



COMMISSION IMPLEMENTING DECISION (EU) 2025/337

of 20 February 2025

on the harmonised standards for pyrotechnic articles drafted in support of Directive 2013/29/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council

(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 10(6) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) In accordance with Article 16 of Directive 2013/29/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council⁽²⁾, pyrotechnic articles that are in conformity with the relevant harmonised standards or the relevant parts thereof, the references of which have been published in the *Official Journal of the European Union*, are to be presumed to be in conformity with the essential safety requirements set out in Annex I to that Directive.
- (2) On 14 August 2007, the Commission issued standardisation request M/416 to support Directive 2007/23/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council⁽³⁾ to the European Committee for Standardization (CEN). In that request, the Commission invited CEN to draw up fireworks standards containing, among others, a list of articles falling under category P1 (pyrotechnic articles, other than fireworks and theatrical pyrotechnic articles, which present a low hazard), a list of articles which do not fall under that category as well as a procedure or criteria which determine which article falls under category P1. References to the standards adopted by CEN in response to that request were published in the *Official Journal of the European Union* on 12 May 2017 by means of Commission Communication 2017/C 149/01⁽⁴⁾, which replaced all the previous lists published in the *Official Journal of the European Union*.
- (3) By Commission Implementing Decision C(2022) 3011⁽⁵⁾ the Commission made a request to CEN for the revision of existing harmonised standards on pyrotechnic articles in support of Directive 2013/29/EU, which replaced and repealed Directive 2007/23/EC. In accordance with that Implementing Decision the standardisation mandate M/416 expired on 13 June 2022.
- (4) CEN revised the harmonised standards EN 15947-1:2015, EN 15947-2:2015, EN 15947-3:2015, EN 15947-4:2015 and EN 15947-5:2015, still on the basis of the standardisation mandate M/416 and adopted the new standards series EN 15947:2022, parts 1 to 5, on 5 October 2022. Those new standards superseded EN 15947:2015 series (parts 1 to 5). However, only parts 2 to 5 of the EN 15947:2022 series were submitted by

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

⁽²⁾ Directive 2013/29/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 12 June 2013 on the harmonisation of the laws of the Member States relating to the making available on the market of pyrotechnic articles (OJ L 178, 28.6.2013, p. 27, ELI: <http://data.europa.eu/eli/dir/2013/29/oj>).

⁽³⁾ Directive 2007/23/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 May 2007 on the placing on the market of pyrotechnic articles (OJ L 154, 14.6.2007, p. 1, ELI: <http://data.europa.eu/eli/dir/2007/23/oj>).

⁽⁴⁾ Commission communication 2017/C 149/01 in the framework of the implementation of Directive 2013/29/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council on the harmonisation of the laws of the Member States relating to the making available on the market of pyrotechnic articles (OJ C 149, 12.5.2017, p. 1).

⁽⁵⁾ Commission Implementing Decision C(2022) 3011 of 12 May 2022 on a standardisation request to the European Committee for Standardization as regards pyrotechnic articles in support of Directive 2013/29/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council.

CEN to the Commission for citation in the *Official Journal of the European Union*, as part 1 containing definitions of terminology, was considered not to be part of the presumption of conformity with any of the essential safety requirements of Directive 2013/29/EU.

- (5) By letter of 21 November 2023, the Commission informed CEN about its intention not to reference in the *Official Journal of the European Union* the standards EN 15947-2:2022, EN 15947-3:2022, EN 15947-4:2022 and EN 15947-5:2022, due to the fact that those standards do not satisfy the requirements set out in the standardisation request of Implementing Decision C(2022) 3011 and therefore do not implement the relevant essential safety requirements laid down in Directive 2013/29/EU.
- (6) Given that CEN considers the standards EN 15947-2:2022, EN 15947-3:2022, EN 15947-4:2022 and EN 15947-5:2022 to supersede the existing, currently cited standards (EN 15947-2:2015, EN 15947-3:2015, EN 15947-4:2015 and EN 15947-5:2015) those standards cannot be considered any longer to represent the state of the art and to satisfy the relevant essential safety requirements, also against the background that CEN confirmed its inability to develop and submit new standards in the near future. It is therefore necessary to withdraw the references to harmonised standards series EN 15947:2015 from the *Official Journal of the European Union*, as those standards have been revised by CEN and superseded by standards series EN 15947:2022.
- (7) As the definitions of terminology provided in the standards EN ISO 14451-1:2013, EN 15947-1:2015, EN 16256-1:2012 and EN 16261-1:2012, do not support any of the essential safety requirements laid down in Directive 2013/29/EU, it is therefore necessary to withdraw the references to those harmonised standards from the *Official Journal of the European Union*.
- (8) In the interests of clarity and transparency, a new complete list of references to harmonised standards adopted in support of Directive 2013/29/EU and satisfying the requirements they aim to cover should be published in a single act.
- (9) It is therefore appropriate to repeal Communication 2017/C 149/01.
- (10) 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.
- (11) The harmonised standards adopted in response to the standardisation requests may be subject to access to documents requests in accordance with Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001 of the European Parliament and of the Council ⁽⁶⁾. In its judgement of 5 March 2024 in Case C-588/21 P ⁽⁷⁾, *Public.Resource.Org and Right to Know v Commission and Others*, the Court recognised that there is an overriding public interest, within the meaning of Article 4(2) of Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001, justifying the disclosure of harmonised standards,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

The references to harmonised standards for pyrotechnic articles drafted in support of Directive 2013/29/EU, listed in Annex I to this Decision, are hereby published in the *Official Journal of the European Union*.

