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***NATIONAL MARKET SURVEILLANCE  
PROGRAMME***

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## **1. GENERAL MARKET SURVEILLANCE ORGANISATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE**

The Malta Competition and Consumer Affairs Authority was set up to amalgamate the operations of the former Malta Standards Authority and the Consumer and Competition Division. The MCCA was set up in May 2013 and consists of four distinct entities, namely the Technical Regulations Division, the Office for Consumer Affairs, the Office for Competition and the Standards and Metrology Institute.

The Technical Regulations Division is made up of the Regulatory Affairs Directorate, responsible for transposition of technical European regulations and directives into Maltese law and the Market Surveillance Directorate, which is the sole Market Surveillance Authority for Malta for non-food and non-medicinal products.

### **1.1. Identification and responsibilities of national market surveillance authorities**

As mentioned above the Market Surveillance Directorate (MSD-TRD) within the Technical Regulations Division of the MCCA has the responsibility to ensure that only safe non-food and non-medicinal products are found on the market in Malta, both for old approach products as well as for those products falling under the New Approach Directives and Regulations. Hence market surveillance in Malta is centralized within the MSD-TRD.

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MSD-TRD currently consists of 6 persons including the Head of the directorate, 2 Scientists, 1 Engineer and 2 Product Safety Officers. It is envisaged that an additional 3 persons join the directorate in the near future.

### **1.2. Coordination and cooperation mechanisms between national market surveillance authorities**

As MSD-TRD is the sole Market Surveillance Authority for Malta, there is no need for coordination and cooperation mechanisms to be in place. Notwithstanding this fact, MSD-TRD does coordinate and cooperate with other Maltese entities responsible for the proper function of the market surveillance function, such as Customs, responsible for border control, and the Malta Communications Authority (MCA), responsible for the wireless spectrum in Malta.

### **1.3. Cooperation between national market surveillance authorities and customs**

A Memorandum of Understanding has been drawn up and signed between MSD-TRD and Customs for the sharing of information and cooperation in enforcement. Apart from this formal instrument of agreement, most operations take place on an ad hoc basis with a number of contacts being established between MSD-TRD and Customs, with contacts taking place using electronic and voice communication media, primarily.

In view of the small size of the country, inspections and exchange of samples between Customs and MSD-TRD are common and have been found to be very efficient and effective, with decisions taken in a short period of time, thus proving to be a very reliable mode of operation.

Training of Customs officers by the Technical Regulations Division within MCCA has also been common and serve a dual purpose, ie to establish the requirements of the different product types falling under the responsibility of MSD-TRD and to establish a personal contact with the colleagues within the 2 entities.

### **1.4. Rapid information exchange system - RAPEX**

MSD-TRD is the National Rapex Contact Point for Malta. In view that it is also the sole market surveillance authority, communication and cooperation are very efficiently handled, thus necessitating very little bureaucracy and ensuring an efficient set up.

Notifications arising from Malta are known to all personnel within MSD-TRD as the unit is small and practically operates from one single room, thus enhancing communication and sharing of knowledge and information.

Reactions to notifications are handled by Malta by means of an email containing the information found on the Rapex portal on each individual product being forwarded to known importers and retailers, of the relevant product type, in Malta who are then expected to reply if they are either responsible and/or aware of the product being placed on the market in Malta either by themselves or by any other operator.

### **1.5. ICSMS information system**

Again, having a centralised system of market surveillance in Malta, ICSMS is one of the tools used by the officers and any information therein is made known to all officers promptly and with the minimum of bureaucracy.

MSD-TRD has undertaken training on the operations of ICSMS and uses the said platform for any information required on specific products. MSD-TRD has also uploaded some products whenever it is felt that such information would be beneficial for other Market Surveillance Authorities around Europe or when the baton needs to be passed to a member state for action from their side. Other authorities involved in some sort of market surveillance, such as Customs and MCA, have also attended the same training and use ICSMS as and when required.

