

**Revised - Textile and Clothing Labelling – World countries and territories**

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<b>EU-27</b>							
	European Union	V	V	V	C	V	Eco-label /Existing EN standards can be agreed upon by contract partners.
1	Austria	V	C (P)	V	C	German	V Eco labels, flammability labelling
2	Belgium	V	V	V	C	French/Dutch/German	- Further requirements for specific products should be obtained from the importer. National law on health care & consumer protection: - Burning behaviour of children's nightwear NBN EN 14878:2007 - Cords and drawstrings on children's clothing NBN EN 14682
3	Bulgaria	C	C	C	C	Bulgarian	- Labels must contain the following information: quality, quantity, ingredients, certification authorization number (if any), and manner of storage, transport, use or maintenance.
4	Cyprus	C	C	V	C	Greek	-
5	Czech Republic	C	C	C	C	Czech	C Name of the producer/supplier
6	Denmark	V	V	V	C	Danish	-
7	Estonia	C	C	C	C	Estonian	C The following information is also required on the retail packaging, or otherwise marked on the product (a sticker, label, etc.): - Name of product (indicating clearly the contents of the package) - Name of the manufacturer or the name of the company that had the product manufactured - Amount of contents (weight or volume of the contents to be specified, measures in metric system)
8	Finland	C	C	V	C	Finish/ Swedish	C Name of manufacturer/importer. For textiles sold as piece goods, the mark of origin must be stamped or printed clearly and distinctly on a label attached to the inner end so it can be pulled out of the roll. Retail packaging must include the following information: name of the product indicating clearly the contents of the package, name of the manufacturer or the company for whom the item was manufactured, and the weight or volume of the contents in metric units.
9	France	V*	V	V	C	French	C Although most labeling regulations are sector related, generally all goods must be labeled to show the name of the product, important qualifiers such as "made by hand" on leather products, a list of all components, name and address of manufacturer or vendor, usage instructions, any required dates (i.e., date the product was made, "use by" date, etc.), price-including all taxes (applicable to all prepackaged goods, except those sold by mail order), brand name or trademark, and specifications that tell the consumer of any particular limitations or sales conditions for the product.  (* The country of origin of products must be included only in cases where provided information might be misleading regarding the real country where the product was manufactured. A so-called corrective mark of origin is required on all imported foreign products that bear marks, names, signs, or indications of any sort that might lead to the belief that the products originate in France or in a country other than their real country of origin.
10	Germany	V	V	V	C	German	The German law (GPSG - Ger?- und Produktsicherheitsgesetz) is based on the European Directive 2001/95/EC on general product safety, cf. Article 5. This rule doesn't set an obligation to label with the producer's name and so is the German law. BUT: in practice, the authorities makes a very strict interpretation of the GPSG with the effect that labelling is not voluntary.
11	Greece	C*	V	V	C	Greek	C Name of manufacturer and registered trademark (* "Made in" compulsory for third countries)
12	Hungary	C	C	C	C	Hungarian	C Name of the product/producer/importer
13	Ireland	V	V	V	C	Irish or English	- Requirements for specific products should be obtained from the Irish importer. The import, export, or transit of non-Irish goods, having markings which would lead one to believe that the goods are of Irish manufacture or origin, are prohibited.
14	Italy	C*	V	V	C	Italian	C * Legislation on "Made in" approved but not yet implemented as need to wait for the results of the consultation between the EU Commission and Italian authorities. The label must include the registered trademark or style of the producer, manufacturer, importer, or retailer and names of fibers used with percentage of composition listed in decreasing order.
15	Latvia	C	C	C	C	Latvian	V Name of the producer
16	Lithuania	C	C	C	C	Lithuanian	C Name & address of the importer
17	Luxembourg	V	V	V	C	French or German	-
18	Malta	V	V	V	C	English or Maltese	-
19	Netherlands	V	V	V	C	Dutch	C Flammability for children
20	Poland	C	C	C	C	Polish	C Name & address of producer - full name of the product, and for metric product also indication for end use - type of finish, where this confers specific performance features on the product Trade names, trademarks, commercial names, etc., are exempt from the language requirement.
