

**Draft Communiqué On Ecodesign Requirements For Household Washing Machines  
And Household Washer-Dryers (SGM:2021/3)**

**(2019/2023/EU)**

**Objective**

**ARTICLE 1** – (1) The purpose of this Communiqué is to establish ecodesign requirements for the placing on the market or the putting into service of electric mains-operated household washing machines and household washer-dryers, including built-in household washing machines and household washer-dryers and electric mains-operated household washing machines and household washer-dryers that can also be powered by batteries related to the implementation of the Regulation on the Ecodesign of Energy-Related Products (2009/125/EC) published in the Official Gazette numbered dated 07/10/2010 and No. 27722.

**Scope**

**ARTICLE 2** – (1) This Communiqué covers electric mains-operated household washing machines and household washer-dryers including built-in household washing machines and household washer-dryers and electric mains-operated household washing machines and household washer-dryers that can also be powered by batteries.

(2) This Communiqué shall not apply to:

a) washing machines and washer-dryers belonging to the scope of Regulation on Machinery published (2006/42/EC) in the Official Gazette No. 27158 dated 03/03/2009,

b) Battery-operated household washing machines and household washer-dryers that can be connected to the mains through an AC/DC converter purchased separately.

(3) The requirements in points 1 to 6, 9(1)(a) and (c), and 9(2)(i) and (vii) of Annex II shall not apply to household washing machines with a rated capacity lower than 2 kg and household washer-dryers with a rated washing capacity lower than 2 kg.

**Legal Basis**

**ARTICLE 3** – (1) This Communiqué has been prepared on the basis of the Law No. 4703 of 29/6/2001 on the Preparation and Implementation of Technical Legislation on Products and Presidential Decree No. 1 on the Presidency Organization published in the Official Gazette No. 30474 dated 10/7/2018.

**Compliance with the European Union Legislation**

**ARTICLE 4** – (1) This Communiqué has been prepared based on Commission Regulation No 2019/2023/EU of 1 October 2019 laying down ecodesign requirements for household washing machines and household washer-dryers pursuant to Directive 2009/125/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council, amending Commission Regulation (EC) No 1275/2008 and repealing Commission Regulation (EU) No 1015/2010 in the framework of alignment with the legislation of European Union.

## **Definitions**

**ARTICLE 5** – (1) For the purposes of this Communiqué the following definitions shall apply:

- a) 'EU' means European Union;
- b) 'built-in household washing machine' means a household washing machine that is designed, tested and marketed exclusively to be installed in cabinetry or encased (top and/or bottom, and sides) by panels; to be securely fastened to the sides, top or floor of the cabinetry or panels; and to be equipped with an integral factory-finished face or to be fitted with a custom front panel;
- c) 'built-in household washer-dryer' means a household washer-dryer that is designed, tested and marketed exclusively to be installed in cabinetry or encased (top and/or bottom, and sides) by panels; to be securely fastened to the sides, top or floor of the cabinetry or panels; and to be equipped with an integral factory-finished face or to be fitted with a custom front panel;
- ç) 'Ministry' means Ministry of Industry and Technology;
- d) 'multi-drum household washing machine' means a household washing machine equipped with more than one drum, whether in separate units or in the same casing;
- e) 'multi-drum household washer-dryer' means a household washer-dryer equipped with more than one drum, whether in separate units or in the same casing;
- f) 'eco 40-60' or 'eko 40-60' means the name of the programme declared by the manufacturer, importer or authorised representative as able to clean normally soiled cotton laundry declared to be washable at 40 °C or 60 °C, together in the same washing cycle, and to which the ecodesign requirements on energy efficiency, washing efficiency, rinsing effectiveness, programme duration and water consumption relate;
- g) 'mains' or 'electric mains' means the electricity supply from the grid of 230 ( $\pm$  10 %) volts of alternating current at 50 Hz;
- ğ) 'equivalent model' means a model which has the same technical characteristics relevant for the technical information to be provided, but which is placed on the market or put into service by the same manufacturer, importer or authorised representative as another model with a different model identifier;
- h) 'household washing machine' means an automatic washing machine which cleans and rinses household laundry by using water, chemical, mechanical and thermal means, which also has a spin extraction function, and which is declared by the manufacturer in the Declaration of Conformity as complying with Regulation on Electrical Equipment Designed for Specific Voltage Limits (2014/35/EU), published in the Official Gazette No. 29845 dated 02/10/2016 or with the Regulation on Radio Equipment (2014/53/EU),
- ı) 'household washer-dryer' means a household washing machine which, in addition to the functions of an automatic washing machine, in the same drum includes a means for drying the textiles by heating and tumbling, and which is declared by the manufacturer in the Declaration of Conformity as complying with Regulation on Electrical Equipment Designed

