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Consumer products

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French environmental labeling requirements will be implemented soon

On April 30, 2022, France issued Decree No. 2022-748, which requires manufacturers, importers or other marketers to provide consumers with information on the environmental quality and characteristics of products that generate waste. The decree came into effect on May 1, 2022 and will be implemented step by step from January 1, 2023. The specific implementation time is as follows:

Implementation time	Condition	
January 1, 2023	The annual income is more than 50 million euros, and at least 25000 pieces are put into the national market	
January 1, 2024	The annual income is more than 20 million euros, and at least 10000 pieces are put into the national market	
January 1, 2025	The annual income is more than 10 million euros, and at least 10000 pieces are put into the national market	
January 1, 2024	Annual revenue greater than 20 million euros, with at least 10,000 units of the following products on the national market: - building materials - Toy - Passenger cars, vans, motor vehicles (2, 3 or 4 wheels)	
January 1, 2025	Annual revenue greater than 10 million euros, with at least 10,000 units of the following products on the national market: - building materials - Toy - Passenger cars, vans, motor vehicles (2, 3 or 4 wheels)	

The decree requires information on the quality and characteristics of the environment as follows:

label	Applicable product	Identification content	Identification method
Repairability/Sus tainability	Electronic and electrical products	Displays the maintainability index and the sustainability index from January 1, 2024.	Identified on the product or packaging, or near the price if sold online.
Compostability	Packaging	Label "compostable packaging". If the packaging is not compostable, no information needs to be reflected.	Electronic identification
Proportion of recycled materials used	 Packaging, Printed paper, except books, 	"The product contains at least [%] of recycled materials" or "the package contains at least [%] of	Electronic identification



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	 3. Electronic and electrical products, 4. Batteries and accumulators, 5. Contents and containers of chemicals, 6. Clothing products, footwear or household linen, textiles, 7. Sports and leisure products, 8. DIY and gardening supplies, 9. Passenger cars, trucks, motor vehicles (2, 3 or 4 wheels) 	recycled materials". If the product does not contain recycled materials, it may not reflect any information, or it may voluntarily identify "products without recycled materials".	
Use of renewable resources	Building materials for families or professionals	According to Art. R. 171-17	According to <u>Art.</u> <u>R. 171-17</u>
Possibility of reuse	Packaging	"Reusable packaging" or "Refillable packaging". If not, do not identify any information.	Electronic identification
Recyclability	 Packaging, Printing paper, except books, Building materials for families or professionals, Electronic and electrical products, Batteries and accumulators, Contents and containers of chemicals, Furniture, upholstered seats or bedding, Clothing products, footwear or household linens, textiles, Toys, Sports and leisure products, DIY and gardening supplies, Passenger cars, trucks and motor vehicles (2, 3 or 4 wheels) 	When recyclable materials account for more than 50%, label "mostly recyclable products" or "mostly recyclable packaging"; If the recyclable material accounts for more than 95%, it can be labeled as "completely recycled product"; If more than 50% of the materials are re integrated into the same product, it can be identified as "products can be recycled into products of the same nature" or "packaging can be recycled into packaging of the same nature".	Electronic identification
Precious metals	Electronic and electrical products, Passenger cars, trucks and motor vehicles (2, 3 or 4 wheels)	If the content in the product is greater than 1 mg, it shall be labeled as "contains at least [X mg] precious metals" or "contains at least [X mg] gold, silver, platinum,	Electronic identification

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Rare earth element		If the content of the product is more	Electronic
		than 1 mg, it shall be marked with	
		"at least [X mg] of rare earth	
	Electronic and electrical	elements", or "at least [X mg] of	
	products,	scandium, yttrium, lanthanum,	
	Passenger cars, trucks and	cerium, praseodymium,	identification
element	motor vehicles (2, 3 or 4	neodymium, promethium,	Identification
	wheels)	samarium, europium, gadolinium,	
		terbium, dysprosium, holmium,	
		erbium, thulium, ytterbium,	
		lutetium".	
		If it contains more than 0.1% SVHC	Electronic identification or use Scan4Chem application
		or substances of considerable	
	Substances, mixtures and articles defined under REACH	concern to SVHC, it shall be	
Hazardous		marked with "including hazardous	
substances		substances". If the substance is	
Substances		SVHC, it shall be marked with	
		"including substances of high	
		concern+the name of each	
		hazardous substance in existence".	
	Clothing products, footwear or household linens, textiles	Marking the country where each	Electronic identification
Traceability		step is performed: weaving,	
		printing, manufacturing;	
		For Footwear Marking: Quilting,	
		Assembly, Finishing.	
Plastic microfiber	Clothing products, footwear or household linens, textiles	When the proportion of synthetic	Electronic identification
		fiber is greater than 50%, the sign	
		"release the plastic microfiber into	
		the environment during washing"	
		shall be marked.	

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