

Council Directive of 20 December 1979 on the approximation of
the laws of the Member States relating to units of measurement
and on the repeal of Directive 71/354/EEC (80/181/EEC)

Article 1

The legal units of measurement within the meaning of this Directive which must be used for expressing quantities shall be:

- (a) those listed in Chapter I of the Annex;
- (b) [^{F1}those listed in Chapter II of the Annex only in those Member States where they were authorised on 21 April 1973;]
- (c) [^{F2}those listed in Chapter III of the Annex only in those Member States where they were authorized on 21 April 1973 and until a date to be fixed by those States. This date may not be later than 31 December 1994;
- (d) those listed in Chapter IV of the Annex only in those Member States where they were authorized on 21 April 1973 and until a date to be fixed by those States. This date may not be later than 31 December 1999.]

Textual Amendments

- F1** Substituted by [Directive 2009/3/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 March 2009 amending Council Directive 80/181/EEC on the approximation of the laws of the Member States relating to units of measurement \(Text with EEA relevance\)](#).
- F2** Substituted by [Council Directive of 27 November 1989 amending Directive 80/181/EEC on the approximation of the laws of the Member States relating to units of measurement \(89/617/EEC\)](#).