



### NOTIFICATION

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.6

<b>1. Notifying Member:</b> <u>UNITED KINGDOM</u> <b>If applicable, name of local government involved (Article 3.2 and 7.2):</b>
<b>2. Agency responsible:</b> Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (Defra) <b>Name and address (including telephone and fax numbers, email and website addresses, if available) of agency or authority designated to handle comments regarding the notification shall be indicated if different from above:</b> UK TBT Enquiry Point Trade Policy Group Department for International Trade Old Admiralty Building London SW1A 2DY <a href="mailto:TBTEnquiriesUK@trade.gov.uk">TBTEnquiriesUK@trade.gov.uk</a>
<b>3. Notified under Article 2.9.2 [X], 2.10.1 [ ], 5.6.2 [ ], 5.7.1 [ ], 3.2 [ ], 7.2 [ ], other:</b>
<b>4. Products covered (HS or CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable):</b> Electrical and electronic equipment (EEE). More detail on product coverage can be found in Part 1 of Schedule 1 to the Restriction of the Use of Certain Hazardous Substances in Electrical and Electronic Equipment Regulations 2012 (RoHS Regulations). The HS code that applies is electrical components in general (31.020)
<b>5. Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document:</b> The Hazardous Substances (Legislative Functions) (Fees) (EU Exit) Regulations 2022 (the 2020 Regulations); (3 page(s), in English)
<b>6. Description of content:</b> Introducing a regulation that makes provision for the charging of fees for processing applications for new exemptions, renewals of exemptions and revocations of exemptions from restrictions in the RoHS Regulations.
<b>7. Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable:</b> Under the current system the cost of determining applications for exemptions has been transferred to the UK taxpayer. In keeping with the UK principles of Managing Public Money the UK Government is now consulting on making regulations to make provision for the charging of fees to recover this cost from organisations that submit applications for exemptions under the 2020 Regulations on a cost recovery basis. Charges will apply equally to both domestic and non-domestic applicants.

**8. Relevant documents:**

The Restriction of the Use of Certain Hazardous Substances in Electrical and Electronic Equipment Regulations 2012

<https://www.legislation.gov.uk/uksi/2012/3032/contents/made>

The Hazardous Substances and Packaging (Legislative Functions and Amendment) (EU Exit) Regulations 2020

<https://www.legislation.gov.uk/uksi/2020/1647/made>

Consultation on charging fees for applications for exemptions to restrictions in the Restriction of Certain Hazardous Substances in Electrical and Electronic Equipment Regime

**9. Proposed date of adoption:** 8 December 2022

**Proposed date of entry into force:** 6 April 2023

**10. Final date for comments:** 60 days from notification

**11. Texts available from: National enquiry point [X] or address, telephone and fax numbers and email and website addresses, if available, of other body:**

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