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COMMISSION IMPLEMENTING DECISION (EU) 2025/1457

of 16 July 2025

amending Implementing Decision (EU) 2023/2723 as regards the withdrawal of the reference to harmonised standard EN 60335-2-60:2003 on particular requirements for whirlpool baths and whirlpool spas, and as regards the publication with restriction of the reference to harmonised standards EN 60335-1:2012 on general requirements for household and similar electrical appliances, as well as EN 60335-2-27:2013 on particular requirements for appliances for skin exposure to ultraviolet and infrared radiation

(Text with EEA relevance)

THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union,

Having regard to Regulation (EU) No 1025/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 October 2012 on European standardisation, amending Council Directives 89/686/EEC and 93/15/EEC and Directives 94/9/EC, 94/25/EC, 95/16/EC, 97/23/EC, 98/34/EC, 2004/22/EC, 2007/23/EC, 2009/23/EC and 2009/105/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council and repealing Council Decision 87/95/EEC and Decision No 1673/2006/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council ⁽¹⁾, and in particular Article 11(1), point (b), thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) In accordance with Article 12 of Directive 2014/35/EU of the European Parliament and the Council ⁽²⁾, electrical equipment manufactured in conformity with a harmonised standard, the reference to which has been published in the *Official Journal of the European Union*, is to be presumed to comply with the essential health and safety requirements covered by such harmonised standard.
- (2) By letter M/511 of 8 November 2012, the Commission made a request to the European Committee for Standardisation (CEN), the European Committee for Electrotechnical Standardisation (Cenelec) and the European Telecommunications Standards Institute (ETSI) to provide the first full list of the titles of harmonised standards and for the drafting, revision and the completion of harmonised standards, for electrical equipment designed for use within certain voltage limits in support of Directive 2014/35/EU ('the request').
- (3) On the basis of the request, CEN and Cenelec drafted harmonised standard EN 60335-2-60:2003, on whirlpool baths and whirlpool spas, as amended by EN 60335-2-60:2003/A1:2005, EN 60335-2-60:2003/A2:2008, EN 60335-2-60:2003/A12:2010 and EN 60335-2-60:2003/A11:2010; EN 60335-1:2012, on household and similar electrical appliances, as amended by EN 60335-1:2012/A11:2014, EN 60335-1:2012/A13:2017, EN 60335-1:2012/A1:2019, EN 60335-1:2012/A14:2019, EN 60335-1:2012/A2:2019, EN 60335-1:2012/A15:2021 and corrected by EN 60335-1:2012/AC:2014; and EN 60335-2-27:2013, on appliances for skin exposure to ultraviolet and infrared radiation, as amended by EN 60335-2-27:2013/A1:2020 and EN 60335-2-27:2013/A2:2020 and corrected by EN 60335-2-27:2013/AC:2021-11. The references of those standards are published in the *Official Journal of the European Union* by Commission Implementing Decision (EU) 2023/2723 ⁽³⁾.

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 316, 14.11.2012, p. 12, ELI: <http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2012/1025/oj>.

⁽²⁾ Directive 2014/35/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 26 February 2014 on the harmonisation of the laws of the Member States relating to the making available on the market of electrical equipment designed for use within certain voltage limits (OJ L 96, 29.3.2014, p. 357, ELI: <http://data.europa.eu/eli/dir/2014/35/oj>).

⁽³⁾ Commission Implementing Decision (EU) 2023/2723 of 6 December 2023 on harmonised standards for electrical equipment drafted in support of Directive 2014/35/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council (OJ L, 2023/2723, 13.12.2023, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/dec_impl/2023/2723/oj).