### **1.6. General description of market surveillance activities and relevant procedures**

The Malta Competition and Consumer Affairs Authority is responsible for the safe placing on the market of all non-food products. To ensure such safe placing, the MCCA carries out the following operations:

- Inspections (proactive and/or reactive, seasonal and/or sectoral)

- Reaction to complaints and/or queries (from consumers, economic operators, other entities)
- RAPEX notifications (as well as other notifications, eg CPSC, ICSMS etc)
- Regulations (e.g. pesticides Maximum Residue Levels)

The MCCA reacts to complaints originating from all possible sources, such as consumers and economic operators, and received on all possible communication media such as voice, emails, newspapers and radio and television programmes.

When a complaint is received, the contact details of the complainant are registered and a complaint report may be drawn up, giving details of the complaint, the retail outlet the product was purchased from and the importer of the product into Malta. The latter operator is contacted and requested to demonstrate compliance of the products to the applicable legislation. Further action is taken as and when required until compliance of the product is ascertained or otherwise. If the product is not shown to be compliant, measures, proportionate to the non-conformance and risk profile drawn up, are taken to ensure the products on the market are safe.

Discussions are underway with the local health Authorities to gather information about injuries encountered in Malta, so as to enable a more reliable data to be gathered for drawing up Risk Assessments and risk profiles.

When a product is found to pose a high or serious risk to consumers, and it is ascertained that traceability of the product to the consumer is possible, such as in the case of motor vehicles, the economic operator responsible for placing the said product on the market is requested to inform consumers and or users and carry out the necessary measure to prevent possible injuries. In the case of consumer products for which traceability is not possible or is felt to cause possible problems, a press release is issued through the Government Department of Information and disseminated around the Maltese public.

Penalties for infringements of the Product Safety Act and/or the Pesticides Control Act only come into force following conviction by the law courts. Both laws mentioned fall under the criminal code and the penalties therein are commensurate with other criminal legal instruments, including fines, increasing in the case of subsequent indictment following the first and prison terms.

Economic operators are expected by the Product Safety Act to inform and collaborate with the Market Surveillance Directorate in case of identification of an unsafe product. This aspect is also mentioned in communication with economic operators in the case of a Rapex notification or of other notifications of unsafe products.

### **1.7. General framework of cooperation with other Member States and non-member states**

The MCCA is very active in joint actions undertaken by Prosafe as well as the various Adco groups. In fact, part of the National Market Surveillance programme for the subsequent year takes into account the various joint actions being held around Europe as mentioned.

Malta is also active in the exchange of officials programme operated by the EU Commission, in which colleagues from Malta and other members states visit each other to learn about specific product groups and/or directives and regulations.

The MCCA also takes part in the Rapid Advise Forum operated by Prosafe as well and contributes towards discussions and sharing of information and knowledge amongst member states. Apart from this, the MCCA undertakes one-to-one discussions through emails and other media forms on specific issues arising accordingly. Instances where such discussions arise are the encounter of products coming from specific member states, sharing of information on measures adopted on specific issues and also the facilitation of exchange of information between colleagues in other member states and colleagues in Malta not directly related to market surveillance.

### **1.8. Evaluation of Market surveillance actions and reporting**

The National Market Surveillance Programme for the preceding year is evaluated during the time that the programme for the following year is being drawn up, so as to take into account issues which failed to materialise and the reason which such failure occurred. Moreover, during the same time, the possibility of carrying over to the following year operations which had been left undone during the previous year is examined and evaluated, so as to establish the need for a second attempt to be undertaken or otherwise drop the proposed action altogether.

The evaluations of the National Market Surveillance Programme are not made public, but the results of the programme itself are.

### **1.9. Horizontal activities planned for the relevant period**

A number of dossiers involving dangerous chemicals have been taken over by MCCA-TRD from the Malta Environment and Planning Authority during the last quarter of 2014 and 2015 will be the first full year of operations on these products. These new dossiers include PIC, POPS, packaging waste and other regulations and/or directives. Hence, apart from establishing the operations required for proper monitoring and enforcement on these new legislations, new recruits will have to be enrolled, as detailed above, and trained to cover these product types as well as other products already falling under the remit of the TRD-MSD.

A number of Taiex training initiatives have been established during the past years during which colleagues coming from member states not forming part of the European Union visit Malta for a few days in order to exchange information and knowledge on specific aspects falling under our remit, whilst also serving as a means by which they would give their views on the operational methods undertaken in Malta. This system is expected to continue also in the future.

