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COMMISSION DELEGATED REGULATION (EU) 2024/371

of 23 January 2024

supplementing Directive (EU) 2020/2184 of the European Parliament and of the Council by establishing harmonised specifications for the marking of products that come into contact with water intended for human consumption

(Text with EEA relevance)

THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union,

Having regard to Directive (EU) 2020/2184 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 16 December 2020 on the quality of water intended for human consumption (1), and in particular Article 11(11) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) Article 11 of Directive (EU) 2020/2184 requires Member States to ensure that certain materials that come into contact with water intended for human consumption do not directly or indirectly compromise the protection of human health, adversely affect the colour, odour or taste of the water, enhance microbial growth, or leach contaminants into the water at levels that are higher than necessary in view of the intended purpose of the material.
- (2) In accordance with Article 11(11) of Directive (EU) 2020/2184, the Commission is to adopt delegated acts to establish harmonised specifications for a conspicuous, clearly legible and indelible marking to be used to indicate that a product that comes into contact with water intended for human consumption is in conformity with Article 11 of that Directive. A product for which a EU declaration of conformity has been issued in accordance with Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2024/370 (²) is to be accompanied by the marking established in this Regulation.
- (3) The harmonised specifications for the position and design of the marking apply to products that are intended to be used in new installations or, in the case of repairs works or reconstruction, in existing installations for the abstraction, treatment, storage or distribution of water intended for human construction and that are intended to come into contact with such water.
- (4) In order to be sufficiently visible and clearly identified, a minimum size for the marking should be set out and the marking should be composed of a symbol and an information text,

⁽¹) OJ L 435, 23.12.2020, p. 1.

⁽²⁾ Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2024/370 of 23 January 2024 supplementing Directive (EU) 2020/2184 of the European Parliament and of the Council by laying down conformity assessment procedures for products that come into contact with water intended for human consumption and the rules for the designation of conformity assessment bodies involved in those procedures (OJ L, 2024/370, 23.4.2024, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg_del/2024/370/oj).

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HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

1. The marking referred to in Article 11(11) of Directive (EU) 2020/2184 (the 'marking') shall include the symbol reproduced in the Annex. The symbol shall be at least 5 mm high.

Where the symbol of the minimum size cannot be affixed on the product, it shall be affixed to the packaging and to the documentation.

The symbol shall be indelible and visibly affixed to one or more surfaces of the product, on any technical and administrative documents accompanying the product (the 'documentation') and on the packaging of the product.

2. The marking on the documentation and on the packaging of the product shall also include the following information text:

'SUITABLE FOR DRINKING WATER'.

3. The information text referred to in paragraph 2 shall be clearly visible and shall be placed below the symbol, in upper case and in Helvetica Bold with a minimum font size of 5 mm.

The information text affixed on the documentation shall be written in the official languages of the Member State where the product is placed on the market unless that Member State provides otherwise.

The information text affixed on the packaging shall be written in at least one of the official languages of the Member State where the product is placed on the market.

Additional languages may be used for the information text than those required in this paragraph provided that the same information appears in all languages used.

Where the information text is translated into another language than the required languages referred to in this paragraph, the translated text shall be placed below the information text in those required languages.

- 4. The colour and presentation of the marking shall be such that the symbol stands out clearly.
- 5. Other labelling may be affixed to the product, documentation and packaging provided that the visibility, legibility and meaning of the marking is not impaired.
- 6. All elements of the marking shall be located close to the other labelling on the product, on the documentation and on the packaging.

Article 2

Entry into force

This Regulation shall enter into force on the twentieth day following that of its publication in the Official Journal of the European Union.

It shall apply from 31 December 2026.

This Regulation shall be binding in its entirety and directly applicable in all Member States.

Done at Brussels, 23 January 2024.

For the Commission
The President
Ursula VON DER LEYEN

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ANNEX

SYMBOL