21	Portugal	V	V	V	C	Portuguese	-
22	Romania	C	C	C	C	Romanian or English	- Name of the product, Name of producer or mark  Address of producer/ importer Important characteristics
23	Slovak Republic	V*	C	C	C	Slovak	C Name of the produce & importer *:Origin is recommended but not compulsory
24	Slovenia	C	C	C	C	Slovene	-
25	Spain	C(P)*	V	V	C	Spanish	C (* The label must include, with easily readable, unified characters: • Name and address of manufacturer, importer or trader • The importer's taxpayer identification number • Country of origin, though it is not compulsory for goods originating in countries signatories of the WTO Agreement on Technical Barriers to Trade
26	Sweden	V*	V	V	C	(at least in) Swedish	- (* There is no general requirement in Sweden that imports be labeled as to the country of origin. However, goods carrying incorrect designations of origin are prohibited, and a product made to appear as though it had been produced or manufactured in Sweden may not be imported unless its foreign origin is clearly, conspicuously, and durably labeled thereon. This applies to all imported goods bearing the name of a place, property, industrial establishment, or tradesman in Sweden, or exhibiting any indication, word, or words in the Swedish language to describe the nature of the goods. Labeling in this case may consist only of the word "imported."
27	United Kingdom	V	V	V	C	English	C Flammability for children
<b>Candidate countries</b>							
28	Croatia	C	C	C	C	Croatian	C Name of the product, full address of the importer, net quantity/weight/volume, manner of storage and pertinent consumer warnings  Name & address of the producer/distributor
29	FYR Macedonia						
30	Turkey	C	C	C	C	Turkish	
<b>Other Westen, C/E. Europe/CIS</b>							
31	Albania				C*		*Based on EU regulation
32	Armenia	C	V	V	V	Armenian	C Name of the producer
33	Azerbaijan	C?	C?	C?	C?		- Like in Russia as member of the CIS ???
34	Belarus	C	C	C	C	Belarus/ Russian ?	-
35	Bosnia and Herzegovina	C				Bosnian, Croatian and Serbian	C name of the product, full address of the importer, net quantity/weight/volume, ingredients, manner of storage (transport, use, or maintenance), and pertinent consumer warnings
36	Faeroe Islands	V	V	V	C	Danish	-
37	Georgia	C?	C?	C?	C?		- Like in Russia as member of the CIS ???
38	Gibraltar - UK	V	V	V	C	English	C Flammability for children
39	Greenland	V	V	V	C	Danish	-
40	Iceland	V	V	V	C?	?	-

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41	Kazakhstan	C	C	V	C	Kazakh and Russian	C Description of the product and producer name
42	Kyrgyz Republic	C ?	C ?	C ?	C ?		- Like in Russia as member of the CIS ???
43	Moldova	C	C ?	C	C ?	Romanian	C product and brand name; name and contact information of the producer; exporter and/or importer; date of production
44	Norway	V	C	V	C	Norwegian	-
45	Russian Federation	C	C	C	C	Russian	C name of the product (e.g. "skirt", "dress", etc.); model of the product; name and address of the producer or of the distributor; the Gosstandard logo of conformity; code of recommended age (for children's clothing)
46	Serbia and Montenegro						
47	Switzerland	V	V	V	V	Two National languages(*)	C (*) Two national language: "German + French" or "German + Italian" or "French + Italian" Flammability: Same restrictions as EU-27 except "Surface Flash" (specific for Switzerland)
48	Tajikistan	C ?	C ?	C ?	C ?		- Like in Russia as member of the CIS ???
49	Turkmenistan	C ?	C ?	C ?	C ?		- Like in Russia as member of the CIS ???
50	Ukraine	C	C	C	C	Ukrainian/ Russian	-
51	Uzbekistan	C	V	C	V	Uzbek and Russian	C Description of the product (model, reference number)
<b>North America</b>							
52	Bermuda						
53	Canada	C	V	V	C	English and French	C Trader identification. Additional information can be provided.
54	Saint Pierre and Miquelon- France	V	V	V	C	French	-
55	United States	C	C	V	C	English	- Indication of process operations if the product is not wholly obtained in the US; Special requirements for Clothing Articles containing Fur- indicate name of the species used.