for Specific Voltage Limits (2014/35/EU), published in the Official Gazette No. 29845 dated 02/10/2016 or with the Regulation on Radio Equipment (2014/53/EU),

i) 'model identifier' means the code, usually alphanumeric, which distinguishes a specific product model from other models with the same trade mark or the same manufacturer's, importer's or authorised representative's name;

j) 'automatic washing machine' means a washing machine where the load is fully treated by the washing machine without the need for user intervention at any point during the programme;

k) 'programme' means a series of operations that are pre-defined and which are declared by the manufacturer, importer or authorised representative as suitable for washing, drying or continuously washing and drying certain types of textile;

l) 'product database' means a collection of data concerning products, which is arranged in a systematic manner and consists of a consumer-oriented public part, where information concerning individual product parameters is accessible by electronic means, an online portal for accessibility and a compliance part, with clearly specified accessibility and security requirements, as laid down in Regulation on Framework for Energy Labeling published in the Official Gazette No. ... dated .../.../...

m) 'washing cycle' means a complete washing process as defined by a selected programme, consisting of a series of different operations including washing, rinsing, and spinning.

(2) For the purposes of the annexes, additional definitions are set out in Annex I.

### **Ecodesign Requirements**

**ARTICLE 6** – (1) The ecodesign requirements set out in Annex II and Annex VI of this Communiqué shall apply from the dates indicated therein.

### **Conformity Assessment**

**ARTICLE 7** – (1) The conformity assessment procedure referred to in Article 11 of Regulation on Ecodesign Requirements for Energy-Related Products (2009/125/EC) published in the Official Gazette No. 27722 dated 07/10/2010 shall be the internal design control system set out in Annex IV to that Regulation or the management system set out in Annex V to that Regulation.

(2) For the purposes of the conformity assessment pursuant to Article 11 of Regulation on Ecodesign Requirements for Energy-Related Products (2009/125/EC) published in the Official Gazette No. 27722 dated 07/10/2010, the technical documentation shall contain the declared values of parameters listed in, points 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7 of Annex II and the details and the results of the calculations undertaken in accordance with Annex III.

(3) Where the information included in the technical documentation for a particular model has been obtained from a model that has the same technical characteristics relevant for the technical information to be provided but is produced by a different manufacturer, or by calculation on the basis of design or extrapolation from another model of the same or a different manufacturer, or both, the technical documentation shall include the details of such calculation,

the assessment undertaken by the manufacturer to verify the accuracy of the calculation and, where appropriate, the declaration of identity between the models of different manufacturers. The technical documentation shall include a list of all equivalent models, including the model identifiers.

(4) The technical documentation shall include the information in the order and as set out in Annex VI of the Regulation on Energy Labeling of Household Washing Machines and Washer-Dryers (SGM: 2021 /4).

(5) For market surveillance purposes, for products in database, manufacturers, importers or authorised representatives may, without prejudice to Annex IV, point 3(f) of Regulation on Ecodesign Requirements for Energy-Related Products (2009/125/EC), refer to the technical documentation uploaded to the product database or on their own website which contains the same information laid down in Regulation on Energy Labeling of Household Dishwashers (SGM: 2021 /4)

### **Verification Procedure for Market Surveillance Purposes**

**ARTICLE 8** – (1) Ministry shall apply the verification procedure set out in Annex IV when performing the market surveillance checks referred to in Article 5, point 2 of the Regulation on Ecodesign Requirements for Energy-Related Products (2009/125/EC).

### **Circumvention**

**ARTICLE 9**– (1) The manufacturer, importer or authorised representative shall not place on the market products designed to be able to detect they are being tested (e.g. by recognising the test conditions or test cycle), and to react specifically by automatically altering their performance during the test with the aim of reaching a more favourable level for any of the parameters declared by the manufacturer, importer or authorised representative in the technical documentation or included in any documentation provided.

(2) The consumption of energy and water of the product and any of the other declared parameters shall not deteriorate after a software or firmware update when measured with the same test standard originally used for the declaration of conformity, except with explicit consent of the end-user prior to the update. No performance change shall occur as a result of rejecting the update.