## **2. MARKET SURVEILLANCE IN SPECIFIC SECTORS**

### **2.1. Sector - Medical Devices**

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Full-time staff equivalent on this sector- 0.1

Technical means- nil

2.1.2. *Market surveillance procedures and strategy*

Product group	Target group/s	Number of visits foreseen	Number of samples to be taken	Main motivation				Start date	End date
				Market monitoring ?	Enforcement ?	Knowledge building?	Knowledge Dissemination?		
Blood pressure measuring equipment	Agents	10	2	Secondary		Primary		Q1	Q4
Off the shelf prescription glasses	Agents	5	3	Secondary		Primary			
Blood sugar level measuring equipment	Agents	10	2	Secondary		Primary			
Reactions to notifications (1)					Primary				

(1)- Notifications include RAPEX notifications, complaints by economic operators and/or consumers and/or users, Customs requests, amongst others.

2.1.3. *Report from activities carried out under the previous planning period*

*During 2014, Medical Devices were dealt with on a complaints only basis, with reactions to notifications carried out. No pre-planned, pro-active enforcement was carried out on these products.*

## 2.2. Sector- Cosmetics

### 2.2.1. Responsible authority and contact details

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Full-time staff equivalent on this sector- 0.1

Technical means- Very limited chemical testing

Product group	Target group/s	Number of visits foreseen	Number of samples to be taken	Main motivation				Start date	End date
				Market monitoring?	Enforcement?	Knowledge building?	Knowledge Dissemination?		
General cosmetics	Retailers	10	5	Primary	Secondary			Q1	Q4
Reactions to notifications (1)					Primary				

(1)- Notifications include RAPEX notifications, complaints by economic operators and/or consumers and/or users, Customs requests, amongst others.

### 2.2.3 Report from activities carried out under the previous planning period

During 2014, 12 inspections on cosmetics were carried out involving 68 different products. Reactions to notifications and advice to Customs were also held according to matters arising.

## 2.3 Sector- Toys

### 2.3.1 Responsible authority and contact details

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Full-time staff equivalent on this sector- 0.5

Technical means- Limited chemical and mechanical testing

Product group	Target group/s	Number of visits foreseen	Number of samples to be taken	Main motivation					Start date	End date
				Market monitoring ?	?	Enforcement ?	Knowledge building?	Knowledge Dissemination?		
Toy cosmetics-chemical composition	Importers/Retailers	10	10	Primary		Secondary			Q1	Q4
Toy scooters (JA 2013)	Importers/Retailers	15	5	Primary		Secondary			Q1	Q4
Toys (JA2014)	Importers/Retailers	10	3			Secondary	Primary		Q2	Q4

Routine Inspections on general toys	Importers/ Retailers	50	10			Primary			Q1	Q4
Reactions to notifications (1)						Primary				

(1)- Notifications include RAPEX notifications, complaints by economic operators and/or consumers and/or users, Customs requests, amongst others.

2.3.2 Toys are one of the priority groups for MSD-TRD and hence they are covered considerably. Priority is also given to participation in joint actions such as those operated by Prosafe. During 2014, 32 inspections were carried out covering a total of 121 different products.

## 2.4 Sector- Personal Protective Equipment

### 2.4.1 Responsible authority and contact details

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Full-time staff equivalent on this sector- 0.1

Technical means- Limited chemical and mechanical testing

Product group	Target group/s	Number of visits foreseen	Number of samples to be taken	Main motivation					Start date	End date
				Market monitoring ?	?	Enforcement ?	Knowledge building?	Knowledge Dissemination?		

	Importers/ Retailers	10	10	Primary		Secondary			Q1	Q4
Chemicals in clothing (JA 2013)	Importers/ Retailers		3			Secondary	Primary		Q1	
Reactions to notification s (1)						Primary				

(1)- Notifications include RAPEX notifications, complaints by economic operators and/or consumers and/or users, Customs requests, amongst others.

## 2.5 Sector- Construction Products

### 2.5.1 Responsible authority and contact details

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Full-time staff equivalent on this sector- 0.2

Technical means- Chemical and mechanical testing possible. Performance testing very limited.