- (4) In December 2014, the Netherlands lodged a formal objection in accordance with Article 11 of Regulation (EU) No 1025/2012 to harmonised standard EN 60335-2-60:2003, as amended by EN 60335-2-60:2003/A1:2005, EN 60335-2-60:2003/A2:2008, EN 60335-2-60:2003/A11:2010 and EN 60335-2-60:2003/A12:2010.
- (5) The formal objection states that the harmonised standard EN 60335-2-60:2003, as amended, does not meet the safety objectives set out in point 1(c) of Annex I to Directive 2014/35/EU, in conjunction with points 2(a), 2(b) and 2(d) of that Annex. The Netherlands argues that the standard takes insufficient account of the rules for installation as set out in the standards series IEC 60364 on low-voltage electrical installations. This results in products complying with the harmonised standard but still failing to comply with the safety objectives set out in Directive 2014/35/EU. The Netherlands adds that the conditions applicable to swimming pools and similar facilities, such as spas for outdoor use, must be considered. For such products, there is an increased risk of electric shock resulting from a reduction in body resistance and contact of the body with earth potential. Therefore, the Netherlands states that under harmonised standard EN 60335-2-60:2003, as amended, a fatal accident could occur the first time that a defect manifests.
- (6) Since December 2014, the formal objection has been regularly discussed in the Low Voltage Directive Working Party and the Committee on Electrical Equipment. These discussions eventually led to an agreement between CEN-Cenelec and the Netherlands on a new draft of the standard in 2021. However, this new draft standard has still not been offered for publication to the Commission. The formal objection raised by the Netherlands was discussed again by the Committee on Electrical Equipment in its meeting on 25 June 2024.
- (7) Having examined standard EN 60335-2-60:2003, as amended, together with Member States' representatives on the Committee on Electrical Equipment, the Commission concluded that the harmonised standard fails to meet the safety objectives set out in point 1(c) of Annex I to Directive 2014/35/EU, in conjunction with points 2(a), 2(b) and 2(d) of that Annex.
- (8) On 25 May 2023, Germany raised a formal objection in accordance with Article 11 of Regulation (EU) No 1025/2012 to harmonised standard EN 60335-1:2012, as amended by EN 60335-1:2012/A11:2014, EN 60335-1:2012/A13:2017, EN 60335-1:2012/A1:2019, EN 60335-1:2012/A2:2019, EN 60335-1:2012/A14:2019 and EN 60335-1:2012/A15:2021 and corrected by EN 60335-1:2012/AC:2014.
- (9) The formal objection raised by Germany states that the harmonised standard does not meet the safety objectives set out in point 2(c) of Annex I to Directive 2014/35/EU. Germany argues that the standard provides for a test for the accessibility of moving parts with a test probe which is intended to replicate the human hand, however the referred test probe does not take into account the essential human body dimensions and does not realistically represent the human hand as it is only similar to the appropriate probe to be used for such type of test.
- (10) The formal objection raised by Germany was discussed by the Committee on Electrical Equipment in its meeting on 25 June 2024.
- (11) Having examined harmonised standard EN 60335-1:2012, as amended, together with Member States' representatives on the Committee on Electrical Equipment, the Commission concluded that the harmonised standard fails to meet the safety objectives set out in point 2(c) of Annex I to Directive 2014/35/EU.
- (12) On 6 July 2023, France raised a formal objection in accordance with Article 11 of Regulation (EU) No 1025/2012 to harmonised standard EN 60335-2-27:2013, as amended by EN 60335-2-27:2013/A1:2020 and EN 60335-2-27:2013/A2:2020 and corrected by EN 60335-2-27:2013/AC:2021-11.
- (13) The formal objection of France states that the harmonised standard does not meet the safety objectives set out in point 1(a) of Annex I to Directive 2014/35/EU. France argues that the conditions of use indicated in the text and in the normative annex of the harmonised standard through the classification of appliances based on use and user categories are not in line with the safety objectives set out in Annex I to Directive 2014/35/EU.

