

Practices to survey the safety of products sold online

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EU level information gathering through stakeholder process

- Part of the expertise collected relates to market surveillance good practices
- Consultation with EU Member States and stakeholders
- Study

On good practices in market surveillance activities related to non-food consumer products sold online

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Strategy & planning

- Vast amount of products sold online
- Proactive surveillance
- Reactive surveillance: e.g.

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Organisation of market surveillance

- Useful to designate central units
- Importance of guidelines and trainings on online investigation and best practices
- Connection between investigations linked to the economic rights of consumers and product safety





Some specificities of online investigations



- Lack of access to the physical product and difficulties of sampling
- Benefits of conducting "mystery shopping"
- Challenges of finding the economic operators
- Particularity of evidence gathering



Corrective actions

- Corrective actions depending on the location of the economic operator
- Cooperation among EU Member States
- Economic operator located outside the EU
- Corrective action specific to products sold online: "notice and action "





Additional EU level current tools

• RAPEX notification on products sold online

• EC supported joint market surveillance actions among EU Member States - online component

