2013 and replaced by point 4 of Annex I under the new Directive 2013/29/EU.

Main objectives

*To establish a **single market** in the EU in trade of pyrotechnic articles*

*To ensure a high level of consumer and environmental protection through harmonised **safety requirements**, and the setting up of a **traceability system** for pyrotechnic articles*

Main provisions

- *Scope*
- *Definitions*
- *Categorisation of articles according to type of use or purpose and level of hazard: fireworks, theatrical pyrotechnic articles, other pyrotechnic articles (e.g. air bags)*
- *Obligations of economic operators*
- *Essential safety requirements*

Main provisions, cont.

- *Free movement of goods*
- *Age limits and labelling requirements*
- *Harmonised standards*
- *Conformity assessment and notified bodies*
- *CE marking*
- *Market surveillance, rapid information exchange, safeguard clause, penalties, etc.*

Main provisions, cont.

Annex I – Essential safety requirements

*Annex II – Conformity assessment procedures
(Modules B, C, D, E, G, H)*

Annex III - Qualifying criteria for notified bodies

Annex IV – CE marking

Transposition and implementation

Transposition deadline was 4 January 2010.

Application of Directive by Member States: 4 July 2010 for cat. 1 – 3 fireworks and 4 July 2013 for all other pyrotechnic articles. Transitional provisions until 2017.

Development of harmonised standards. So far EN 15947, EN ISO 14451, EN 16256 and EN 16261 (EU Official Journal C 136 of 15 May 2013)

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Current list of harmonised standards:

http://ec.europa.eu/enterprise/policies/european-standards/harmonised-standards/pyrotechnic-articles/index_en.htm

*Activities of **Forum of Notified Bodies***

*Activities of market surveillance administrative cooperation group (**ADCO**)*



Transposition and implementation

*Implementing **Directive 2014/58/EU** of 16 April 2014 setting up a system for the traceability of pyrotechnic articles*

*Member States shall adopt and publish by **30 April 2015** the provisions necessary to comply with this Directive and shall apply those provisions as from **17 October 2016**.*



Thank you for your attention!

Dedicated web-page:

http://ec.europa.eu/enterprise/sectors/chemicals/specific-chemicals/pyrotechnic-articles/index_en.htm