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This document (EN 17132:2019) has been prepared by Technical Committee CEN/TC 248 “Textiles and textile products”, the secretariat of which is held by BSI.

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Introduction

In the European Union, according to Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006 (REACH), Annex XVII, Entry 50, articles such as clothing, footwear and gloves are not to be placed on the market for supply to the general public if any of their rubber or plastic components that come into direct, as well as prolonged or short-term repetitive, contact with the human skin or the oral cavity, under normal or reasonably foreseeable conditions of use, contain more than 1 mg/kg (0,000 1 % by weight of this component) of any of the following PAHs.

Toys and childcare articles, are not to be placed on the market if any of their rubber or plastic components that come into direct as well as prolonged or short-term repetitive contact with the human skin or the oral cavity, under normal or reasonably foreseeable conditions of use, contain more than 0,5 mg/kg (0,000 05 % by weight of this component) of any of the following PAHs.

Further information can be found in the ECHA guideline [3].

According to Regulation (EU) 2018/1513 amending Annex XVII to Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006 (REACH) by Entry 72, (a) clothing or related accessories; (b) textiles other than clothing which, under normal or reasonably foreseeable conditions of use, come into contact with human skin to an extent similar to clothing; (c) footwear are not to be placed on the market after 1 November 2020, if they contain more than 1 mg/kg (0,000 1 % by weight of this component) of any of the following PAHs.

This restriction does not apply to: (a) clothing, related accessories or footwear, or parts of clothing, related accessories or footwear, made exclusively of natural leather, fur or hide; (b) non-textile fasteners and non-textile decorative attachments; (c) second-hand clothing, related accessories, textiles other than clothing or footwear; (d) wall-to-wall carpets and textile floor coverings for indoor use, rugs and runners. It also does not apply to clothing, related accessories, textiles other than clothing, or footwear within the scope of Regulation (EU) 2016/425 or Regulation (EU) 2017/745. The restriction on textiles other than clothing does not apply to disposable textiles. "Disposable textiles" means textiles that are designed to be used only once or for a limited time and are not intended for subsequent use for the same or a similar purpose.

Regulated PAHs: Benzo[a]pyrene (BaP), Benzo[e]pyrene (BeP), Benzo[a]anthracene (BaA), Chrysene (CHR), Benzo[b]fluoranthene (BbFA), Benzo[j]fluoranthene (BjFA), (g) Benzo[k]fluoranthene (BkFA), Dibenzo[a,h]anthracene (DBAhA).

The PAH Benzo(g,h,i)perylene was added to the REACH Candidate List of SVHC on 27 June 2018.

In addition, the following PAHs are under consideration for addition to the REACH Regulation.

Indeno(1,2,3-cd)pyrene, Benzo(j,k)fluorene (fluoranthrene), Napthalene, Anthracene, Pyrene, Benzo(g,h,i)perylene, Acenaphthalene, Acenaphthene

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1 Scope

This document specifies a method to determine the amounts of polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons (PAH) in components of textile products. This method has been elaborated to achieve a limit of quantification of 0,1 mg/kg.

NOTE A list of relevant materials can be found in CEN/TR 16741 [2].

2 Normative references

The following documents are referred to in the text in such a way that some or all of their content constitutes requirements of this document. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

EN ISO 4787, *Laboratory glassware — Volumetric instruments — Methods for testing of capacity and for use (ISO 4787)*

EN ISO 5089, *Textiles — Preparation of laboratory test samples and test specimens for chemical testing (ISO 5089)*

ISO 28540:2011, *Water quality — Determination of 16 polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons (PAH) in water — Method using gas chromatography with mass spectrometric detection (GC-MS)*

3 Terms and definitions

No terms and definitions are listed in this document.

ISO and IEC maintain terminological databases for use in standardization at the following addresses:

- IEC Electropedia: available at <http://www.electropedia.org/>
- ISO Online browsing platform: available at <http://www.iso.org/obp>

4 Principle

The test sample is extracted using toluene at 60 °C in an ultrasonic bath for 1 h. An aliquot is then analysed using a gas chromatograph with mass selective detector.