Product group	Target group/s	Number of visits	Number of	Main motivation	Start date	End date
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		foreseen	samples to be taken	Market monitoring ?	?	Enforcement ?	Knowledge building?	Knowledge Dissemination?		
Concrete aggregate	Importers/ Retailers	10	10	Primary		Secondary			Q1	Q4
Reactions to notifications (1)						Primary				
Joint Action Smoke Detector	Importer	10	3				Primary		Q1	Q1

(1)- Notifications include RAPEX notifications, complaints by economic operators and/or consumers and/or users, Customs requests, amongst others.

## 2.6 Sector- Aerosol dispensers

### 2.6.1 Responsible authority and contact details

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Full-time staff equivalent on this sector- 0.1

Technical means- Very limited testing

Product group	Target group/s	Number of visits foreseen	Number of samples to be taken	Main motivation					Start date	End date
				Market monitoring ?	?	Enforcement ?	Knowledge building?	Knowledge Dissemination?		
Reactions to notifications (1)						Primary				

(1)- Notifications include RAPEX notifications, complaints by economic operators and/or consumers and/or users, Customs requests, amongst others.

## 2.7 Sector- Simple pressure vessels and pressure equipment

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Technical means- Very limited testing

Product group	Target group/s	Number of visits foreseen	Number of samples to be taken	Main motivation					Start date	End date
				Market monitoring ?	?	Enforcement ?	Knowledge building?	Knowledge Dissemination?		

Reactions to notifications (1)					Primary					
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(1)- Notifications include RAPEX notifications, complaints by economic operators and/or consumers and/or users, Customs requests, amongst others.

## 2.8 Sector- Transportable pressure equipment

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Full-time staff equivalent on this sector- 0.1

Technical means- Limited chemical and mechanical testing

Product group	Target group/s	Number of visits foreseen	Number of samples to be taken	Main motivation					Start date	End date
				Market monitoring ?	?	Enforcement ?	Knowledge building?	Knowledge Dissemination?		
Reactions to notifications (1)					Primary					

(1)- Notifications include RAPEX notifications, complaints by economic operators and/or consumers and/or users, Customs requests, amongst others.



## 2.9 Sector- Machinery

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Full-time staff equivalent on this sector- 0.3

Technical means- Limited mechanical and electrical testing

Product group	Target group/s	Number of visits foreseen	Number of samples to be taken	Main motivation				Start date	End date
				Market monitoring?	Enforcement?	Knowledge building?	Knowledge Dissemination?		
Stone cutting machinery	Manufacturers	5	0		Primary		Secondary	Q1	Q4
Reactions to notifications (1)					Primary				

(1)- Notifications include RAPEX notifications, complaints by economic operators and/or consumers and/or users, Customs requests, amongst others.

## 2.10 Sector- Lifts

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Full-time staff equivalent on this sector- 0.5

Technical means- Visual inspections

Product group	Target group/s	Number of visits foreseen	Number of samples to be taken	Main motivation				Start date	End date
				Market monitoring?	Enforcement?	Knowledge building?	Knowledge Dissemination?		
Lifts	Installations	15	0		Primary			Q1	Q4
Reactions to notifications (1)					Primary				

(1)- Notifications include RAPEX notifications, complaints by economic operators and/or consumers and/or users, Customs requests, amongst others.

## 2.11 Sector- Cableways

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Full-time staff equivalent on this sector- 0.1

Technical means- Not applicable

Product group	Target group/s	Number of visits foreseen	Number of samples to be taken	Main motivation				Start date	End date
				Market monitoring?	Enforcement?	Knowledge building?	Knowledge Dissemination?		
Reactions to notifications (1)					Primary				

(1)- Notifications include RAPEX notifications, complaints by economic operators and/or consumers and/or users, Customs requests, amongst others.

## 2.12 Sector- Noise emissions for outdoor equipment

### 2.12.1 Responsible authority and contact details

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Full-time staff equivalent on this sector- 0.1

Technical means- Limited testing

Product group	Target group/s	Number of visits foreseen	Number of samples to be taken	Main motivation				Start date	End date
				Market monitoring?	Enforcement?	Knowledge building?	Knowledge Dissemination?		
Reactions to notifications (1)					Primary				

(1)- Notifications include RAPEX notifications, complaints by economic operators and/or consumers and/or users, Customs requests, amongst others.

