

Directive 2004/42/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council  
of 21 April 2004 on the limitation of emissions of volatile organic  
compounds due to the use of organic solvents in certain paints and varnishes  
and vehicle refinishing products and amending Directive 1999/13/EC

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ANNEX I

SCOPE

1. For the purposes of this Directive, paints and varnishes means...
  - 1.1. Subcategories:
2. For the purposes of this Directive, 'vehicle refinishing products' means...
  - 2.1. Subcategories:

ANNEX II

ANNEX III

METHODS REFERRED TO IN ARTICLE 3(1)

Permitted method for products with VOC content below 15 %  
by...

Parameter	Unit	Test Method	Date of publication	VOC content g/l...
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Permitted methods for products with VOC content equal to or...

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Parameter Unit Test Method Date of publication VOC content g/  
l...

Permitted method for products with VOC content where reactive  
diluent...

Parameter Unit Test Method Date of publication VOC content g/  
l...

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- (1) [OJ C 220, 16.9.2003, p. 43.](#)
- (2) Opinion of the European Parliament of 25 September 2003 (not yet published in the Official Journal), Council Common Position of 7 January 2004 ([OJ C 79 E, 30.3.2004, p. 1](#)), and Position of the European Parliament of 30 March 2004 (not yet published in the Official Journal).
- (3) [OJ L 309, 27.11.2001, p. 22.](#)
- (4) [OJ L 85, 29.3.1999, p. 1.](#) Directive as amended by Regulation (EC) No 1882/2003 of the European Parliament and of the Council ([OJ L 284, 31.10.2003, p. 1](#)).
- (5) [OJ L 42, 23.2.1970, p. 1.](#) Directive as last amended by Directive 2004/3/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council ([OJ L 49, 19.2.2004, p. 36](#)).
- (6) [OJ L 184, 17.7.1999, p. 23.](#)