### **Indicative Benchmarks**

**ARTICLE 10** – (1) The indicative benchmarks for the best-performing products and technologies available on the market at the time of adopting this Communique are set out in Annex V.

### **Consultation Forum Transactions**

**ARTICLE 11** – (1) The Ministry shall participate in the meetings with respect to this Communique of the advisory board established by the European Commission to carry out studies on the improvement potential with regard to energy and environmental performance of household washing machines and household washer-dryers; the evolution of consumer behaviour and the feasibility of a mandatory feedback mechanism on the loading of the appliance and the energy consumption of the selected programme; the effectiveness of existing requirements on resource efficiency; the appropriateness of setting additional resource efficiency requirements for products in accordance with the objectives of the circular economy, including whether more spare parts should be included. the feasibility and appropriateness of

new requirements on the automatic dosage of detergents and other additives; the feasibility and appropriateness of new requirements for reducing microplastics in the water outlet, such as filters.

**Repeal**

**ARTICLE 12–** (1) The Regulation on Ecodesign Requirements for Household Washing Machines published in the Official Gazette dated 23/09/2011 and numbered 28063 (SGM: 2011/18) was repealed.

**Entry into Force**

**ARTICLE 13–** (1) This Communique shall enter into force on 01/03/2021.

**Enforcement**

**ARTICLE 14 –** (1) The provisions of this Communique shall be enforced by the Minister of Industry and Technology.

## DEFINITIONS APPLICABLE FOR THE ANNEXES

1. For the purposes of the annexes, the following definitions shall apply:

a) 'network' means a communication infrastructure with a topology of links, an architecture, including the physical components, organisational principles, communication procedures and formats (protocols);

b) 'rated capacity' means the maximum mass in kilogram stated by the manufacturer, importer or authorised representative at 0,5 kg intervals of dry textiles of a particular type, which can be treated in one washing cycle of a household washing machine, or in one complete cycle of a household washer-dryer respectively, on the selected programme, when loaded in accordance with the manufacturer's, importer's or authorised representative's instructions;

c) 'rated drying capacity' means the maximum mass in kilogram stated by the manufacturer, importer or authorised representative at 0,5 kg intervals of dry textiles of a particular type, which can be treated in one drying cycle of a household washer-dryer on the selected programme, when loaded in accordance with the manufacturer's, importer's or authorised representative's instructions;

ç) 'rated washing capacity' means the maximum mass in kilogram stated by the manufacturer, importer or authorised representative at 0,5 kg intervals of dry textiles of a particular type, which can be treated in one washing cycle of a household washing machine, or in one washing cycle of a household washer-dryer respectively, on the selected programme, when loaded in accordance with the manufacturer's, importer's or authorised representative's instructions;

d) 'weighted energy consumption ( $E_w$ )' means the weighted average of the energy consumption of the washing cycle of a household washing machine or a household washer-dryer for the eco 40-60 or eko 40-60 programme at rated washing capacity, and at half and at a quarter of the rated washing capacity, expressed in kilowatt hour per cycle;

e) 'weighted water consumption ( $W_w$ )' means the weighted average of the water consumption of the washing cycle of a household washing machine or of a household washer-dryer for the eco 40-60 programme at rated washing capacity, and at half and at a quarter of the rated washing capacity, expressed in litres per cycle;

f) 'weighted energy consumption ( $E_{wD}$ )' means the weighted average of the energy consumption of the household washer-dryer for the wash and dry cycle at rated capacity and at half of the rated capacity, expressed in kilowatt hour per cycle;

g) 'weighted water consumption ( $W_{wD}$ )' means the weighted average of the water consumption of a household washer-dryer for the wash and dry cycle at rated capacity and at half of the rated capacity, expressed in litres per cycle;

ğ) 'cycle duration' ( $t_{wD}$ ) means, for the complete cycle of a household washer-dryer, the length of time beginning with the initiation of the programme selected for the washing cycle,

excluding any user programmed delay, until the end of the drying cycle is indicated and the user has access to the load;

h) 'cupboard dry' means the status of treated textiles dried in a drying cycle to a final moisture content of 0 %;

i) 'rinsing effectiveness' means the concentration of the residual content of linear alkylbenzene sulfonate (LAS) in the treated textiles after the washing cycle of a household washing machine or of a household washer-dryer ( $I_R$ ), or after the complete cycle of a household washer-dryer ( $J_R$ ), expressed in gram per kilogram of dry textile;

i) 'Energy Efficiency Index' (EEI) means the ratio of the weighted energy consumption to the standard cycle energy consumption;

j) 'guarantee' means any undertaking by the retailer or a manufacturer to the consumer to reimburse the price paid; or replace, repair or handle the household washing machine and the household washer-dryer in any way if they do not meet the specifications set out in the guarantee statement or in the relevant advertising.