<b>Latin America</b>							
56	Antigua and Barbuda						the labeling and marking requirements are set out in their standards regulations. Contact Tel: 268/562-4011
57	Argentina	C (P)	C (P)	C (P)	C (P)	Spanish	C (P) name or registered brand and tax identification of the domestic producer or importer (more info can be provided)
58	Aruba						
59	Bahamas						
60	Barbados						
61	Belize	C				English	C product name, description, manufacturer's name and address, net weight/volume, composition
62	Bolivia						
63	Brazil	C	C	C	C	Portuguese	C name or registered brand and tax identification of the domestic producer or importer
64	British Virgin Islands - UK	V	V	V	C	English	C Flammability for children
65	Cayman Islands						
66	Chile	C	C	C	C	Spanish	-
67	Colombia	C	C	C	C	Spanish	C Name of the producer and importer (Resolution 1264) V Eco-label
68	Costa Rica	V	V	V	V	Spanish	-
69	Cuba						
70	Dominica						
71	Dominican Republic	C	C	V	C	Spanish	C industriail and health registration
72	Ecuador	C	C*1	C*2	C	Spanish	C Business name of the manufacturer or importer *1 according to Annex A of NTE INEN 875 *2 according to NTE INEN 257, NET INEN 1 873 and NTE INEN 1 874
73	El Salvador	C	C (for apparel only)	C (for apparel only)	C	Spanish	C ID number (NIT-Numero de Identificacion Tributaria or Rigistro del Contribuyente I.V.A.) of the manufacturer or the importer C Commercial mark or brand name (for apparel and apparel accessories only) additional info can be provided
74	Falkland Islands - UK	V	V	V	C	English	C Flammability for children
75	French Guiana - France	V	V	V	C	French	-
76	Grenada						
77	Guadeloupe - France	V	V	V	C	French	-
78	Guatemala	C*	V ?	V ?	V ?	Spanish	+ If the country of origin is not specifically labeled on incoming goods, customs authorities are authorized to accept visible indications on the inside or the outside wrappings or straps or any other objective evidence at their discretion as proof of origin.
79	Guyana	C	C	C	C	English	C for apparel C for textiles name and address of the manufacturer or trade mark or brand name registered with the competent authority; and quality designation, "irregular" where applicable name and address of the manufacturer; any finishing treatments; and quality designation "irregular" where applicable
80	Haiti						
81	Honduras	C	V ?	V ?	C	?	C name of the product; name of the manufacturer; sales price
82	Jamaica	C	V ?	V ?	V ?	English	C proper name of the product; date mark; name and traceable business address of the processor, manufacturer, packer, importer or distributor
83	Martinique - France	V	V	V	C	French	-
84	Mexico	C	C	C	C	Spanish	C Commercial brand name C Manufacturer's or importer's name and address additional info can be provided
85	Montserrat - UK	V	V	V	C	English	C Flammability for childrens articles
86	Netherlands Antilles						
87	Nicaragua	C	C ?	V	C ?	Spanish	C price and production date
88	Panama					Spanish	C name and address of manufacturer In general, products which comply with U.S. labeling and marking requirements are accepted for sale in Panama.
89	Paraguay	C (P)	C (P)	C (P)	C (P)	Spanish	C (P) name or registered brand and tax identification of the domestic producer or importer (more info can be provided)
90	Peru	C	C ?	?	C	Spanish	C name of product, registration number of the product, date of fabrication, name and address of the importer or distributor in Peru that corresponds with their Registro Unico de Contribuyente, name of the manufacturer
91	Saint Kitts and Nevis						
92	Saint Lucia						
93	Saint Vincent and the Grenadines						
94	Suriname						
95	Trinidad and Tobago	C	V	V	C	English ?	C Name/address of the manufacturer or retailer or importer C Width of textile in cm and inches C Any finishing treatments C Quality designation where applicable C Tread count for fabric sold as bedding C Flame resistant textiles shall be clearly and prominently labeled with precautionary care and treatment instructions to protect them from any harmful agent or treatment that may cause deterioration of the flame resistance.
