

## REGULATIONS NOT HARMONISED AT EUROPEAN LEVEL

# CHILDCARE ARTICLES

### SCOPE

Childcare articles mean any product intended to ensure or facilitate the seating, cleaning, sleeping arrangements, transportation, moving and physical protection of **children under four**.

However, several products found in the Circular of 29 July 1992 (pacifiers, for instance) are not subject to the regulation on childcare articles.

### FRENCH REGULATIONS

- [Decree No 91-1292 of 20 December 1991](#) on the prevention of hazards due to use of childcare articles

### EU REGULATIONS

- [Regulation \(EC\) No 552/2009 of 22 June 2009](#) amending Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 18 December 2006 concerning the Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation and Restriction of Chemicals (REACH) as regards Annex XVII and the restrictions applying to these substances

*The Annex to this Regulation restricts use of certain azocolourants (point 43) and certain phthalates (points 51 and 52)*

### STANDARDS CONFERRING A PRESUMPTION OF CONFORMITY

- [Communication of 23 April 2010](#) on implementation of Decree No 91-1292 of 20 December 1991 on the prevention of hazards due to use of childcare articles

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## **FURTHER INFORMATION**

### ■ [Circular of 29 July 1992](#) on the scope of application of Decree No 91-1292

*To answer queries from professionals, this Circular sets forth, by product, the responses provided to their questions concerning the scope of application of the Decree.*

### ■ [Decree No 2006-1361 of 9 November 2006](#) on restriction of the use of certain phthalates in toys and childcare articles

### ■ [Order of 21 July 2000](#) suspending the marketing and ordering the withdrawal of certain toys and childcare articles designed for children under three years old to put into their mouths.