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Toxicology and Flammability
Requirements in Child Restraint
Systems Regulations in UN R44 and
UN R129



# From Regulation No. 44 - Rev.3 - Child Restraint Systems (E/ECE/TRANS/505/Rev.1/Add.43/Rev.3)

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### Toxicology – R129

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 System manufacturer shall
 declare in writing that the
 toxicity of materials used in the
 manufacture of restraint
 systems and accessible to the
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### Flammability R44

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### Flammability R129

6.3.1.2. The Child
Restraint System manufacturer
shall declare in writing that the
flammability of materials used to
manufacture the restraint
system is in conformity with the
relevant paragraphs of EN 712:2011. Tests confirming the
validity of the declaration may
be carried out at the discretion
of the Technical Service.

## **RATIONALE**



EN 71 2 and 3 contain various requirements for various materials
■ Need to specify the most appropriate materials that will cover those utilised in CRSs
Need to define which of part of EN 71 -2 and 3 we are referring to?  Test Method  Criteria
Chemical Substances – Other reg requirements & consumer testing
Clepa proposition derived from EN 71
Different references to EN 71-3 and EN 71-2 in R44 and R129 => Need to align!



## **Defining The Appropriate Material EN 71-3: 2013**

Table 1 — Cross-reference table fo	or determining	category	
Toy Material	Category I	Category II	Category III
Coatings of paints, varnishes, lacquers, printing inks, polymers, foams and similar coatings		7	×
Polymeric and similar materials, including laminates, whether textile reinforced or not, but excluding other textiles			х
Paper and paper board			X
Textiles, whether natural or synthetic			X
Glass, ceramic, metallic materials			X
Other materials whether mass coloured or not (e.g. wood, fibre board, hard board, bone and leather)			х
Compressed paint tablets, materials intended to leave a trace or similar materials in solid form appearing as such in the toy (e.g. the cores of colouring pencils, chalk, crayons)	×		
Pliable modelling materials, including modelling clays and plaster [3]	X		
Liquid paints, including finger paints, varnishes, lacquers, liquid ink in pens and similar materials in liquid form appearing as such in the toy (e.g., slimes, bubble solution)		×	
Glue sticks		Х	



# **EN 71-3 : 2013 – Migrations Limits** for heavy metals & other materials

	Migration limit				
Element	Category I mg/kg	Category II mg/kg	Category III mg/kg		
Aluminium	5 625	1 406	70 000		
Antimony	45	11,3	560		
Arsenic	3,8	0,9	47		
Barium	1 500	375	18 750		
Boron	1 200	300	15 000		
Cadmium	1,3	0,3	17		
Chromium (III)	37,5	9.4	460		
Chromium (VI)	0,02	0,005	0,2		
Cobalt	10,5	2,6	130		
Copper	622,5	156	7 700		
Lead	13,5	3,4	160		
Manganese	1 200	300	15 000		
Mercury	7.5	1,9	94		
Nickel	75	18,8	930		
Selenium	37,5	9.4	460		
Strontium	4 500	1 125	56 000		
Tin	15 000	3 750	180 000		
Organic tin	0,9	0,2	12		
Zinc	3 750	938	46 000		



# **REACH Regulation**

- ☐ Substances Of Very High Concern 161 subtances
  - ☐ Moving demands each year

	<u>Name</u>	EC Number	CΔS Nijimhar	<u>Date of</u> inclusion		<u>Decision</u> number	IUCLID 5 Substance Dataset
1	Bis (2-ethylhexyl)phthalate (DEHP)	204-211-0		2008/10/28	of concern having probable serious effects to the environment (Article 57 f); Toxic for reproduction (article 57c)	ED/108/2014  ED/67/2008	
	2-(2H-benzotriazol-2-yl)-4,6-ditertpentylphenol (UV-328)	247-384-8	25973-55-1			ED/108/2014	
3	2-benzotriazol-2-yl-4,6-di-tert-butylphenol (UV- 320)	223-346-6	3846-71-7		PBT (Article 57 d); vPvB (Article 57 e)	ED/108/2014	
4	2-ethylhexyl 10-ethyl-4,4-dioctyl-7-oxo-8-oxa- 3,5-dithia-4-stannatetradecanoate (DOTE)	239-622-4	15571-58-1	17/12/2014	Toxic for reproduction (Article 57 c)	ED/108/2014	
5	Cadmium fluoride	232-222-0	7790-79-6		Carcinogenic (Article 57 a); Mutagenic (Article 57 b); Toxic for reproduction (Article 57 c); Equivalent level of concern having probable serious effects to human health (Article 57 f)	ED/108/2014	



# Toxicity – 2015 EU Consumer Testing Protocol

- □ PAH substances
- □ Phthalate plasticisers
- ☐ Organic tin and phenolic compounds
- □ Formaldehyde
- ☐ Flame retardants , phosphatic and brominated
- □ Heavy metals



## How to deal with flammability

- Add flame retardant to the material that is in contact with the child
- But flame retardant may involve substances that
  - are or will be judged dangerous to child safety
  - That do not fulfil REACH requirements and or EN 71-2 requirements
  - That do not fulfil consumer testing existing and new demands



## EN 71-3: 2013 - Test Method

#### 7.3.3.4 Textiles, whether natural or synthetic (see H.7)

If possible obtain a test portion of not less than 100 mg of the textile material by cutting into test pieces.