k) 'standby mode' ( $P_{sm}$ ) means a condition where the household washing machine or the household washer-dryer is connected to the mains, and provides only the following functions, which may persist for an indefinite time:

1) reactivation function, or reactivation function and a mere indication of enabled reactivation function; and/or

2) reactivation function through a connection to a network; and/or

3) information or status display; and/or

4) detection function for emergency measures;

l) 'remaining moisture content' means for household washing machines and for the washing cycle of household washer-dryers, the amount of moisture contained in the load at the end of the washing cycle;

m) 'off mode' ( $P_o$ ) means a condition in which the household washing machine or the household washer-dryer is connected to the mains and is not providing any function; the following shall also be considered as off mode:

1) conditions providing only an indication of off mode;

2) conditions providing only functionalities intended to ensure electromagnetic compatibility pursuant to the Regulation on Electromagnetic Compatibility published in the Official Gazette dated 02/10/2016 and numbered 29845 (2014/30 / EU)

n) 'wrinkle guard function' means an operation of the household washing machine or of the household washer-dryer after completion of a programme to prevent excessive wrinkle building in the laundry;

o) 'drying cycle' means a complete drying process as defined by the required programme, consisting of a series of different operations including heating and tumbling;

ö) 'final moisture content' means for household washer-dryers the amount of moisture contained in the load at the end of the drying cycle;

p) 'programme duration' ( $t_w$ ) means the length of time beginning with the initiation of the programme selected, excluding any user programmed delay, until the end of the programme is indicated and the user has access to the load;

r) 'standard cycle energy consumption' (SCE) means the energy consumption taken as a reference as a function of the rated capacity of a household washing machine or of a household washer-dryer, expressed in kilowatt hour per cycle;

s) 'continuous cycle' means a complete cycle without interruption of the process and with no need for user intervention at any point during the programme;

ş) 'complete cycle' means a washing and drying process, consisting of a washing cycle and a drying cycle;

t) 'spare part' means a separate part that can replace a part with the same or similar function in a product;

u) 'professional repairer' means an operator or undertaking which provides services of repair and professional maintenance of household washing machines or of household washer-dryers;

ü) 'wash and dry' means the name of the complete cycle of a household washer-dryer, which consists of the eco 40-60 or eko 40-60 programme for the washing cycle, and of a drying cycle achieving cupboard dry status;

v) 'washing efficiency index' means the ratio of the washing efficiency of the washing cycle of a household washing machine or of a household washer-dryer ( $I_w$ ), or of the complete cycle of a household washer-dryer ( $J_w$ ), to the washing efficiency of a reference household washing machine;

y) 'delay start' ( $P_{ds}$ ) means a condition where the user has selected a specified delay to the beginning or end of the cycle of the selected programme;

## ECODESIGN REQUIREMENTS

### 1. PROGRAMME REQUIREMENTS

(1) From 1 March 2021, household washing machines and household washer-dryers shall meet the following requirements:

a) Household washing machines and household washer-dryers shall provide:

1) A washing cycle called ‘eco 40-60’ or ‘eko 40-60’, which is able to clean normally soiled cotton laundry declared to be washable at 40 °C or 60 °C, together in the same cycle;

2) A washing cycle called ‘20 °C’, which is able to clean lightly soiled cotton laundry, at a nominal temperature of 20 °C;

3) These cycles shall be clearly identifiable on the programme selection, on the display and through the network connection, depending on the functionalities provided by the household washing machine or household washer-dryer;

b) For the requirements set out in points 3(1)(a), 2(a), 4(1)(a), 4(1)(b), 4(1)(d), 5 and 6(1)(a), the ‘eco 40-60 or eko 40-60’ programme shall be used.

c) The eco 40-60 or eko 40-60 programme shall be named ‘eco 40-60’ or ‘eko 40-60’ on the programme selection, on the display and through the network connection, depending on the functionalities provided by the household washing machine or the household washer-dryer.