96	Uruguay	C (P)	C (P)	C (P)	C (P)	Spanish	C (P) name or registered brand and tax identification of the domestic producer or importer (more info can be provided)

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97	Venezuela	C	C	C	C	Spanish	C name, type of business of the manufacturer or importer; brand name, logo/commercial mark; the number of the register of fiscal information record (RIF) of the importer; the assigned inscription number of record from the Autonomous National Service for Standardization, Quality, Metrology and Technical Regulations Pantyhose, stockings and socks are exempt from the labeling requirements, but the manufacturer must have written authorization from SENCAMER.
<b>Africa</b>							
98	Algeria	C	C	V	C	Arabic	-
99	Angola	V	V	V	V	Portuguese / English / or French	-
100	Benin						
101	Botswana						
102	Burkina Faso						
103	Burundi						
104	Cameroon	C	V?	V?	V?	French and English	C name and address of the manufacturer, product name, weight (metric system); "for sale in Cameroon" phrase for fancy print cotton Africa prints and jute bags
105	Cape Verde						
106	Central African Republic						
107	Chad						
108	Comoros						
109	Congo						
110	Congo, Dem. Rep. of						
111	Côte d'Ivoire	C	V?	V?	V?	French	-
112	Djibouti						
113	Egypt	C	C	C	C	Arabic	C name of the producer company or factory and its trademark (if any)
114	Equatorial Guinea						
115	Eritrea						
116	Ethiopia						
117	Gabon	V	V	V	V	French	-
118	Gambia						
119	Ghana	C	V	V	C	English	C product name
120	Guinea						
121	Guinea-Bissau						
122	Kenya	C	C	C	V?	English?	C Manufacturers name or trademark, Name of the article & respect of special standards relevant to particular article (e.g. shirts, trousers, suits, etc)
123	Lesotho						
124	Liberia						
125	Libyan Arab Jamahiriya	V	V	V	V	Arabic?	-
126	Madagascar						
127	Malawi						
128	Mali						
129	Mauritania						
130	Mauritius						
131	Morocco	C	C	C	C	Arabic and French	V manufacturer and importer information
132	Mozambique						
133	Namibia						
134	Niger						
135	Nigeria	C		C?	C?		C name of product, date of manufacture, batch or lot number, standards to which they were produced
136	Reunion - France	V	V	V	C	French	-
137	Rwanda						
138	Sao Tome and Principe						
139	Senegal	V?	V?	V?	V?	French	-
140	Seychelles						
141	Sierra Leone						
142	Somalia						
143	South Africa	C	C	V	C	English?	C textile goods containing sheep's wool, whether in the piece or made up, are subject to special labelling regulations. Products containing at least 35 percent wool must be labelled to show the percentage of wool content.
144	Sudan						
145	Swaziland						
146	Tanzania						
147	Togo						
148	Tunisia	V	V	V	C	Arabic & French or English	-
149	Uganda		C		C	English?	C additional labelling requirements for imports of used clothing
150	Zambia						
151	Zimbabwe						
<b>Middle East</b>							
152	Bahrain	C	C	C	C	Arabic / English	-
153	Iran, Islamic Rep. of						
154	Iraq						
155	Israel	C	C	C	C	Hebrew	C name, address, telephone number of importer
156	Jordan	C	V?	V?	V?	Arabic	-
157	Kuwait	C	V	V	V	Arabic or Arabic and English	-
158	Lebanon	C	V	V	C	Arabic or French or English	C date of manufacturing
159	Oman	C	C	C	C	Arabic	- Special labelling requirements for pre-packed goods
160	Qatar	C	C	C	C	Arabic?	-
161	Saudi Arabia	C	C	C	C	Arabic	C Carpet manufacturers and suppliers must indicate in Arabic the thickness or weight of each square meter, type (nylon, wool, acrylic, polypropylene, etc.), pile weight, and country of origin, to be applied on every 5 meters along the carpet roll length. All carpet manufacturers, suppliers and distributors have to show the captioned data on the sales invoice.
