

Commission Directive 2004/96/EC of 27 September 2004 amending  
Council Directive 76/769/EEC as regards restrictions on the marketing  
and use of nickel for piercing post assemblies for the purpose of  
adapting its Annex I to technical progress (Text with EEA relevance)

*Article 1*

Annex I to Directive 76/769/EEC is amended as set out in the Annex to this Directive.

*Article 2*

1 Member States shall adopt and publish, by 1 August 2005 at the latest, the laws, regulations and administrative provisions necessary to comply with this Directive. They shall forthwith communicate to the Commission the text of those provisions and a correlation table between those provisions and this Directive.

They shall apply those provisions from 1 September 2005.

When Member States adopt those provisions, these shall contain a reference to this Directive or be accompanied by such a reference on the occasion of their official publication. Member States shall determine how such reference is to be made.

2 Member States shall communicate to the Commission the text of the main provisions of national law which they adopt in the field covered by this Directive.

*Article 3*

This Directive shall enter into force on the twentieth day following that of its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Union*.

*Article 4*

This Directive is addressed to the Member States.

Done at Brussels, 27 September 2004.

*For the Commission*

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