



“WHO IS WHO” IN PROSAFE

SPAIN



Introduction

Spain is a parliamentary monarchy covering an area of 506 Km² and has a population of around 40,000,000 people.

Madrid is the capital and the seat of the National Government. It is organised into Autonomous Communities. These Communities have transferred administrative functions, including those relating to Consumer issues and market surveillance concerning products available to the consumer.

Legislation

National legislation on product safety comprises European legislation transposed into the Spanish system and national legislation, organised basically into Laws, Royal Decrees and Orders.

All form part of the following Laws:

- Law 26/1984, of 19 July, General for the protection of consumers and users.
- Law 21/1992, of 16 of July, on Industry

Spanish National Legislation.

- Law 26/48, of 19 July, General for the protection of consumers and users.
- Royal Decree 1801/2003, of 26 December, on the general safety of products.
- Royal Decree 820/90, of 22 June, Prohibiting the Manufacture and Marketing Products of Misleading Appearance that threaten the health or safety of Consumers.
- Royal Decree 880/1990, of 29 June, approving Safety Standards for Toys.
- Royal Decree 7/1988, of January, relating to safety requirements for electrical equipment intended for use at specific Voltage Limits.



- Royal Decree 1435/1992, of 27 November, dictating the provisions of application of Council Directive 89/392/EEC on the approximation of the laws of the Member States relating to machinery.
- Royal Decree 1407/1992, of 20 November, regulating the Conditions for the marketing and free intracommunity circulation of Individual Protective Equipment.
- Royal Decree 444/1994, of 11 March, establishing procedures for evaluating the conformity and protection requirements relating to Electromagnetic Compatibility of teams, systems and installations.
- Royal Decree 1428/1992, of 27 November, issuing the provisions of application of European Communities Council Directive 90/396/EEC on Gas Appliances.
- Royal Decree 770/1999, of 7 May, approving the Technical and Health Regulations on the production, distribution and sale of detergents and cleaning products.
- Royal Decree 255/2003, of 28 February, approving the Regulations on the classification, packaging and labelling of hazardous preparations.
- Royal Decree 1406/1989, of 10 November, imposing limitations on the marketing and use of certain Hazardous Substances and Preparations.
- Royal Decree 3360/1983, of 30 November, approving the Technical and Health Regulations for bleaches.
- Royal Decree 1054/2002, of 11 October, regulating the evaluation procedure for registering, authorising and marketing biocides.
- Royal Decree 1599/1997, of 17 October, on cosmetic products.
- Royal Decree 363/95, of 10 March, approving the regulations on the notification of new substances and classification, packaging and labelling of hazardous substances.

Directives

- Electromagnetic Compatibility (2004/108/EC).
- Construction Products (89/106/EEC).



- Toy Safety (88/387/EEC).
- General Product Safety (2001/95/EC).
- Packaging and Packaging Waste (94/62/EC).
- Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment (2002/96/EC).
- Low Voltage (73/23/EEC).
- Simple Pressure Vessels (87/404/EEC).
- Electromagnetic Compatibility (89/336/EEC).
- Personal Protective Equipment (89/686/EEC).
- Gas Appliances (90/396/EEC).
- New Hot-water Boilers Fired with Liquid or Gaseous Fuels (92/42/EEC).
- Lifts (95/16/EC).
- Pressure Equipment (97/23/EC).
- Machinery (98/37/EC).

MARKET SURVEILLANCE

The practice of market surveillance is the responsibility of the Autonomous Communities and the Spanish National Consumer Institute as coordinator and link with the European Community Authorities, and which is the point of contact for the European Alert Network.

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