

Annex III - RAPEX notifications - asbestos

Entry No.	Date of entry into force	RAPEX Ref and year/ week	Product	Notifying country	Country of origin	Danger	Measures adopted by notifying country
Entry 6 Asbestos	21/09/83 MS's to apply provisions by 21/03/86.	24 1230/11 2011 - 44	Motor vehicle parts – brake pads	Lithuania	China	The brake linings have Chrysotile asbestos filaments which can be extracted from the matrix mechanically. The product thus poses a risk to the health of consumer if they inhale the filaments.	Withdrawal from the market and recall from consumers ordered by the authorities.
		20 0174/11 2011 - 8	Sky Lantern "The Original Sky Lantern" Brand: Bright Star Fireworks Type/ number of model: "Item no.51444"	United Kingdom	China	The product poses a chemical risk because the string supports to the burner of the sky lanterns contain chrysotile asbestos fibres.	Voluntary recall from consumers by the retailer. Sales ban ordered by the authorities.
		7 1357/10 2010 - 36	Semaver electric tea maker	Germany	Turkey	The product poses a chemical risk because it contains easily accessible asbestos used as heat insulation.	Voluntary withdrawal from the market. Sales ban ordered by the authorities.
		5 0934/09 2009 - 27	Bidone di Acquacalda vacuum flask	Italy	China	The product poses a chemical risk due to the presence of asbestos fibres (carcinogen by inhalation). Fibres could be inhaled if the glass container breaks and the asbestos discs are handled.	Sales ban and withdrawal from the market ordered by the authorities.
		4 0933/09 2009 - 27	Porta pranzo vacuum flask	Italy	China	The product poses a chemical risk due to the release of asbestos fibres (carcinogen by inhalation). Fibres could be inhaled if the glass container breaks and the asbestos discs are handled.	Seizure and withdrawal from the market ordered by the authorities.
		22 0915/09 2009 - 26	BP Bulplast heating radiators	Bulgaria	China	The product poses a chemical risk because the gaskets contain asbestos fibres, presenting a health risk for consumers during use.	Voluntary stop of sales by the importer.

		15 0562/09 2009 - 16	Casa thermos flast	Spain	China	The product poses a chemical risk due to the presence of asbestos fibres in the dividers of the double glass wall of the thermos flask.	Withdrawal from the market ordered by the authorities.
		27 0485/09 2009 - 13	Motor vehicle parts – Brake linings	United Kingdom	China	The product poses a chemical risk because it contains significant levels of chrysotile.	Voluntary withdrawal from the market by the importer.
		28 0028/09 2009 - 1	MOMPO thermos flask	Spain	Unknown	The product poses a chemical risk due to the presence of asbestos fibres in the dividers of the double glass wall of the thermos flask.	Withdrawal from the market ordered by the authorities.
		27 0027/09 2009 - 1	Casa thermos flast	Spain	China	The product poses a chemical risk due to the presence of asbestos fibres in the dividers of the double glass wall of the thermos flask.	Withdrawal from the market ordered by the authorities.
		26 0026/09 2009 - 1	MOMPO orange thermos flask	Spain	Unknown	The product poses a chemical risk due to the presence of asbestos fibres in the dividers of the double glass wall of the thermos flask.	Withdrawal from the market ordered by the authorities.
		16 0016/09 2009 - 1	Casa thermos flast	Spain	China	The product poses a chemical risk due to the presence of asbestos fibres in the dividers of the double glass wall of the thermos flask.	Voluntary withdrawal from the market by the importer.
		15 0015/09 2009 - 1	NEOVE thermos flask	Spain	Unknown	The product poses a chemical risk due to the presence of asbestos fibres in the dividers of the double glass wall of the thermos flask.	Withdrawal from the market ordered by the authorities.
		39 1532/08 2008 - 51	D'Casa thermos flask	Spain	China	The product poses a chemical risk because it contain asbestos fibres in the separators of the flask's double glass wall. In addition, there are no instructions for use which are necessary to ensure correct use of the product.	Withdrawal from the market ordered by the authorities.
		26 1450/08 2008 - 49	PORTICO thermos flask	Spain	China	The product poses a chemical risk because of asbestos fibres in the separators of the double glass wall of the flask. The flask	Withdrawal from the market ordered by the authorities.