ç) The name ‘eco 40-60’ or ‘eko 40-60’ shall be used exclusively for this programme. The formatting of ‘eco 40-60’ or ‘eko 40-60’ is not restricted in terms of font, font size, case sensitivity or colour. No other programme may have in its name the term ‘eco’ or ‘eko’.

d) The eco 40-60 or eko 40-60 programme shall be set as the default programme for automatic programme selection or any function maintaining the selection of a programme, or, if there is no automatic programme selection, shall be available for direct selection without the need for any other selection such as a specific temperature or load;

e) The indications ‘normal’, ‘daily’, ‘regular’ and ‘standard’, and their translations in all EU official languages, shall not be used in programme names for household washing machines or household washer-dryers, either alone or in combination with other information.

## 2. WASH AND DRY CYCLE

(1) From 1 March 2021, household washer-dryers shall meet the following requirements:

a) Household washer-dryers shall provide a complete cycle for cotton laundry, named 'wash and dry':

- which is continuous if the household washer-dryer provides a continuous cycle;
- where the washing cycle is an eco 40-60 or eko 40-60 programme as defined in point 1; and
- where the drying cycle achieves cupboard dry status;

b) The wash and dry cycle shall be clearly identifiable in the user instructions referred to in point 9 of this Annex;

c) If the household washer-dryer provides a continuous cycle, the rated capacity of the wash and dry cycle shall be the rated capacity for this cycle;

ç) If the household washer-dryer does not provide a continuous cycle, the rated capacity of the wash and dry cycle shall be the lower value of the rated washing capacity of the eco 40-60 or eko 40-60 programme and the rated drying capacity of the drying cycle achieving cupboard dry status;

d) For the requirements set out in points 3(1)(b), 2(b), 4(1)(c), 4(1)(ç), 4(1)(e) and 6(1)(b), the wash and dry cycle shall be used.

## 3. ENERGY EFFICIENCY REQUIREMENTS

(1) From 1 March 2021, household washing machines and household washer-dryers shall meet the following requirements:

a) The Energy Efficiency Index ( $EEI_W$ ) for household washing machines and the washing cycle of household washer-dryers shall be lower than 105;

b) The Energy Efficiency Index ( $EEI_{WD}$ ) for the wash and dry cycle of household washer-dryers shall be lower than 105.

(2) From 1 March 2024, household washing machines with a rated capacity higher than 3 kg and household washer-dryers with a rated washing capacity higher than 3 kg shall meet the following requirements:

a) The  $EEI_W$  for household washing machines and the washing cycle of household washer-dryers shall be lower than 91.

b) The  $EEI_{WD}$  for the wash and dry cycle of household washer-dryers shall be lower than 88.

(3) The  $EEI_W$  and  $EEI_{WD}$  shall be calculated in accordance with Annex III.

#### 4. FUNCTIONAL REQUIREMENTS

(1) From 1 March 2021, household washing machines and household washer-dryers shall meet the following requirements:

a) For household washing machines with a rated capacity higher than 3 kg and for the washing cycle of household washer-dryers with a rated capacity higher than 3 kg, the Washing Efficiency Index ( $I_w$ ) of the eco 40-60 or eko 40-60 programme shall be greater than 1,03 for each of the following loading sizes: rated washing capacity, half of the rated washing capacity and a quarter of the rated washing capacity;

b) For household washing machines with a rated capacity lower than or equal to 3 kg and for the washing cycle of household washer-dryers with a rated capacity lower than or equal to 3 kg, the Washing Efficiency Index ( $I_w$ ) of the eco 40-60 or eko 40-60 programme shall be greater than 1,00 at rated washing capacity;

c) For household washer-dryers with a rated capacity higher than 3 kg, the Washing Efficiency Index ( $J_w$ ) of the wash and dry cycle shall be greater than 1,03 at rated capacity and at half of the rated capacity;

ç) For household washer-dryers with a rated capacity lower than or equal to 3 kg, the Washing Efficiency Index ( $J_w$ ) of the wash and dry cycle shall be greater than 1,00 at rated capacity;

d) For household washing machines with a rated capacity higher than 3 kg and for the washing cycle of household washer-dryers with a rated capacity higher than 3 kg, the Rinsing Effectiveness ( $I_R$ ) of the eco 40-60 or eko 40-60 programme shall be smaller than or equal to 5,0 g/kg for each of the following loading sizes: rated washing capacity, half of the rated washing capacity and a quarter of the rated washing capacity;

e) For household washer-dryers with a rated capacity higher than 3 kg, the Rinsing Effectiveness ( $J_R$ ) of the wash and dry cycle shall be smaller than or equal to 5,0 g/kg at rated capacity and at half of the rated capacity.

