Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade

NOTIFICATION

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.4.

1. Party to Agreement notifying: NORWAY

2. Agency responsible: Directorate of Labour Inspection

3. Notified under Article 2.5.2 [X], 2.6.1 [], 7.3.2 [], 7.4.1 [], Other:

4. Products covered (HS applicable, otherwise national tariff heading):
   All kinds of woodworking machines intended for occupational use, including tools for the machines.

5. Title: Regulations for Woodworking Machines

6. Description of content: The proposed regulations deal with the mechanical safety of woodworking machines including their tools, and with dust extraction. The regulations lay down functional requirements instead of requirements for specific technical solutions, as in the existing regulations.

   The proposed regulations also lay down new requirements that are not in the existing regulations for tools to prevent kick-back of workpieces. They contain a requirement for automatic braking systems when run-down time exceeds more than 10 seconds and there is a risk of contact with tools.

7. Objective and rationale: Health and safety

8. Relevant documents: Norwegian Law Gazette

9. Proposed dates of adoption and entry into force: To be determined

10. Final date for comments: 15 January 1990

11. Texts available from: National enquiry point [X] or address of other body:

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