

REGULATIONS HARMONISED AT EUROPEAN LEVEL

COSMETICS

SCOPE

'**Cosmetic product**' means any substance or mixture intended to be placed in contact with various external parts of the human body (epidermis, hair system, nails, lips and external genital organs) or with the teeth and the mucous membranes of the oral cavity with a view exclusively or mainly to cleaning them, perfuming them, changing their appearance, protecting them, keeping them in good condition, or correcting body odours.

'**Substance**' means a chemical element and its compounds; they may be natural or the product of a manufacturing process, including any additive required to maintain stability and any impurity from the implemented process, except for solvents.

REGULATIONS

➤ **EU LEGISLATION**

■ [Directive 76/768/EEC](#) of 27 July 1976 (amended) on the approximation of the laws of the Member States relating to cosmetic products

■ [Regulation \(EC\) No 1223/2009](#) of 30 November 2009 on cosmetic products

This Regulation will become effective on 11 July 2013. However, certain provisions of Articles 15 and 16 are already in force.

➤ **FRENCH TRANSPOSITION LEGISLATION**

[Public Health Code](#) :

■ LEGISLATIVE PART – 5th part – Book I – Title III – Chapter 1: Articles L.5131-1 to L.5131-11

■ REGULATORY PART – 5th part – Book I – Title III – Chapter 1: Articles R.5131-1 to R.5131-14

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- *Ministère du travail, de l'emploi, de la formation professionnelle et du dialogue social* (Ministry for Labour, Employment, Vocational Training and Industrial Relations) :

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