

Turkey Updates Toy Safety Regulations Largely in Line with European Union

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Turkey has amended the regulatory regime governing toy safety. The regime includes minimum safety standards for toys to be used by children under the age of 14, as well as obligations for producers, authorized representatives, importers and distributors.

The Toy Safety Regulation ("**Regulation**") was published in Official Gazette number 29847 on 4 October 2016, effective from 4 April 2017. It abolishes the Regulation on Toys published in Official Gazette number 28807 on 31 October 2013.

The Regulation updates the Turkish toy safety regime, including:

- Definition of safety requirements for toys within the scope of the Regulation.
- Requirements for warning labels (including a requirement that safety instructions and warnings must be written in Turkish).
- Principles for EC conformity declarations.
- Procedures and principles for using the "CE" Mark.
- Details of safety checks which producers must conduct.

The Ministry will ensure toys that are risky and will cause damage are immediately removed and banned from the market.

Toys exported from non-EU member countries and imported into Turkey will be audited in accordance with the principles and producers outlined in the Technical Regulations on Foreign Trade and Standardization Regime Decision.

Please see this [link](#) for the full text of the Regulation (only available in Turkish).

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