



## EU toy directive adds formaldehyde restrictions

On November 20, 2019, the Official Journal of the European Union issued the Revision Directive (EU) 2019/1929, adding Formaldehyde requirements of toys intended for use by children under 36 months or in other toys intended to be placed in the mouth to the Appendix C of Annex II of the Toy Safety Directive 2009/48/EC. The directive came into effect on the 20th day after the official gazette was published and was officially implemented on May 21, 2021. The revised contents are as follows:



In Appendix C to Annex II to Directive 2009/48/EC, the following entry is added:

Substance	CAS No.	Material in toys	Limit
Formaldehyde	50-00-0	polymeric toy material	1.5mg/L
		resin-bonded wood toy material	0.1mg/m <sup>3</sup>
		textile toy material	30mg/kg
		leather toy material	30mg/kg
		paper toy material	30mg/kg
		water-based toy material	10mg/kg

Original link: <https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?qid=1574668199079&uri=CELEX:32019L1929>

### HCT SOLUTIONS:

Formaldehyde is classified as carcinogenic category 1B. On December 18, 2018, the EU notified the WTO of the revised directive, which has now been officially issued. HCT reminds all toy-related enterprises to pay close attention to the formaldehyde content in the products, regulate the use of formaldehyde in the products, and pay attention to the transition period deadline, and timely test the production of their products according to the new requirements to ensure that the products are exported in compliance.

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