(2) The  $I_w$ ,  $J_w$ ,  $I_R$  and  $J_R$  shall be calculated in accordance with Annex III.

#### 5. REQUIREMENTS ON DURATION

(1) From 1 March 2021, household washing machines and household washer-dryers shall meet the following requirements. The duration of the eco 40-60 or eko 40-60 programme ( $t_w$ ), expressed in hours and minutes and rounded to the nearest minute, shall be lower than or equal to the time limit  $t_{cap}$ , which depends on the rated capacity as follows:

a) For the rated washing capacity, the time limit is given by the following equation:

$$t_{cap}(in\ min) = 137 + c \times 10,2$$

with a maximum of 240 minutes;

b) For half of the rated washing capacity and a quarter of the rated washing capacity, the time limit is given by the following equation:

$$t_{cap}(in\ min) = 120 + c \times 6$$

with a maximum of 180 minutes;

- where  $c$  is the rated capacity of the household washing machine or the rated washing capacity of the household washer-dryer for the eco 40-60 or eko 40-60 programme.

## 6. WEIGHTED WATER CONSUMPTION REQUIREMENT

(1) From 1 March 2021, household washing machines and household washer-dryers shall meet the following requirements:

a) For household washing machines and the washing cycle of household washer-dryers, the weighted water consumption ( $W_w$ , in litres/cycle) for the eco 40-60 or eko 40-60 programme shall be:

$$W_w \leq 2,25 \times c + 30$$

- where  $c$  is the rated capacity of the household washing machine or the rated washing capacity of the household washer-dryer for the eco 40-60 or eko 40-60 programme;

b) For household washer-dryers, the weighted water consumption ( $W_{WD}$ , in litres/cycle) for the wash and dry cycle shall be:

$$W_{WD} \leq 10 \times d + 30$$

- where  $d$  is the rated capacity of the household washer-dryer for the wash and dry cycle.

(2) The  $W_w$  and  $W_{WD}$  shall be calculated in accordance with Annex III.

## 7. LOW POWER MODES

(1) From 1 March 2021, household washing machines and household washer-dryers shall meet the following requirements:

a) Household washing machines and household washer-dryers shall have an off-mode or a stand-by mode or both. The power consumption of these modes shall not exceed 0,50 W;

b) If the stand-by mode includes the display of information or status, the power consumption of this mode shall not exceed 1,00 W;

c) If the stand-by mode provides for a connection to a network and provides networked standby as defined in Regulation on Ecodesign Requirements For Standby And Off Mode Electric Power Consumption Of Electrical And Electronic Household And Office Equipment (SVG M:2020/...) published in the Official Gazette dated .../.../.... and No. ...., the power consumption of this mode shall not exceed 2,00 W;

ç) At the latest 15 minutes after the household washing machine and household washer-dryer have been switched on or after the end of any programme and associated activities or after interruption of the wrinkle guard function or after any other interaction with the household washing machine and household washer-dryer, if no other mode, including emergency measures, is triggered, the household washing machine and household washer-dryer shall switch automatically to off-mode or standby mode;

d) If the household washing machine and household washer-dryer provide for a delay start, the power consumption of this condition, including any standby mode, shall not exceed 4,00 W. The delay start shall not be programmable by the user for more than 24 h;

e) Any household washing machine and any household washer-dryer that can be connected to a network shall provide the possibility to activate and deactivate the network connection(s). The network connection(s) shall be deactivated by default.

## 8. RESOURCE EFFICIENCY REQUIREMENTS

(1) From 1 March 2021, household washing machines and household washer-dryers shall meet the following requirements:

a) Availability of spare parts:

1) Manufacturers, importers or authorised representatives of household washing machines and household washer-dryers shall make available to professional repairers at least the following spare parts, for a minimum period of 10 years after placing the last unit of the model on the market:

- Motor and motor brushes,
- Transmission between motor and drum,
- Pumps,
- Shock absorbers and springs,
- Washing drum, drum spider and related ball bearings (separately or bundled),

- Heaters and heating elements, including heat pumps (separately or bundled),
- Piping and related equipment including all hoses, valves, filters and aquastops (separately or bundled);
- Printed circuit boards,
- Electronic displays,
- Pressure switches,
- Thermostats and sensors,
- Software and firmware including reset software.

2) Manufacturers, importers or authorised representatives of household washing machines and household washer-dryers shall make available to professional repairers and end-users at least the following spare parts: door, door hinge and seals, other seals, door locking assembly and plastic peripherals such as detergent dispensers, for a minimum period of 10 years after placing the last unit of the model on the market,

3) Manufacturers, importers or authorised representatives of household washing machines and household washer-dryers shall ensure that the spare parts mentioned in subpoints (1) and (2) of this point can be replaced with the use of commonly available tools and without permanent damage to the household washing machine or household washer-dryer,

4) The list of spare parts concerned by subpoint (1) of this point and the procedure for ordering them shall be publicly available on the free access website of the manufacturer, importer or authorised representative, at the latest two years after the placing on the market of the first unit of a model and until the end of the period of availability of these spare parts

5) The list of spare parts concerned by subpoint (2) of this point and the procedure for ordering them and the repair instructions shall be publicly available on the free access website of the manufacturer, importer or authorised representative, when placing the first unit of a model on the market and until the end of the period of availability of these spare parts.

b) Maximum delivery time of spare parts:

1) During the period mentioned under (a)(1), the manufacturer, importer or authorised representative shall ensure the delivery of the spare parts within 15 working days after having received the order;

2) In the case of spare parts concerned by point (a)(1), the availability of spare parts may be limited to professional repairers registered in accordance with point (c)(2) and (3);

c) Access to repair and maintenance information:

1) After a period of two years after the placing on the market of the first unit of a model and until the end of the period mentioned under (a), the manufacturer, importer or authorised representative shall provide access to the household washing machine or household washer-dryer repair and maintenance information to professional repairers in the following conditions:

2) The manufacturer's, importer's or authorised representative's website shall indicate the process for professional repairers to register for access to information; to accept such a request, the manufacturers, importers or authorised representatives may require the professional repairer to demonstrate that:

- The professional repairer has the technical competence to repair household washing machines and household washer-dryers and complies with the applicable regulations for repairers of electrical equipment where it operates. Reference to an official registration system as professional repairer shall be accepted as proof of compliance with this point;

- The professional repairer is covered by insurance covering liabilities resulting from its activity regardless of whether this is required.

3) Manufacturers, importers or authorised representatives shall accept or refuse the registration within 5 working days from the date of request.

4) Manufacturers, importers or authorised representatives may charge reasonable and proportionate fees for access to the repair and maintenance information or for receiving regular updates. A fee is reasonable if it does not discourage access by failing to take into account the extent to which the professional repairer uses the information.

5) Once registered, a professional repairer shall have access, within one working day after requesting it, to the requested repair and maintenance information. The information may be provided for an equivalent model or model of the same family, if relevant.

6) The household washing machine or household washer-dryer repair and maintenance information referred to in (2) shall include:

- The unequivocal household washing machine or household washer-dryer identification,
- A disassembly map or exploded view,
- Technical manual of instructions for repair,
- List of necessary repair and test equipment,
- Component and diagnosis information (such as minimum and maximum theoretical values for measurements),
- Wiring and connection diagrams,
- Diagnostic fault and error codes (including manufacturer-specific codes, where applicable),
- Instructions for installation of relevant software and firmware including reset software, and,
- Information on how to access data records of reported failure incidents stored on the household washing machine or washer-dryer (where applicable).

ç) Information requirements for refrigerant gases:

1) Without prejudice to Regulation on Fluorinated Greenhouse Gases (517/2014/EU) published in the Official Gazette dated 04/01/2018 and numbered 30291, for household washing machines and household washer-dryers equipped with a heat pump, the chemical name of the refrigerant gas used, or equivalent reference such as a commonly used and understood symbol, label or logo, shall be displayed permanently and in a visible and readable way on the exterior of the household washing machines or household washer-dryers, for example on the back panel. More than one reference can be used for the same chemical name;

d) Requirements for dismantling for material recovery and recycling while avoiding pollution:

1) Manufacturers, importers or authorised representatives shall ensure that household washing machines and household washer-dryers are designed in such a way that the materials and components referred to in Article 14 Point 3 of the Regulation on Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment (2002/96/EC) published in the Official Gazette dated 22/05/2012 and numbered 28300 can be removed with the use of commonly available tools;

2) Manufacturers, importers or authorised representatives shall fulfil the obligations laid down in Article 9 of the Regulation on the Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment (WEEE) (2002/96/EC).

