

Commission Regulation (EC) No 1275/2008 of 17 December 2008 implementing Directive 2005/32/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council with regard to ecodesign requirements for standby and off mode electric power consumption of electrical and electronic household and office equipment (Text with EEA relevance)

Article 1

Subject matter and scope

This Regulation establishes ecodesign requirements related to standby and off mode electric power consumption. This Regulation applies to electrical and electronic household and office equipment.

Article 2

Definitions

For the purposes of this Regulation, the definitions set out in Directive 2005/32/EC shall apply. The following definitions shall also apply:

1. 'electrical and electronic household and office equipment' (hereafter referred to as 'equipment'), means any energy-using product which:
 - (a) is made commercially available as a single functional unit and is intended for the end-user;
 - (b) falls under the list of energy-using products of Annex I;
 - (c) is dependent on energy input from the mains power source in order to work as intended; and
 - (d) is designed for use with a nominal voltage rating of 250 V or below, also when marketed for non-household or non-office use;
2. 'standby mode(s)' means a condition where the equipment is connected to the mains power source, depends on energy input from the mains power source to work as intended and provides **only** the following functions, which may persist for an indefinite time:
 - reactivation function, or reactivation function and only an indication of enabled reactivation function, and/or
 - information or status display;
3. 'reactivation function' means a function facilitating the activation of other modes, including active mode, by remote switch, including remote control, internal sensor, timer to a condition providing additional functions, including the main function;
4. 'information or status display' means a continuous function providing information or indicating the status of the equipment on a display, including clocks;
5. 'active mode(s)' means a condition in which the equipment is connected to the mains power source and at least one of the main function(s) providing the intended service of the equipment has been activated;

Status: Point in time view as at 17/12/2008.

Changes to legislation: There are outstanding changes not yet made to Commission Regulation (EC) No 1275/2008. Any changes that have already been made to the legislation appear in the content and are referenced with annotations. (See end of Document for details)

6. ‘off mode’ means a condition in which the equipment is connected to the mains power source and is not providing any function; the following shall also be considered as off mode:
- (a) conditions providing only an indication of off-mode condition;
 - (b) conditions providing only functionalities intended to ensure electromagnetic compatibility pursuant to Directive 2004/108/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council⁽¹⁾;
7. ‘information technology equipment’ means any equipment which has a primary function of either entry, storage, display, retrieval, transmission, processing, switching, or control, of data and of telecommunication messages or a combination of these functions and may be equipped with one or more terminal ports typically operated for information transfer;
8. ‘domestic environment’ means an environment where the use of broadcast radio and television receivers may be expected within a distance of 10 m of the apparatus concerned.

Article 3

Ecodesign requirements

The ecodesign requirements related to standby and off mode electric power consumption are set out in Annex II.

Article 4

Conformity assessment

The procedure for assessing conformity referred to in Article 8(2) of Directive 2005/32/EC shall be the internal design control system set out in Annex IV to Directive 2005/32/EC or the management system set out in Annex V to Directive 2005/32/EC.

Article 5

Verification procedure for market surveillance purposes

Surveillance checks shall be carried out in accordance with the verification procedure set out in Annex III.

Article 6

Benchmarks

The indicative benchmarks for the best-performing products and technology currently available on the market are identified in Annex IV.

Status: Point in time view as at 17/12/2008.

Changes to legislation: There are outstanding changes not yet made to Commission Regulation (EC) No 1275/2008. Any changes that have already been made to the legislation appear in the content and are referenced with annotations. (See end of Document for details)

Article 7

Revision

No later than 6 years after the entry into force of this Regulation the Commission shall review it in the light of technological progress and present the result of this review to the Consultation Forum.

Article 8

Entry into force

This Regulation shall enter into force on the 20th day following its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Union*.

Point 1 of Annex II shall apply as from one year after the date referred to in the first paragraph.

Point 2 of Annex II shall apply as from four years after the date referred to in the first paragraph.

This Regulation shall be binding in its entirety and directly applicable in all Member States.

Done at Brussels, 17 December 2008.

For the Commission

Andris PIEBALGS

Member of the Commission

Status: Point in time view as at 17/12/2008.

Changes to legislation: There are outstanding changes not yet made to Commission Regulation (EC) No 1275/2008. Any changes that have already been made to the legislation appear in the content and are referenced with annotations. (See end of Document for details)

(1) [OJ L 390, 31.12.2004, p. 24.](#)

Status:

Point in time view as at 17/12/2008.

Changes to legislation:

There are outstanding changes not yet made to Commission Regulation (EC) No 1275/2008. Any changes that have already been made to the legislation appear in the content and are referenced with annotations.