Each test piece shall have at least one dimension of approximately 6 mm when possible (see H.6). The use of pre-prepared reference materials for visual size comparison is recommended.

If a sample is not uniform in its material or colour, a test portion shall be obtained from each different material present in a mass greater than 100 mg. A test portion present in a mass between 10 mg and 100 mg shall not be tested separately but shall be tested together with the material to which it is attached. Test portions taken from patterned textiles shall be representative of the whole material.



# **EN 71-2:2011-09 Test Method**

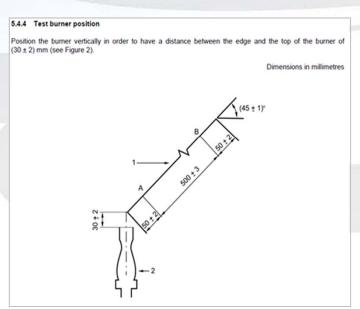
5.4 Test relating to flowing elements of toys to be worn on the head (except those covered

by 4.2.2 and 4.2.3), hoods, head-dresses, etc. and masks not covered by 4.2.4 which partially

or fully cover the head (e.g. fabric and cardboard masks, eye masks, face masks), toy

disguise costumes and toys intended to be entered or worn by a

child (see A.9)





# EN 71-2:2011-09 Requirement

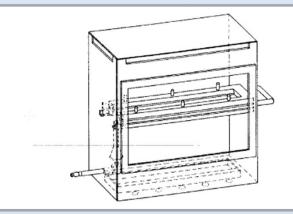
# 4.3 Toy disguise costumes and toys intended to be worn by a child in play (see A.5)

These include, for example, cowboy suits, nurses' outfits and long flowing capes not attached to headwear covered by 4.2.5.

When tested in accordance with 5.4, the rate of spread of flame of the test sample shall not exceed 30 mm/s or the test sample shall self-extinguish.

## TRANS/WP29./78/REV 3 REFERING TO R 34 & R118

Rate of flame: Moved From 200 mm/min to 100 mm/min in § 6.2.1.



Sample orientation: Horizontal



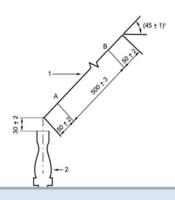
## Clepa Proposition



Rate of flame : Moved to 30 mm/s : 1800 mm/min

Position the burner vertically in order to have a distance between the edge and the top of the burner of  $(30\pm2)$  mm (see Figure 2).

Dimensions in millimetres



Sample orientation: 45°



# TRANS/WP29./78/REV 3 REFERING TO R 34 & R118



#### R118

#### - Scope:

• 1.1. This Regulation applies to the burning behaviour (ignitibility, burning rate and melting behaviour) of interior materials used in vehicles of categories M3, Classes II and III 1/, carrying more than 22 passengers, not being designed for standing passengers and urban use (city buses).



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- 6.1.5 The Child Restraint System manufacturer shall declare in writing that the toxicity of materials used in the manufacture of restraint systems and accessible to the restrained child is in conformity with the relevant parts of EN 71-3:2013 (paragraph 4.2., Table 2, Category III for specific requirements and paragraph 7.3.3. for test methodology). Tests confirming the validity of the declaration may be carried out at the discretion of the Technical Service. This paragraph does not apply to restraint devices of groups II and III."



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- The Child Restraint System manufacturer shall declare in writing that the flammability of materials used to manufacture the Child Restraint System is in conformity with the method of section 5.4 of EN 71-2:2011+A1:2014 with a maximum rate of spread of flame of 30 mm/s. Tests confirming the validity of the declaration may be carried out at the discretion of the Technical Service. Where fabrics are assembled together, these shall be tested as a composite."





Various manufacturers have tested fabrics, energy absorbing elements, harness components includiing EPS, Polyester, , Polyamid, Coton, PU, and composite

Manufacturer	Sample	Flamme retardant	Regula	ition 118	Test EN 71-2 2011 +A1: 04/2014 §5.4	
		retardant	Burning rate mm/min	Burning rate mm/sec	Burning rate mm/sec	
Α	1	No	118 /Self Extinguishing	2.0 Self Extinguishing	2,2	
Α	2	yes	Do Not Ignite	Do Not Ignite	Do Not Ignite	
Α	3	yes	Self extinguishing	Self extinguishing	29,9	
Α	4	no	86,8	1,4	3,2	
Α	5	yes	Do Not Ignite	Do Not Ignite	1,1	
Α	6	yes	Do Not Ignite	Do Not Ignite	7,5	
Α	7	no	54,4	0,9	19,0	
Α	8	yes	Do Not Ignite	Do Not Ignite	6,5	
В	9	No	43	0,7	17,05	
В	10	No	140	2,3	13,74	
В	11	Yes	0	0,0	ignited but extinguished	
В	12	No	78	1,3	11,42	
В	13	No	0	0,0	7,91	
В	14	No	180	3,0	11,72	
В	15	No	138,6	2,3	7,73	
В	16	No	152	2,5	9,43	
С	17	Yes	4,8	0,1	0	
С	18	Yes	8,9	0,1	90	
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## CONCLUSIONS



- For child safety need to balance flammability requirements with those related to toxicity
- Important to refer to EN 71 regulation as it deals with intems in contact with child
- Important also to define exactly which testing methods and corresponding criteria
- Need to align both R129 and R44
- Clepa is asking GRSP to consider its proposition in light of these explanatory notes

