



**SCREENING CHAPTER 01  
FREE MOVEMENT OF GOODS**

**AGENDA ITEM: TOYS**

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## TRANSPOSITION OF TOYS DIRECTIVE

“Toys Regulation” was published in 17 May 2002 (amended in 18 November 2003) to transpose;

- Council Directive 88/378/EEC of 3 May 1988 and,
- Council Directive 93/68/EEC of 22 July 1993 amending Directive 88/378/EEC

The regulation is effective since 17 November 2003.

The Ministry of Health (MoH) is responsible authority for implementing the legislation.

The process of exchange of opinion on the regulation between Turkey and the EU continues.



## TOYS REGULATION

- “Toys” definition and its exclusions
- General and particular principles of mandatory essential requirements
- Reference to the harmonised standards
- Conformity assessment procedures
- “CE-marking” and free circulation of toys
- Market surveillance



## EXCHANGE OF OPINION WITH THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION

- The transposed Regulation was sent to the European Commission.
- The process of exchange of opinion with the European Commission is continuing.



## HARMONISED STANDARDS

- Harmonised EU standards were transposed and their reference numbers published in the OG of 15 November 2003

Reference (TR)	Reference (EU)	Standards
TS 5217 EN 71-1	EN 71-1	Physical & mechanical risk
TS 5218 EN 71-2	EN 71-2	Flammability
TS 5219 EN 71-3	EN 71-3	Chemical risk - Migration limits
TS EN 71-4	EN 71-4	Chemical experiments
TS EN 71-5	EN 71-5	Other chemical toys
TS EN 71-6	EN 71-6	Symbols - Warning as to the minimum age
TS EN 71-7(*)	EN 71-7	Finger Paints
TS EN 71-8 (*)	EN 71-8	Swings, slides and similar activity toys
TS EN 50088	EN 50088	Electrical risk

(\*) Not published yet in the OG



## NOTIFIED BODIES

- Toys Regulation constitutes the same procedures for conformity assessment, as laid down in 88/378/EEC (amended by 93/68/EEC)
  - ✓ Self certification
  - ✓ Type examination by NBs
- The criteria for the approval of the NBs are determined in the OG of 28 February 2004.
- Neither the MoH has received any application nor designated any NB.

## IMPLEMENTATION

- Central and local services of the MoH are in charge of implementing the provisions of the regulation;
  - ✓ Market Surveillance and Vigilance Division of the MoH (1 head of unit – 3 technical staff)
  - ✓ Inspectors working in the Provincial Health Directorates in 81 provinces
- TSE labs are used for market surveillance purpose



## LEGAL BASIS FOR MARKET SURVEILLANCE

- The Law No. 4703 on the Preparation and Implementation of Technical Legislation on Products (Published in the OG No. 24459, dated 11.7.2001)
- Implementing Regulation of Law No. 4703 on the Market Surveillance
- Toys Regulation





## MARKET SURVEILLANCE

- Mainly label and documentary controls on the basis of;
  - ✓ random checks
  - ✓ consumer complaints
- As a result of the market surveillance activities in 2005, 68 types of products were found as non-conforming with the provisions of the directives and upon the request of the MoH, manufacturers and importers of these products agreed to withdraw from the market and to make necessary corrections.



## OTHER SURVEILLANCE ACTIONS

- Information for consumers, manufacturers, importers through internet;
  - ✓ Implementation of the regulation such as CE-marking and conformity assessment
  - ✓ Frequently Asked Questions
  - ✓ Consumer's Guide
  - ✓ Potential risks of toys, etc.



## PARTICIPATION IN EXPERTS GROUPS

Limited attendance to the Working Group (Toys safety experts group).



THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION