

**GENERAL AGREEMENT
ON TARIFFS AND TRADE**

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Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade

NOTIFICATION

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

1.	Party to Agreement notifying: <u>SWITZERLAND</u>
2.	Agency responsible: Federal Office of Public Health
3.	Notified under Article 2.5.2 [X], 2.6.1 [], 7.3.2 [], 7.4.1 [], other:
4.	Products covered (HS or CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable): Toys
5.	Title and number of pages of the notified document: Ordinance on the Safety of Toys
6.	Description of content: Amendment of Swiss law to comply with Directive 8/378/EEC. Due to lack of legal basis or compliance with the EU the following provisions of the guidelines could not be adopted: <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Articles 5 and 8, paragraph 1, provision a and paragraph 2, provision a as also Articles 10 and 11 concerning conformity label, type test;- Article 8, paragraph 1, provision b and paragraph 2, provision b concerning the obligation to have safety documentation available;- Article 9 concerning test laboratories.
7.	Objective and rationale: <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Health protection;- Adaptation of Swiss law to community law.
8.	Relevant documents: <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Legal bases: Food Law of 9 October 1992, Commodities Ordinance;- Adoption of international prescriptions: Guideline 88/378/EEC.
9.	Proposed date of adoption and entry into force: January 1995
10.	Final date for comments: 9 May 1994
11.	Texts available from: National enquiry point [X] or address and telefax number of other body: