
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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The Packaging (Essential Requirements) Regulations 2003

PART III

GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

Concentration levels of regulated metals present in packaging

6.—(1) Subject to paragraphs (2) and (3) and regulation 7 below, no person who is a responsible person shall place on the market packaging if—

- (a) on or after 30th June 1998, the sum of the concentration levels of regulated metals either in the packaging or in any of its packaging components, exceeds 600 ppm;
- (b) on or after 30th June 1999, the sum of the concentration levels of regulated metals either in the packaging or in any of its packaging components, exceeds 250 ppm;
- (c) on or after 30th June 2001, the sum of the concentration levels of regulated metals either in the packaging or in any of its packaging components exceeds 100 ppm.

(2) Paragraph (1) above shall not apply to packaging which is made entirely of lead crystal glass as defined in Directive [69/493/EEC](#)(1).

(3) The concentration levels of regulated metals in paragraph (1) above shall not apply—

- (a) on or before 4th March 2009, to plastic crates or plastic pallets used in product loops which are in a closed and controlled chain provided the requirements set out in Schedule II to these Regulations are complied with in relation to that packaging;
- (b) on or before 30th June 2006, to glass packaging provided the requirements set out in Schedule III to these Regulations are complied with in relation to that packaging.