



French DGCCRF Food Contact Materials and Articles – Updates

In June 2016, the French Directorate General for Competition Policy, Consumer Affairs and Fraud Control (DGCCRF) published documents, DM/4B/COM/002, DM/4B/COM/003, DM4B/COM/004. These documents replace DGCCRF Notes of Information No. 2004-64 of 2004, regarding organic materials issued from synthetic components and organic materials made from plant fibers.

Document No	Types of materials	Updates
DM/4B/COM/001	Metals and alloys	In Nov 2015, Superseded the Notes of Information No. 2004-64 of 2004 Mandates new requirements of 21 elements for coated and non-coated metals and metal alloys
DM/4B/COM/002	Inorganic materials e.g. ceramic, glass ceramic, enamel, crystal	New metal release limits for all articles except lip and rim: Aluminium < 1mg/kg Cobalt < 0.02mg/kg Arsenic <ND (detection limit: 0.002mg/kg)
DM/4B/COM/003	Organic materials made of synthetic components e.g. plastic, rubber, complex material	No technical change from previous notes of information No. 2004-64
DM/4B/COM/004	Organic materials made of plant fibers e.g. coated or non-coated paper and board	No technical change from previous notes of information No. 2004-64

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European Commission - Lower Migration Limits of Lead in Toys

The European Commission has proposed lower limits for Lead in Toys. In order to ensure protection of children, the amended draft adopts the migration limits, from toys or components of toys, for a range of elements, including lead, in dry, liquid and scraped-off toy materials.

On 18 August 2016, the World Trade Organization (WTO) has been informed by The European Commission. The new draft directive is expected to be adopted in the 1st quarter of 2017 and to be applied in the third quarter of 2018.

The summary of Lead migration limits under the Toy Safety Directive 2009/48/EC (TSD) and the draft directive under WTO are listed in below table.

Migration Limit for Lead (mg/kg)			
	Category I (Dry, brittle, powder like or pliable)	Category II (Liquid or sticky)	Category III (Scraped-off)
Toys Safety Directive	13.5	3.4	160
Draft Directive	2.0	0.5	23

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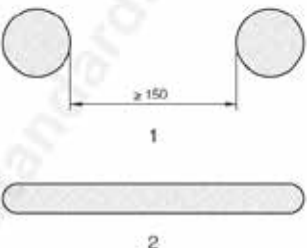


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Australian Toy Standard Update

The updated Australian voluntary toy standard AS/NZS 8124 was published on 30 June 2016. The standard name was amended from AS/NZS ISO 8124 to AS/NZS 8124. It adopted with national modifications and has been reproduced from the current ISO 8124.

Related Standards	Updates
AS/NZS 8124.1:2016 Safety of toys- Safety aspects related to mechanical and physical properties	<p>Adopt ISO 8124.1:2014 Safety of toys- Safety aspects related to mechanical and physical properties with several modifications specified in appendix ZZ:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> > Clause 4.4.1 add the term of "fibrous filling material" to the small part exemption > Replaced with a new figure for acceptable ventilation area under enclosure requirement:  <p>Key</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 total ventilation area, 1 300 mm² or more 2 alternative equivalent ventilation, 1 300 mm² or more <ul style="list-style-type: none"> > Add requirement for kinetic energy (KE) per area contact for projectile in of arrow. Maximum KE per contact area shall not greater than 2500J/m². > The rationale of Projectile with suction cup has been revised > The tolerance of the cylindrical gauge for projectile tip measurement was adjusted. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Height: 2mm +0/-0.1mm - Inner diameter: 4mm +0.1/-0 mm - Outer diameter: 6mm +0/-0.1 mm
AS/NZS 8124.1:2016 Safety of toys- Flammability	Adopt ISO 8124.2:2014 Safety of toys- Flammability
AS/NZS 8124.3:2012 Amdt 1:2016 Safety of toys- Migration of certain elements	Adopt ISO 8124-3:2010 Amdt. 1:2014 Safety of toys - Migration of certain elements with variations specified in appendix ZZ

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