						may trigger carcinogenic effects due to its asbestos fibre content.	
		9 1391/08 2008 - 48	Thermos flasks – sun flower	Italy	China	The product poses a chemical risk because the small spacers within the double glass casing of the containers are made of compressed chrysotile asbestos fibrous material, which could cause cancer if inhaled.	Sales ban and withdrawal from the market ordered by the authorities.
		13 1148/08 2008 - 41	Garden torch – “Kairo” Edelstahl Ollampe	Germany	Unknown	The product poses a chemical risk because of the presence of asbestos fibres (chrysotile > 40%) in between the oil reservoir and the wick holder. Asbestos fibres may pose a carcinogenic effect.	Sales ban ordered by the authorities.
		4 0825/08 2008 - 31	Thnuderbird thermos flask	Spain	China	The product poses a chemical risk because of the presence of asbestos fibres in the spacers in the double glass wall of the flask glass. Asbestos fibres may pose a carcinogenic effect.	Withdrawal from the market ordered by the authorities.
		7 0764/08 2008 - 28	HPI garden oil lamps	Germany	China	The product poses a chemical risk because: - the garden torches are not fitted with a wick guard to prevent small children from putting the wick in their mouths and ingesting lamp oil, - the filler cap on the garden torch is not child-proof, i.e. the filler openings, including the wick holder, should normally require two independent movements in order to be opened (a bayonet joint), and - the exposed gasket between the oil reservoir and the wick holder contains asbestos.	Voluntary withdrawal from the market and recall from consumers by the importer.
		25 0751/08 2008 - 27	Top Action thermos flask	Germany	Germany	The product poses a chemical risk because the spacers in the glass vessel inside the flask contain asbestos. If the glass vessel breaks, there is a risk of inhaling asbestos fibres.	Sales ban ordered by the authorities.
		8 0640/08	Sun Peal	Germany	Unknown	The product poses a chemical risk because	Sales ban and

		2008 - 24	thermos flask			it contains asbestos which could cause cancer if inhaled.	withdrawal from the market ordered by the authorities.
		7 0574/08 2008 - 21	Villaverde stainless steel garden torches	Germany	Unknown	The product poses a chemical risk because the exposed gasket between the oil reservoir and the wick holder contains asbestos (chrysotile)	Withdrawal from the market ordered by the authorities.
		13 0387/08 2008 - 13	Arte & Fuoco/ Casaitalia thermos flasks and containers	Italy	China	The product poses a chemical risk because it contains asbestos fibres which could cause cancer if inhaled when the glass container breaks and the asbestos board is handled.	Withdrawal from the market ordered by the authorities.
		32 1284/07 2007 - 48	Replacement drums type brake linings	Lithuania	Malaysia	The product poses a carcinogenic risk because it contains asbestos fibres. If asbestos filament will get into persons body, there is a potential risk of getting cancer or asbestosis.	Sales ban ordered by the authority. Voluntary withdrawal from the market by the importer.
		31 1212/07 2007 - 46	Thermal flasks and containers	Italy	China	The product poses a serious risk of cancer because asbestos fibre, which could be carcinogenic if inhaled, could be released if the casing was broken and the asbestos lozenges were handled.	Withdrawal from the market and recall from consumers ordered by the authorities.
		23 1073/07 2007 - 41	Ornamental garden torches	Italy	China	This product poses a carcinogenic risk due to release of friable chrysotil-asbestos fibres (carcinogen by inhalation – class 1 IARC) if the asbestos washer is handled or dispensed in the environment.	Withdrawal from the market and sales ban ordered by the authorities.
		12 0634/07 2007 - 26	Thermos flasks and thermos containers	Italy	China	The product poses a serious risk of cancer because asbestos fibre, which could be carcinogenic if inhaled, could be released if the glass container were to break and the asbestos card pads were handled.	Withdrawal from the market ordered by the authorities.
		4 0523/07 2007 - 23	Thermos flasks and thermal jugs	Italy	China	The product poses a serious risk of cancer because asbestos fibre, which could be carcinogenic if inhaled, could be released if the casing was broken and the asbestos lozenges were handled.	Withdrawal from the market ordered by the authorities

		1 0425/07 2007 - 19	Thermos flask and containers (Happy Casa range)	Italy	China	The product poses a serious risk of cancer because asbestos fibre, which could be carcinogenic if inhaled, could be released if the glass container were broken and the enclosed cylinders were disturbed.	Withdrawal from the market ordered by the authorities.
		22 0200/07 2007 - 8	Thermos flasks and insulated containers	Italy	China	If the glass container breaks and the asbestos board pads are handled, asbestos (carcinogenic if inhaled, class 1 IARC) may be released.	Withdrawal from the market ordered by the authorities.
		17 0132/07 2007 - 5	Thermos flasks	Italy	China	The product contains serpentine and amphibole asbestos	Withdrawal from the market ordered by the authorities
		5 0100/07 2007 - 4	Replacement disc brake linings	Lithuania	United States	This product poses a chemical risk because it contains chrysolite asbestos filaments, which can be extracted from the matrix mechanically. Thus the product is very dangerous if a consumer inhales the filaments.	Sales ban and withdrawal from the market ordered by the authority.
		6 0871/06 2006 - 51	Thermoses & thermal containers	Italy	Czech Republic	If the glass container breaks and the asbestos board pads are handled, asbestos fibres (carcinogenic if inhaled, class 1 IARC) may be released. The laboratory tests revealed the presence of serpentine asbestos (chrysotile variety) and amphibole asbestos (crocidolite variety).	Sales ban ordered by the authority
		19 0187/06 2006 - 12	Itaso vacuum jug/flask	Germany	China	Inside the flask, between the glass carafe and the plastic container, there is a spacer about 5mm thick containing asbestos. Marketing of asbestos is prohibited. This constitutes a hazard, especially on uncontrolled disposal by final consumers.	Placing on the market was stopped. Voluntary withdrawal of the product from the market and destruction by importer.