### 2.13 Sector- Equipment and protective Systems intended for use in Potentially Explosive Atmospheres

#### 2.13.1 Responsible authority and contact details

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Full-time staff equivalent on this sector- 0.1

Technical means- No testing

Product group	Target group/s	Number of visits foreseen	Number of samples to be taken	Main motivation				Start date	End date
				Market monitoring?	Enforcement?	Knowledge building?	Knowledge Dissemination?		
Reactions to notifications (1)					Primary				

(1)- Notifications include RAPEX notifications, complaints by economic operators and/or consumers and/or users, Customs requests, amongst others.

## 2.14 Sector- Pyrotechnics

### 2.14.1 Responsible authority and contact details

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Full-time staff equivalent on this sector- 0.2

Technical means- Limited testing

Product group	Target group/s	Number of visits foreseen	Number of samples to be taken	Main motivation				Start date	End date
				Market monitoring?	Enforcement?	Knowledge building?	Knowledge Dissemination?		

Reactions to notifications (1)					Primary				
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(1)- Notifications include RAPEX notifications, complaints by economic operators and/or consumers and/or users, Customs requests, amongst others.

## 2.15 Sector- Explosives for civil use

### 2.15.1 Responsible authority and contact details

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Full-time staff equivalent on this sector- 0.1

Technical means- Limited testing

Product group	Target group/s	Number of visits foreseen	Number of samples to be taken	Main motivation				Start date	End date
				Market monitoring?	Enforcement?	Knowledge building?	Knowledge Dissemination?		
Reactions to notifications (1)					Primary				

(1)- Notifications include RAPEX notifications, complaints by economic operators and/or consumers and/or users, Customs requests, amongst others.

## 2.16 Sector- Appliances burning gaseous fuels

### 2.16.1 Responsible authority and contact details

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Full-time staff equivalent on this sector- 0.2

Technical means- Limited testing

Product group	Target group/s	Number of visits foreseen	Number of samples to be taken	Main motivation				Start date	End date
				Market monitoring?	Enforcement?	Knowledge building?	Knowledge Dissemination?		
Gas cookers	Importers/retailers	10	0	Primary				Q1	Q4
Reactions to notifications (1)					Primary				

(1)- Notifications include RAPEX notifications, complaints by economic operators and/or consumers and/or users, Customs requests, amongst others.

## 2.17 Sector- Measuring instruments, Non-automatic weighing instruments and Pre-packaged products

### 2.17.1 Responsible authority and contact details

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Technical means- Limited testing

Product group	Target group/s	Number of visits foreseen	Number of samples to be taken	Main motivation				Start date	End date
				Market monitoring?	Enforcement?	Knowledge building?	Knowledge Dissemination?		
Reactions to notifications (1)					Primary				

(1)- Notifications include RAPEX notifications, complaints by economic operators and/or consumers and/or users, Customs requests, amongst others.

## 2.18 Sector- Electrical equipment under EMC

### 2.18.1 Responsible authority and contact details

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Full-time staff equivalent on this sector- 0.2

Technical means- Limited testing

Product group	Target group/s	Number of visits foreseen	Number of samples to be taken	Main motivation				Start date	End date
				Market monitoring?	Enforcement?	Knowledge building?	Knowledge Dissemination?		
Joint action ADCO	Importers	15	5	Primary					
Reactions to notifications (1)					Primary				

(1)- Notifications include RAPEX notifications, complaints by economic operators and/or consumers and/or users, Customs requests, amongst others.

## 2.19 Sector- Radio and telecom equipment under RTTE

### 2.19.1 Responsible authority and contact details

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Full-time staff equivalent on this sector- 0.1

Technical means- Limited testing

Product group	Target group/s	Number of visits foreseen	Number of samples to be taken	Main motivation				Start date	End date
				Market monitoring?	Enforcement?	Knowledge building?	Knowledge Dissemination?		
Joint Action ADCO	Importers	15	5			Primary			
Reactions to notifications (1)					Primary				

(1)- Notifications include RAPEX notifications, complaints by economic operators and/or consumers and/or users, Customs requests, amongst others.