162	Syrian Arab Republic	C	V?	V?	C?	?	C name of producer/exporter, date of manufacturing
163	United Arab Emirates	C	V	C	V	Arabic or Arabic and English	-

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164	Yemen						
	<b>Asia</b>						
165	Afghanistan						
166	American Samoa						
167	<b>Australia</b>	C	C	V	C	English	C Flammability labelling for nightwear and limited daywear for children; special marking requirements for wool. <i>More information can be provided</i>
168	<b>Bangladesh</b>	C			C	English / Bangla	- C - quantity, weight, measurements, trade description, component materials and date of manufacture/expiry
169	Bhutan						
170	Brunei Darussalam						
171	Cambodia						
172	<b>China</b>	C	C (P)	C (P)	C (P)	Chinese	C * name and address of the manufacturer * name of the product (in accordance with Chinese standard) * cleaning instructions (compulsory use of symbols defined by GB/T 8685-2008) * N° of standard (more info see GB5296.4)
173	Cook Islands - <u>USA</u>	C	C	V	C	English	-
174	<b>Fiji</b>	C	C (for apparel only)	V	C (for apparel only)	n.a.	C manufacturer
175	French Polynesia - <u>France</u>	V	V	V	C	French	-
176	Guam						
177	Hong Kong, China	V	V	V	V	Chinese/ English (?)	-
178	<b>India</b>	C	V	C	C	English	- India requests also information on Fabric Composition to be included in the Fabric Selvedge for Wollen and Cotton Fabrics. The issue is under discussion in the FTA negotiations
179	<b>Indonesia</b>	V	V	V	V	Indonesian	C importer identification; name and address of the manufacturer; <i>more info can be provided</i> V Ecolabel - certification required
180	<b>Japan</b>	C	C	V	C	Japanese	C name of manufacturer/supplier or officially registered number with METI C (for pile rugs, curtains and knitted and lace cloth) flammability characteristics C (for topcoats, overcoats, spring coats and raincoats etc.) water repellent characteristics
181	Kiribati						
182	Korea, Dem. People's Rep. of						
183	<b>Korea, Republic of</b>	C	C	C	C	Korean	C treatment processes such as waterproofing and dirt resistance C Date of manufacturing C name, brand and address or telephone number of manufacturer KC Mark is mandatory
184	Lao People's Dem. Rep.						
185	<u>Macao, China</u>	V ?	V ?	V ?	V ?	Chinese	- <i>Like Hong Kong ??</i>
186	<b>Malaysia</b>	V	V	V	V	Bahasa Malay or English	C identification of the importing agent
187	Maldives						
188	Marshall Islands - <u>USA</u>	C	C	V	C	English	-
189	Micronesia						
190	Mongolia						
191	Myanmar						
192	Nauru						
193	Nepal	V	V	V	V	?	
194	New Caledonia - <u>France</u>	V	V	V	C	French	-
195	<b>New Zealand</b>	C	C	V	C	English	C Flammability for children C Dimensions by length and width in metrics must be shown on the labels for blankets, sheets and wrapping materials <i>more info can be provided</i>
196	Niue						
197	Pacific Islands						
198	<b>Pakistan</b>	C	V	V	V	English / Urdu	- <i>more info can be provided</i>
199	Papua New Guinea						
200	<b>Philippines</b>	C	V	V	C	English or Filipino	C registered trade or brand name; duly registered trademark; duly registered business name; address of the manufacturer, importer or repacker; information if the product is manufactured, refilled or repacked under license from a principal The following additional information may also be required by the responsible government agency: 1. Whether the product is flammable or inflammable; 2. Directions for use, if necessary; 3. Warning of toxicity; 4. Process of manufacture used, if necessary.
201	Samoa						
202	<b>Singapore</b>	C?	C?	C?	C?	English	-
203	Solomon Islands						
204	Sri Lanka	C	C ?	C	C ?	Sri Lankan ?	-
205	Taipei, Chinese	C	C	C	C	Chinese	-
206	Thailand	C	C	C	C	Thai	-
207	<b>Taiwan</b>	C	C	C	C	Chinese	C name, address and phone number of importers; the uniform business code of the local manufacturer of the importers <i>more info can be provided</i>
208	Tonga						
209	Tuvalu						
210	Vanuatu						
211	<b>Viet Nam</b>	C	C	V	C	Vietnamese	- name of goods; name and address of the organization or individual responsible for the goods; date of manufacture;

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