⁽⁶⁾ Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 30 May 2001 regarding public access to European Parliament, Council and Commission documents (OJ L 145, 31.5.2001, p. 43, ELI: <http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2001/1049/oj>).

⁽⁷⁾ Judgment of the Court of Justice of 5 March 2024, *Public.Resource.Org and Right to Know v Commission and Others*, C-588/21 P, ECLI:EU:C:2024:201.

Article 2

Communication 2017/C 149/01 is repealed.

However, it shall continue to apply to the references of harmonised standards listed in Annex II to this Decision until 24 March 2025.

Article 3

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

Done at Brussels, 20 February 2025.

For the Commission
The President
Ursula VON DER LEYEN

ANNEX I

No	Reference of the standard
1.	EN ISO 14451-2:2013 Pyrotechnic articles – Pyrotechnic articles for vehicles – Part 2: Test methods (ISO 14451-2:2013)
2.	EN ISO 14451-3:2013 Pyrotechnic articles – Pyrotechnic articles for vehicles – Part 3: Labelling (ISO 14451-3:2013)
3.	EN ISO 14451-4:2013 Pyrotechnic articles – Pyrotechnic articles for vehicles – Part 4: Requirements and categorization for micro gas generators (ISO 14451-4:2013)
4.	EN ISO 14451-5:2013 Pyrotechnic articles – Pyrotechnic articles for vehicles – Part 5: Requirements and categorization for airbag gas generators (ISO 14451-5:2013)
5.	EN ISO 14451-6:2013 Pyrotechnic articles – Pyrotechnic articles for vehicles – Part 6: Requirements and categorization for airbag modules (ISO 14451-6:2013)
6.	EN ISO 14451-7:2013 Pyrotechnic articles – Pyrotechnic articles for vehicles – Part 7: Requirements and categorization for seatbelt pretensioners (ISO 14451-7:2013)
7.	EN ISO 14451-8:2013 Pyrotechnic articles – Pyrotechnic articles for vehicles – Part 8: Requirements and categorization for igniters (ISO 14451-8:2013)
8.	EN ISO 14451-9:2013 Pyrotechnic articles – Pyrotechnic articles for vehicles – Part 9: Requirements and categorization for actuators (ISO 14451-9:2013)
9.	EN ISO 14451-10:2013 Pyrotechnic articles – Pyrotechnic articles for vehicles – Part 10: Requirements and categorization for semi-finished products (ISO 14451-10:2013)
10.	EN 16256-2:2012 Pyrotechnic articles – Theatrical pyrotechnic articles – Part 2: Categories of theatrical pyrotechnic articles
11.	EN 16256-3:2012 Pyrotechnic articles – Theatrical pyrotechnic articles – Part 3: Requirements for construction and performance
12.	EN 16256-4:2012 Pyrotechnic articles – Theatrical pyrotechnic articles – Part 4: Minimum labelling requirements and instructions for use
13.	EN 16256-5:2012 Pyrotechnic articles – Theatrical pyrotechnic articles – Part 5: Test methods
14.	EN 16261-2:2013 Pyrotechnic articles – Fireworks, Category 4 – Part 2: Requirements
15.	EN 16261-3:2012 Pyrotechnic articles – Fireworks, Category 4 – Part 3: Test methods
16.	EN 16261-4:2012 Pyrotechnic articles – Fireworks, Category 4 – Part 4: Minimum labelling requirements and instructions for use

ANNEX II

No	Reference of the standard
1.	EN ISO 14451-1:2013 Pyrotechnic articles – Pyrotechnic articles for vehicles – Part 1: Terminology (ISO 14451-1:2013)
2.	EN 15947-1:2015 Pyrotechnic articles – Fireworks, Categories F1, F2 and F3 – Part 1: Terminology
3.	EN 15947-2:2015 Pyrotechnic articles – Fireworks, Categories F1, F2, and F3 – Part 2: Categories and types of fireworks
4.	EN 15947-3:2015 Pyrotechnic articles – Fireworks, Categories F1, F2, and F3 – Part 3: Minimum labelling requirements
5.	EN 15947-4:2015 Pyrotechnic articles – Fireworks, Categories F1, F2 and F3 – Part 4: Test methods
6.	EN 15947-5:2015 Pyrotechnic articles – Fireworks, Categories F1, F2, and F3 – Part 5: Requirements for construction and performance
7.	EN 16256-1:2012 Pyrotechnic articles – Theatrical pyrotechnic articles – Part 1: Terminology
8.	EN 16261-1:2012 Pyrotechnic articles – Fireworks, category 4 – Part 1: Terminology