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THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union,

Having regard to Regulation (EC) No 66/2010 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 November 2009 on the EU Ecolabel¹, and in particular Article 8(2) thereof,

After consulting the European Union Ecolabelling Board,

Whereas:

- (1) Regulation (EC) No 66/2010 provides that the EU Ecolabel may be awarded to products with a reduced environmental impact during their entire life cycle. Specific EU Ecolabel criteria are to be established for each product group.
- (2) By Commission Decision 2014/350/EU², EU Ecolabel criteria were established for the product group ‘textile products’. The validity of those criteria and of the related assessment and verification requirements is to expire on 31 December 2025.
- (3) By Commission Decision 2014/391/EU³, EU Ecolabel criteria were established for the product group ‘bed mattresses’. The validity of those criteria and of the related assessment and verification requirements is to expire on 31 December 2026.
- (4) By Commission Decision (EU) 2016/1332⁴, EU Ecolabel criteria were established for the product group ‘furniture’. The validity of those criteria and of the related assessment and verification requirements is to expire on 31 December 2026.

¹ OJ L 27, 30.1.2010, p. 1, ELI: <http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2010/66/oj>.

² Commission Decision 2014/350/EU of 5 June 2014 establishing the ecological criteria for the award of the EU Ecolabel for textile products (OJ L 174, 13.6.2014, p. 45, ELI: <http://data.europa.eu/eli/dec/2014/350/oj>).

³ Commission Decision 2014/391/EU of 23 June 2014 establishing the ecological criteria for the award of the EU Ecolabel for bed mattresses (OJ L 184, 25.6.2014, p. 18, ELI: <http://data.europa.eu/eli/dec/2014/391/oj>).

⁴ Commission Decision (EU) 2016/1332 of 28 July 2016 establishing the ecological criteria for the award of the EU Ecolabel for furniture (OJ L 210, 4.8.2016, p. 100, ELI: <http://data.europa.eu/eli/dec/2016/1332/oj>).

- (5) By Commission Decision (EU) 2016/1349⁵, EU Ecolabel criteria were established for the product group ‘footwear’. The validity of those criteria and of the related assessment and verification requirements is to expire on 31 December 2025.
- (6) By Commission Decision (EU) 2017/176⁶, EU Ecolabel criteria were established for the product group ‘wood-, cork- and bamboo-based floor coverings’. The validity of those criteria and of the related assessment and verification requirements is to expire on 31 December 2026.
- (7) In line with the conclusions of the EU Ecolabel Fitness check (REFIT) of June 30, 2017⁷, the Commission, together with the EU Ecolabelling Board, assessed and confirmed the relevance of the EU Ecolabel criteria for the above-mentioned product groups for the EU Ecolabel scheme, implementing solutions to enhance synergies among product groups and to increase the uptake of the EU Ecolabel.
- (8) The above-mentioned considerations revealed that, for bed mattresses, furniture, footwear and wood-, cork-, and bamboo-based floor coverings, the criteria were considered still up to date and likely to remain so in the near future. Consequently, revisions of the criteria and related assessment and verification requirement for those product groups should be deferred, enabling integration of evolving sectoral legislation and ensuring alignment and coherence with other ongoing Union product policies. For textile products, the on-going revision needs to be finalised after related delegated act under Regulation (EU) 2024/1781 of the European Parliament and of the Council⁸ is issued, to ensure consistency between the requirements set up in such delegated act and the EU Ecolabel criteria, considering the possibility for the EU Ecolabel to be used in the future as a as proof of compliance with the ecodesign requirements set out in that delegated act to the extent that those requirements are covered by the EU Ecolabel criteria. Until then, the criteria and the related assessment and verification requirement for textile products should remain valid.
- (9) To facilitate the Commission’s coordination of the revision process alongside upcoming legislative initiatives and to consolidate efforts wherever feasible, it is necessary to extend the validity of the EU Ecolabel criteria, as well as the assessment and verification requirements set out in Decisions 2014/350/EU, 2014/391/EU, (EU) 2016/1332, (EU) 2016/1349 and (EU) 2017/176.

⁵ Commission Decision (EU) 2016/1349 of 5 August 2016 establishing the ecological criteria for the award of the EU Ecolabel for footwear (OJ L 214, 9.8.2016, p. 16, ELI: <http://data.europa.eu/eli/dec/2016/1349/oj>).

⁶ Commission Decision (EU) 2017/176 of 25 January 2017 on establishing EU Ecolabel criteria for wood-, cork- and bamboo-based floor coverings (OJ L 28, 2.2.2017, p. 44, ELI: <http://data.europa.eu/eli/dec/2017/176/oj>).

⁷ Report from the Commission to the European Parliament and the Council on the review of implementation of Regulation (EC) No 1221/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 November 2009 on the voluntary participation by organisations in a Community eco-management and audit scheme (EMAS) and the Regulation (EC) No 66/2010 of the parliament and of the Council of 25 November 2009 on the EU Ecolabel [COM(2017) 355 final].

⁸ Regulation (EU) 2024/1781 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 13 June 2024 establishing a framework for the setting of ecodesign requirements for sustainable products, amending Directive (EU) 2020/1828 and Regulation (EU) 2023/1542 and repealing Directive 2009/125/EC (OJ L, 2024/1781, 28.6.2024, ELI: <http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2024/1781/oj>)

- (10) To allow sufficient time to finalise the revision processes, bundle criteria issued in the same year in a single Commission Decision and to ensure market continuity to licence holders between the current and revised versions of the criteria, the period of validity of the current criteria and of the related assessment and verification requirements should be extended until 31 December 2028 for textile products and footwear, until 31 December 2029 for furniture and wood-, cork-, and bamboo-based floor coverings and until 31 December 2030 for bed mattresses.
- (11) Decisions 2014/350/EU, 2014/391/EU, (EU) 2016/1332, (EU) 2016/1349 and (EU) 2017/176 should therefore be amended accordingly.
- (12) The measures provided for in this Decision are in accordance with the opinion of the Committee established by Article 16 of Regulation (EC) No 66/2010,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

Amendment to Decision 2014/350/EU

Article 6 of Decision 2014/350/EU is replaced by the following:

‘Article 6

The EU Ecolabel criteria for the product group “textile products” and the related assessment and verification requirements shall be valid until 31 December 2028.’.

Article 2

Amendment to Decision 2014/391/EU

Article 4 of Decision 2014/391/EU is replaced by the following:

‘Article 4

The EU Ecolabel criteria for the product group “bed mattresses” and the related assessment and verification requirements shall be valid until 31 December 2030’.

Article 3

Amendment to Decision (EU) 2016/1332

Article 4 of Decision (EU) 2016/1332 is replaced by the following:

‘Article 4

The EU Ecolabel criteria for the product group “furniture” and the related assessment and verification requirements shall be valid until 31 December 2029.’.

Article 4

Amendment to Decision (EU) 2016/1349

Article 4 of Decision (EU) 2016/1349 is replaced by the following:

‘Article 4

The EU Ecolabel criteria for the product group “footwear” and the related assessment and verification requirements shall be valid until 31 December 2028.’.

Article 5

Amendment to Decision (EU) 2017/176

Article 4 of Decision (EU) 2017/176 is replaced by the following:

‘Article 4

The EU Ecolabel criteria for the product group “wood-, cork- and bamboo-based floor coverings” and the related assessment and verification requirements shall be valid until 31 December 2029’.

Article 6

Addressees

This Decision is addressed to the Member States.

Done at Brussels,

*For the Commission
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Member of the Commission*