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Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade

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### NOTIFICATION

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.6

<b>1. Notifying Member:</b> <u>EUROPEAN UNION</u> <b>If applicable, name of local government involved (Article 3.2 and 7.2):</b>
<b>2. Agency responsible:</b> European Commission <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> European Commission, EU-TBT Enquiry Point, Fax: +(32) 2 299 80 43, E-mail: <a href="mailto:grow-eu-tbt@ec.europa.eu">grow-eu-tbt@ec.europa.eu</a> Website: <a href="http://ec.europa.eu/growth/tools-databases/tbt/en/">http://ec.europa.eu/growth/tools-databases/tbt/en/</a>
<b>3. Notified under Article 2.9.2 [X], 2.10.1 [ ], 5.6.2 [X], 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> Equipment for use outdoors (cleaning equipment, construction equipment, gardening equipment, loading and lifting equipment, power generators and cooling equipment, pumping and suction equipment, snowmobiles and snow groomers, waste collection, processing and recycling equipment) listed in Articles 12 and 13 and defined in Annex I to the Directive.
<b>5. Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document:</b> Draft Commission Delegated Regulation amending Directive 2000/14/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards the methods to measure airborne noise emitted by equipment for use outdoors; (7 page(s), in English), (24 page(s), in English)
<b>6. Description of content:</b> This proposal amends the methods to measure airborne noise emitted by equipment for use outdoors laid down in Annex III of Directive 2000/14/EC, which manufacturers need to comply with for the design and the conformity assessment of outdoor equipment.
<b>7. Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable:</b> Directive 2000/14/EC aims to protect human health and well-being of citizens as well as to protect the environment, by reducing noise emission by equipment for use outdoors. To achieve this, it is necessary to have up-to-date noise data of outdoor equipment on the market. The methods to measure airborne noise emitted by outdoor equipment have not been revised since the adoption of the Directive. It is therefore necessary to bring these methods in line with the technical progress; Protection of human health or safety; Protection of the environment

**8. Relevant documents:**

Directive 2000/14/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 8 May 2000 on the approximation of the laws of the EU Member States relating to the noise emission in the environment by equipment for use outdoors

<https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=celex:32000L0014>

Evaluation of Directive 2000/14/EC and supporting studies:

[https://single-market-economy.ec.europa.eu/sectors/mechanical-engineering/noise-emission-outdoor-equipment\\_en](https://single-market-economy.ec.europa.eu/sectors/mechanical-engineering/noise-emission-outdoor-equipment_en)

**9. Proposed date of adoption:** 3rd Quarter 2023

**Proposed date of entry into force:** 20 days from publication in the Official Journal of the EU (The provisions shall apply 24 months later)

**10. Final date for comments:** 60 days from notification**11. Texts available from: National enquiry point [ ] or address, telephone and fax numbers and email and website addresses, if available, of other body:**

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The text is available on the EU-TBT Website : <http://ec.europa.eu/growth/tools-databases/tbt/en/>

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