NOTIFICATION

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.6.

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| **1.** | **Notifying Member:** MOROCCO**If applicable, name of local government involved (Articles 3.2 and 7.2):** |
| **2.** | **Agency responsible:***Ministère de l'Industrie, du Commerce et de l'Économie Verte et Numérique* (Ministry of Industry, Trade, and the Green and Digital Economy)*Direction Générale du Commerce* (Directorate-General for Trade)*Direction de la Protection du Consommateur, de la Surveillance du Marché et de la Qualité* (Department of Consumer Protection, Market Surveillance and Quality)**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:***Directeur de la Protection du Consommateur, de la Surveillance du Marché et de la Qualité* (Head of Consumer Protection, Market Surveillance and Quality)Parcelle 14, centre d'affaire aile nord, Bd Riad, Hay Riad, Rabat, MoroccoTel.: (+212) (0) 5 37 71 62 15Fax: (+212) (0) 5 37 71 17 98Email: dpcsmq@mcinet.gov.ma |
| **3.** | **Notified under Article 2.9.2 [X], 2.10.1 [ ], 5.6.2 [ ], 5.7.1 [ ], other:** |
| **4.** | **Products covered (HS or CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable):** Construction products |
| **5.** | **Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document:** - *Arrêté du ministre de l'industrie, du commerce et de l'économie verte et numérique relatif aux produits de construction* (Order of the Minister of Industry, Trade and the Green and Digital Economy on construction products); - *Décision du ministre de l'industrie, du commerce et de l'économie verte et numérique relative à la procédure d'attestation de conformité des ciments et autres liants hydrauliques* (Decision of the Minister of Industry, Trade, and the Green and Digital Economy on the procedure for attesting the conformity of cement and other hydraulic binders); - *Décision du ministre de l'industrie, du commerce et de l'économie verte et numérique relative à la procédure d'attestation de conformité des équipements fixes de circulation: candélabres d'éclairage public* (Decision of the Minister of Industry, Trade, and the Green and Digital Economy on the procedure for attesting the conformity of circulation fixtures: lighting columns); - *Décision du ministre de l'industrie, du commerce et de l'économie verte et numérique relative à la procédure d'attestation de conformité des carreaux et dalles céramiques* (Decision of the Minister of Industry, Trade, and the Green and Digital Economy on the procedure for attesting the conformity of ceramic tiles) |
| **6.** | **Description of content:*** The aforementioned Order of the Minister of Industry, Trade, and the Green and Digital Economy establishes the safety and performance requirements for construction products, and limits technical specifications to Moroccan standards. It specifies the detailed arrangements relating to the declaration of conformity of these products to be implemented by producers and importers prior to making them available on the market, the conformity assessment requirements, the elements constituting the technical file to be established and retained by producers and importers, and the conditions relating to the Cم marking.
* Three decisions by the Minister of Industry, Trade, and the Green and Digital Economy on the procedure for attesting the conformity of cement and other hydraulic binders, lighting columns and ceramic tiles have been issued in order to implement the aforementioned Order. These decisions set out the list of applicable Moroccan standards establishing technical specifications, intended use, key characteristics, and applicable systems of assessment and verification of constancy of performance.
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| **7.** | **Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable:** The notified Order seeks to strengthen the conformity assessment of construction products with a view to ensuring consumer protection, by guaranteeing that marketed products available to consumers meet the safety requirements set out in Law No. 24-09 on the safety of products and services, and by ensuring fair and equitable competition between the economic operators concerned. Consumer information; Labelling; Prevention of deceptive practices and consumer protection; Protection of human life and health; Protection of the environment; Reducing trade barriers and facilitating trade |
| **8.** | **Relevant documents:*** *Loi n° 24-09 du 16 Ramadan 1432 (17 août 2011) relative à la sécurité des produits et des services et complétant le Dahir du 9 Ramadan 1331 (12 août 1913) formant code des obligations et des contrats* (in particular, the first title thereof)
* *Décret n° 2.12.502 du 2 rejeb 1434 (13 mai 2013) pris pour l'application du titre premier de la loi n° 24-09 relative à la sécurité des produits et des services et complétant le dahir du 9 ramadan 1331 (12 aout 1913) formant code des obligations et des contrats, notamment son article premier* (in particular Article 1 thereof)
* *Loi n° 12-06 relative à la normalisation, à la certification et à l'accréditation, promulguée par le dahir N° 1.10.15 du 26 Safar 1431 (11 Février 2010)* (in particular, Article 33 thereof)
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| **9.** | **Proposed date of adoption:** 2 August 2021**Proposed date of entry into force:** 2 February 2022; Six months as from adoption |
| **10.** | **Final date for comments:** 60 days from the date of notification |
| **11.** | **Texts available from: National enquiry point [ ] or address, telephone and fax numbers and email and website addresses, if available, of other body:**Ministère de l'Industrie, du Commerce et de l'Économie Verte et Numérique.Direction Générale du CommerceDirection de la Protection du Consommateur, de la Surveillance du Marché et de la Qualité (DPCSMQ)Tel.: (+212) 5 37 71 62 15Fax: (+212) 5 37 71 17 98Email: dpcsmq@mcinet.gov.ma<http://www.mcinet.gov.ma/fr/content/surveillance-du-march%C3%A9> |