## 2.20 Sector- Electrical appliance and equipment under LVD

### 2.20.1 Responsible authority and contact details

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Full-time staff equivalent on this sector- 0.4

Technical means- Limited testing

Product group	Target group/s	Number of visits foreseen	Number of samples to be taken	Main motivation				Start date	End date
				Market monitoring?	Enforcement?	Knowledge building?	Knowledge Dissemination?		

Joint Action ADCO	Importers	20	5			Primary			
Reactions to notifications (1)						Primary			

(1)- Notifications include RAPEX notifications, complaints by economic operators and/or consumers and/or users, Customs requests, amongst others.

## 2.21 Sector- Electrical and electronic equipment under ROHS and WEEE and batteries

### 2.21.1 Responsible authority and contact details

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Full-time staff equivalent on this sector- 0.1

Technical means- Limited testing

Product group	Target group/s	Number of visits foreseen	Number of samples to be taken	Main motivation				Start date	End date
				Market monitoring?	Enforcement?	Knowledge building?	Knowledge Dissemination?		
Joint Action ADCO	Importers	20	5			Primary			

Reactions to notifications (1)					Primary				
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(1)- Notifications include RAPEX notifications, complaints by economic operators and/or consumers and/or users, Customs requests, amongst others.

## 2.22A Sector- Chemical substances under REACH and classification and labelling Regulations

### 2.22A.1 Responsible authority and contact details

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Full-time staff equivalent on this sector- 0.2

Technical means- Limited testing

Product group	Target group/s	Number of visits foreseen	Number of samples to be taken	Main motivation				Start date	End date
				Market monitoring?	Enforcement?	Knowledge building?	Knowledge Dissemination?		
REACH Enforce?									
Reactions to notifications (1)					Primary				

(1)- Notifications include RAPEX notifications, complaints by economic operators and/or consumers and/or users, Customs requests, amongst others.

**2.22B Sector- Other chemicals (detergents, Paints, Persistent Organi Pollutants, Flourinated greenhouse gases, Ozone Depleting Substances, etc)**

*2.22B.1 Responsible authority and contact details*

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Full-time staff equivalent on this sector- 0.1

Technical means- Limited testing

Product group	Target group/s	Number of visits foreseen	Number of samples to be taken	Main motivation				Start date	End date
				Market monitoring?	Enforcement?	Knowledge building?	Knowledge Dissemination?		
PICs	Importers and exporters	5			Primary		Primary	Q1	Q4
F-gases	Importers and exporters	5		Primary	Primary			Q1	Q4
ODS	Importers and exporters	5		Primary	Primary			Q1	Q4

Reactions to notifications (1)					Primary				
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(1)- Notifications include RAPEX notifications, complaints by economic operators and/or consumers and/or users, Customs requests, amongst others.

## 2.23 Sector- Eco-design and energy labelling; Efficiency requirements for hot-boilers fired with liquid or gaseous fuels

### 2.23.1 Responsible authority and contact details

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Technical means- Limited testing

Product group	Target group/s	Number of visits foreseen	Number of samples to be taken	Main motivation				Start date	End date
				Market monitoring?	Enforcement?	Knowledge building?	Knowledge Dissemination?		
Enforcement	Retailers	30	10		Primary				
Reactions to notifications (1)					Primary				

(1)- Notifications include RAPEX notifications, complaints by economic operators and/or consumers and/or users, Customs requests, amongst others.

## 2.24 Sector- Tyre labelling

### 2.24.1 Responsible authority and contact details

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Technical means- Limited testing

Product group	Target group/s	Number of visits foreseen	Number of samples to be taken	Main motivation				Start date	End date
				Market monitoring?	Enforcement?	Knowledge building?	Knowledge Dissemination?		
Tyre labelling	Importers/ Retailers	10	0	Primary					
Reactions to notifications (1)					Primary				

(1)- Notifications include RAPEX notifications, complaints by economic operators and/or consumers and/or users, Customs requests, amongst others.

## 2.25 Sector- Recreational craft

### 2.25.1 Responsible authority and contact details

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Technical means- Limited testing

Product group	Target group/s	Number of visits foreseen	Number of samples to be taken	Main motivation				Start date	End date
				Market monitoring?	Enforcement?	Knowledge building?	Knowledge Dissemination?		
Reactions to notifications (1)					Primary				

(1)- Notifications include RAPEX notifications, complaints by economic operators and/or consumers and/or users, Customs requests, amongst others.