- (14) The formal objection raised by France was discussed by the Committee on Electrical Equipment in its meeting on 25 June 2024.
- (15) Having examined harmonised standard EN 60335-2-27:2013, as amended, together with Member States' representatives on the Committee on Electrical Equipment, the Commission concluded that the standard fails to meet the essential safety objectives set out in point 1(a) of Annex I to Directive 2014/35/EU.
- (16) Taking into consideration the need to improve safety aspects of harmonised standard EN 60335-2-60:2003, as amended, and pending a suitable revision of that standard, the reference of harmonised standard EN 60335-2-60:2003, together with the references of any amending standards thereto, does not provide a presumption of conformity with the basic health and safety requirements laid down in Directive 2014/35/EU. As a consequence, the reference of harmonised standard EN 60335-2-60:2003, together with the references of any amending standards thereto, should be withdrawn from the *Official Journal of the European Union*. In order to give manufacturers sufficient time to adapt their electrical equipment that is covered by harmonised standard EN 60335-2-60:2003 as amended, it is necessary to defer the withdrawal of the references to that standard.
- (17) Harmonised standards EN 60335-1:2012, as amended by EN 60335-1:2012/A11:2014, EN 60335-1:2012/A13:2017, EN 60335-1:2012/A1:2019, EN 60335-1:2012/A14:2019, EN 60335-1:2012/A2:2019 and EN 60335-1:2012/A15:2021 and corrected by EN 60335-1:2012/AC:2014; and EN 60335-2-27:2013 as amended by EN 60335-2-27:2013/A1:2020 and EN 60335-2-27:2013/A2:2020 and corrected by EN 60335-2-27:2013/AC:2021-11 should therefore be maintained in the *Official Journal of the European Union* with a restriction.
- (18) Implementing Decision (EU) 2023/2723 should therefore be amended accordingly.
- (19) Compliance with a harmonised standard confers a presumption of conformity with the corresponding essential requirements set out in Union harmonisation legislation from the date of publication of the reference of such standard in the *Official Journal of the European Union*. This Decision should therefore enter into force on the date of its publication.
- (20) The measures provided for in this Decision are in accordance with the opinion of the committee referred to in Article 22(1) of Regulation (EU) No 1025/2012,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

Annex I to Implementing Decision (EU) 2023/2723 is amended in accordance with the Annex to this Decision.

Article 2

This Decision shall enter into force on the day of its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Union*.

However, point (1) of the Annex shall apply from 18 January 2027.

Done at Brussels, 16 July 2025.

For the Commission
The President
Ursula VON DER LEYEN

ANNEX

Annex I to Implementing Decision (EU) 2023/2723 is amended as follows:

- (1) rows 155, 176 and 206 are deleted;
- (2) the following rows are added in sequential order:

No	Reference of the standard
'155a.	EN 60335-1:2012 Household and similar electrical appliances – Safety – Part 1: General requirements EN 60335-1:2012/AC:2014 EN 60335-1:2012/A11:2014 EN 60335-1:2012/A13:2017 EN 60335-1:2012/A1:2019 EN 60335-1:2012/A14:2019 EN 60335-1:2012/A2:2019 EN 60335-1:2012/A15:2021 Restriction: The application of the following parts of standard EN 60335-1:2012, as last amended by A15:2021, does not confer a presumption of conformity with the safety objectives laid down in point 2(c) of Annex I to Directive 2014/35/EU: the part of clause 20.2 which refers to the test probe that is similar to test probe B.'
'176a.	EN 60335-2-27:2013 Household and similar electrical appliances – Safety – Part 2-27: Particular requirements for appliances for skin exposure to ultraviolet and infrared radiation EN 60335-2-27:2013/A1:2020 EN 60335-2-27:2013/A2:2020 EN 60335-2-27:2013/AC:2021-11 Notice: In this harmonised standard, the application of the following notes does not relate to, nor confer presumption of conformity with, the safety objectives laid down in Annex I to Directive 2014/35/EU: Note of clause 6.Z101 and Note 101 of clause BB.2 in Annex BB which provide a description on the locations where and by which user the different classifications of products within the scope of this harmonised standard can be used and, therefore, do not relate to the placing on the market.'