

Labelling of Textiles in France

Triman symbol and sorting information- Update

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In February 2020, France has signed an ambitious new law to reduce waste and establish a circular economy, Loi n° 2020-105 relative à la lutte contre le gaspillage et à l'économie circulaire (Law No. 2020-105 Regarding a Circular Economy and the Fight Against Waste), also called AGECE law. The implementing Decree 2021-835 was published on June 30th, 2021 and provides more details on the labelling.

This law covers a wide range of products and it requires every household product including textiles to carry the Triman logo as well as an additional sorting information. The Triman logo is nothing new, it is already mandatory for household products that fall under the Extended Producer Responsibility System (EPR), however the AGECE law gives it a new legal frame and provides the possibility for fines in case of missing labelling.

The new sorting information is developed by the eco-organization Re_fashion and has been approved by the ministry beginning of February 2022. Re_fashion has published a guideline in order to help industries comply with the law under the following [link](#).

PLACEMENT OF THE LABELLING

The information shall appear on the product, or its packaging or, if not possible, e.g. due to size, on the documentation accompanying the product. It is also possible to attach the information as a sticker.

There are also exemptions for products < 10cm² in size and between 10 and 20 cm² in size.



TIMELINES

The obligation to label with the Triman logo and additional sorting information is valid from January 1st, 2022. However, there is a 12-month transition phase from the date of publication, which makes it mandatory by February 1st, 2023.

Products manufactured before the release date of the sorting info, will receive additional 6 months for ensuring compliance until August 1st, 2023.

SOURCES

<https://refashion.fr/pro/en/what-epr>

<https://www.legifrance.gouv.fr/jorf/id/JORFTEXT000043714227>

https://www.legifrance.gouv.fr/codes/section_lc/LEGITEXT000006074220/LEGISCTA000006108630/2022-01-01/#LEGISCTA000006108630

[anti-waste law in the daily lives of french people.pdf \(europa.eu\)](#)

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