## 2.26 Sector- Marine equipment

### 2.26.1 Responsible authority and contact details

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Technical means- Limited testing

Product group	Target group/s	Number of visits foreseen	Number of samples to be taken	Main motivation				Start date	End date
				Market monitoring?	Enforcement?	Knowledge building?	Knowledge Dissemination?		
Reactions to notifications (1)					Primary				

(1)- Notifications include RAPEX notifications, complaints by economic operators and/or consumers and/or users, Customs requests, amongst others.

### 2.27 Sector- Motor vehicles

#### 2.27.1 Responsible authority and contact details

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Technical means- Limited testing

Product group	Target group/s	Number of visits foreseen	Number of samples to be taken	Main motivation				Start date	End date
				Market monitoring?	Enforcement?	Knowledge building?	Knowledge Dissemination?		
End of life vehicles	Importers	3					Primary	Q1	Q4
Meeting Importers	Importers	1					Primary		
Reactions to notifications (1)					Primary				

(1)- Notifications include RAPEX notifications, complaints by economic operators and/or consumers and/or users, Customs requests, amongst others.

## 2.28 Sector- Non-road mobile machinery

### 2.28.1 Responsible authority and contact details

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Full-time staff equivalent on this sector- 0.1

Technical means- Limited testing

Product group	Target group/s	Number of visits foreseen	Number of samples to be taken	Main motivation				Start date	End date
				Market monitoring?	Enforcement?	Knowledge building?	Knowledge Dissemination?		
Reactions to notifications (1)					Primary				

(1)- Notifications include RAPEX notifications, complaints by economic operators and/or consumers and/or users, Customs requests, amongst others.

## 2.29 Sector- Fertilisers

### 2.29.1 Responsible authority and contact details

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Technical means- Limited testing

Product group	Target group/s	Number of visits foreseen	Number of samples to be taken	Main motivation				Start date	End date
				Market monitoring?	Enforcement?	Knowledge building?	Knowledge Dissemination?		
Reactions to notifications (1)	Importers	10	0		Primary				

(1)- Notifications include RAPEX notifications, complaints by economic operators and/or consumers and/or users, Customs requests, amongst others.

## 2.30 Sector- Other consumer products under GPSD

### 2.30.1 Responsible authority and contact details

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Full-time staff equivalent on this sector- 1

Technical means- Limited mechanical and chemical testing

Product group	Target group/s	Number of visits foreseen	Number of samples to be taken	Main motivation				Start date	End date
				Market monitoring?	Enforcement?	Knowledge building?	Knowledge Dissemination?		
Children's clothing: General	Importers/ Retailers	5	5		Primary			Q1	Q4
Children's Clothing: Prosafe JA 2013: Clothing II	Importers/ Retailers	15	25	Primary				Q1	Q2
Child care articles- Prosafe JA 2013- Cots	Importers/ Retailers	10	5	Primary				Q1	Q4
Prosafe JA2013: Helmets	Importers/ Retailers	10	5	Primary				Q1	Q4

Reactions to notifications (1)					Primary				
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(1)- Notifications include RAPEX notifications, complaints by economic operators and/or consumers and/or users, Customs requests, amongst others.

## 2.31 Sector- Biocides

### 2.31.1 Responsible authority and contact details

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Technical means- Limited testing

Product group	Target group/s	Number of visits foreseen	Number of samples to be taken	Main motivation				Start date	End date
				Market monitoring?	Enforcement?	Knowledge building?	Knowledge Dissemination?		
Importers	General	25	10		Primary				
Reactions to notifications (1)	General	25	10		Primary				

(1)- Notifications include RAPEX notifications, complaints by economic operators and/or consumers and/or users, Customs requests, amongst others.

