

Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade

NOTIFICATION

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.6.

1.	Member to Agreement notifying: <u>NETHERLANDS</u> If applicable, name of local government involved (Articles 3.2 and 7.2):
2.	Agency responsible: Ministry of Health, Welfare and Sports Agency or authority designated to handle comments regarding the notification can be indicated if different from above: National enquiry point
3.	Notified under Article 2.9.2 [X], 2.10.1 [], 5.6.2 [], 5.7.1 [], other:
4.	Products covered (HS or CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable): Fireworks
5.	Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document: Amendment of the Regulation on Further Requirements Regarding Fireworks
6.	Description of content: The Amendment aims to modify the Regulation on further requirements regarding fireworks so as to partly bring it into line with the standards for fireworks to be enacted by the European 'Fireworks' Standards Commission (CEN/TC 212). This partial harmonization relates to adopting the definition of black gunpowder, bang and burst and the list of substances which may not feature in fireworks, as included in Appendix II. The other amendments pertain to the changed technical insights regarding the classification of fireworks. For example, the new third paragraph of Article 5 specifies that the motor-unit jackets of certain types of rockets may be made of plastic and aluminium. It is hoped that the changed components B and C of Appendix III will afford more clarity in the classification of the various types of fireworks.
7.	Objective and rationale: See under point 6
8.	Relevant documents: Fireworks Decree under the Chemical Substances Act and the Chemical Substances Act.
9.	Proposed date of adoption: 25 November 1997 Proposed date of entry into force: 26 November 1997
10.	Final date for comments: 24 November 1997 The Netherlands will proceed to implement the proposed measure after 45 days if no comments or requests for extension of the time-limit have been received from other Members within that time.
11.	Texts available from: National enquiry point [] or address and telefax number of other body: