

**TRANSPOSITION NOTE: CHEMICALS (HAZARD INFORMATION AND PACKAGING FOR SUPPLY) (AMENDMENT)
REGULATIONS 2005**

**DIRECTIVE: EUROPEAN COMMISSION DIRECTIVE 2004/73/EC of 29 April 2004, ADAPTING TO TECHNICAL PROGRESS
FOR THE TWENTY NINTH TIME COUNCIL DIRECTIVE 67/548/EEC ON THE APPROXIMATION OF THE LAWS,
REGULATIONS AND ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS RELATING TO THE CLASSIFICATION, PACKAGING AND LABELLING
OF DANGEROUS SUBSTANCES**

Introduction

The Chemicals (Hazard Information and Packaging for Supply) (Amendment) Regulations 2005 implement Directive 2004/73/EC. This Directive adapts for the 29th time Annex I of the Dangerous Substances Directive (67/548/EEC).

The Dangerous Substances Directive sets out requirements to classify dangerous substances and, where they are supplied, to package and label them according to their hazards. Here, 'classification' means the outcome of a systematic process that identifies the hazardous properties of chemicals, eg explosive, flammable, toxic, carcinogenic, corrosive, irritant, harmful to aquatic organisms etc. The classifications are based on scientific evidence and trigger controls on storage (including major hazards sites) and use of these substances and products containing them.

Annex I of the Directive sets out the agreed classifications and labelling requirements for approximately 5000 substances. Classification also provides the basis for the Single Market in chemicals and determines the label and other information suppliers must provide about the hazards to human health, the environment or both. Adaptations to Technical Progress (ATPs) ensure that Annex 1 and other provisions of the Directive are kept up to date, in line with developing scientific knowledge and the development and commercialisation by industry of new and innovative substances. The regulations implement the 29th ATP to the Dangerous Substances Directive.

These regulations do what is necessary to implement the Directive, including making consequential changes to domestic legislation to ensure its coherence in the area to which they apply.

Articles:	Objective:	Implementation:	Responsibility:
Article 1	To implement the latest new and revised entries in Annex I of 67/548/EEC and the new and revised test methods in Annex V of 67/548/EEC. These amendments are made in accordance with the latest scientific evidence and available technology.	Regulation 2(2)(a) of the Chemicals (Hazard Information and Packaging for Supply) (Amendment) Regulations 2005 amends regulation 2(1) of the Chemicals (Hazard Information and Packaging for Supply) Regulations 2002. Annex I of 67/548/EEC is published in Great Britain as the Health and Safety Commission's (HSC) Approved Supply List. The HSC approves the revisions to the List, which reflect the latest changes to Annex I. Regulation 2(2)(a) of the amendment regulations substitutes for the definition of the "approved supply list" the document entitled "Information Approved for the Classification and Labelling of Dangerous Substances and Dangerous Preparations (Eighth Edition)" approved by the Health and Safety Commission on 26 July 2005(1);	Health and Safety Commission