## 2.32 Sector- Textile labelling

### 2.32.1 Responsible authority and contact details

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Technical means- Limited testing

Product group	Target group/s	Number of visits foreseen	Number of samples to be taken	Main motivation				Start date	End date
				Market monitoring?	Enforcement?	Knowledge building?	Knowledge Dissemination?		
Reactions to notifications (1)					Primary				

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## 2.33 Sector- Packaging and packaging waste

### 2.33.1 Responsible authority and contact details

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Technical means- Limited testing

Product group	Target group/s	Number of visits foreseen	Number of samples to be taken	Main motivation				Start date	End date
				Market monitoring?	Enforcement?	Knowledge building?	Knowledge Dissemination?		
Plastic crates and pellets	Factories and storage facilities	10	3		Secondary				
Other waste	Producers	10			Secondary				
Reactions to notifications (1)					Primary				

(1)- Notifications include RAPEX notifications, complaints by economic operators and/or consumers and/or users, Customs requests, amongst others.

## ANNEX: REFERENCE LIST OF PRODUCT SECTORS

Product sectors	Relevant legislation <sup>1 2</sup>
1. Medical devices (including In vitro diagnostic medical devices and Active implantable medical devices)	Directives 93/42/EEC, 98/79/EC and 90/385/EEC
2. Cosmetics	Regulation (EC) 1223/2009
3. Toys	Directive 2009/48/EC
4. Personal protective equipment	Directive 89/686/EEC
5. Construction products	Regulation (EU) 305/2011
6. Aerosol dispensers	Directive 75/324/EEC,
7. Simple pressure vessels and Pressure equipment	Directives 2009/105/EC and 97/23/EC
8. Transportable pressure equipment	Directive 2010/35/EU
9. Machinery	Directive 2006/42/EC
10. Lifts	Directive 1995/16/EC
11. Cableways	Directive 2000/9/EC
12. Noise emissions for outdoor equipment	Directive 2000/14/EC
13. Equipment and Protective Systems Intended for use in Potentially Explosive Atmospheres	Directive 1994/9/EC
14. Pyrotechnics	Directive 2007/23/EC
15. Explosives for civil uses	Directive 93/15/EEC
16. Appliances burning gaseous fuels	Directive 2009/142/EC
17. Measuring instruments, Non-automatic weighing instruments and Pre-packaged products	Directives 2004/22/EC, 2009/23/EC and 2007/45/EC
18. Electrical equipment under EMC	Directive 2004/108/EC
19. Radio and telecom equipment under RTTE	Directive 1999/5/EC
20. Electrical appliances and equipment under LVD	Directive 2006/95/EC
21. Electrical and electronic equipment under RoHS and WEEE and batteries	Directives 2011/65/EU, 2002/96/EC and 2006/66/EC
22./A Chemical substances under REACH and Classification and Labelling Regulations	Regulations (EC) 1907/2006 and 1272/2008/EC
22. /B Other chemicals (Detergents, Paints, Persistent Organic Pollutants, Fluorinated greenhouse gases, Ozone	Regulation (EC) 648/2004, Directive 2004/42/EC, Regulation (EC) 850/2004, Regulation (EC) 842/2006 and Regulation

<sup>1</sup> For ease of reference this table indicates established EU legislation. New legislation replacing that listed in the table should be also taken into account for the relevant period in which it is applicable.

<sup>2</sup> For ease of reference in some cases (e. g. eco-design, energy labelling), this table only indicates EU framework legislation, but is intended to cover also product-specific EU legislative acts.



Depleting Substances, etc.)	(EU) 517/2014, Regulation (EC) 1005/2009
23. Eco-design and Energy Labelling; Efficiency requirements for hot-boilers fired with liquid or gaseous fuels	Directives 2009/125/EC and 2010/30/EU; Directive 1992/42/EEC
24. Tyre labelling	Regulation (EC) 1222/2009
25. Recreational crafts	Directive 1994/25/EC
26. Marine equipment	Directive 96/98/EC
27. Motor vehicles	Directives 2002/24/EC and 2007/46/EC
28. Non-road mobile machinery	Directive 97/68/EC
29. Fertilisers	Regulation (EC) 2003/2003
30. Other consumer products under GPSD (optional)	Directive 2001/95/EC
31. Biocides	Regulation (EU) 2012/528
32. Textile labelling	Regulation (EC) 1007/2011
33. Packaging and packaging waste	Directive 94/62/EC
34. .... (Additional sectors – please specify)	