## 9. INFORMATION REQUIREMENTS

(1) From 1 March 2021, household washing machines and household washer-dryers shall meet the following requirements. User and installer instructions shall be provided in the form of a user manual on a free access website of the manufacturer, importer or authorised representative, and shall include:

a) The following general information:

1) Information that the eco 40-60 or eko 40-60 programme is able to clean normally soiled cotton laundry declared to be washable at 40 °C or 60 °C, together in the same cycle, and that this programme is used to assess the compliance with the EU ecodesign legislation,

2) Information that the most efficient programmes in terms of energy consumption are generally those that perform at lower temperatures and longer duration,

3) For household washer-dryers: information that the wash and dry cycle is able to clean normally soiled cotton laundry declared to be washable at 40 °C or 60 °C, together in the same cycle, and to dry it in such a way that it can be immediately stored in a cupboard, and that this programme is used to assess the compliance with the EU ecodesign legislation,

4) Information that loading the household washing machine or the household washer-dryer up to the capacity indicated by the manufacturer for the respective programmes will contribute to energy and water savings,

5) Recommendations on the type of detergents suitable for the various washing temperatures and washing programmes,

6) Information that noise and remaining moisture content are influenced by the spinning speed: the higher the spinning speed in the spinning phase, the higher the noise and the lower the remaining moisture content,

7) Information on how to activate and deactivate the network connection (if applicable) and impact on energy consumption,

8) Instruction on how to find the model information stored in the product database or supplier's own website, as defined in the Communique on Energy Labeling of Household

Washing Machines and Household Washer-Dryers (SGM:2021/4) by means of a weblink that links to the model information as stored in the product database or supplier's own website or a link to the product database or supplier's own website and information on how to find the model identifier on the product;

b) For each of the following programmes (at least):

i) The eco 40-60 or eko 40-60 programme at the rated capacity, half of the rated capacity and a quarter of the rated capacity,

ii) The 20 °C programme at the rated capacity for this programme,

iii) One cotton programme at nominal temperature higher than or equal to 60 °C (if present) at the rated capacity for this programme,

iv) One programme for other textiles than cotton or a mix of textiles (if present) at the rated capacity for this programme,

v) One programme for the quick washing of lightly soiled laundry (if present) at the rated capacity for this programme,

vi) One programme for heavily soiled textiles (if present) at the rated capacity for this programme,

vii) For household washer-dryers: the wash and dry cycle at the rated capacity and at half of the rated capacity, and the information that the values given for programmes other than the eco 40-60 programme and the wash and dry cycle are indicative only;

are provided and the following parameter values are provided:

1) Rated capacity in kg,

2) Programme duration, expressed in hours and minutes,

3) Energy consumption, expressed in kWh/cycle,

4) Water consumption, expressed in litres/cycle,

5) Maximum temperature reached for minimum 5 minutes inside the laundry being treated in the washing cycle, expressed in degrees centigrade, and

6) Remaining moisture content after the washing cycle, expressed in percentage of water content, and spinning speed at which this was achieved.

c) The user instructions shall also include instructions for the user to perform maintenance operations. Such instructions shall as a minimum include instructions for:

1) Correct installation (including level positioning, connection to mains, connection to water inlets, cold and/or hot if appropriate),

2) Correct use of detergent, softeners and other additives, and main consequences of incorrect dosage,

3) Foreign object removal from the household washing machine or household washer-dryer,

4) Periodic cleaning, including optimal frequency, and limescale prevention and procedure,

5) Door opening between cycles, if appropriate,

6) Periodic checks of filters, including optimal frequency, and procedure,

7) Identification of errors, the meaning of the errors, and the action required, including identification of errors requiring professional assistance;

8) How to access professional repair (internet webpages, addresses, contact details),

9) Such instructions shall also include information on:

i) Any implications of self-repair or non-professional repair for the safety of the end-user and for the guarantee,

ii) The minimum period during which the spare parts for the household washing machine or the household washer-dryer are available.

## MEASUREMENT METHODS AND CALCULATIONS

1. For the purposes of compliance and verification of compliance with the requirements of this Regulation, measurements and calculations shall be made using harmonised standards the reference numbers of which have been published for this purpose in the *Official Journal of the European Union*, or other reliable, accurate and reproducible methods, which take into account the generally recognised state-of-the-art, and in line with the following provisions.

2. When measuring the parameters defined in Annex II and in this annex for the eco 40-60 or eko 40-60 programme and for the wash and dry cycle, the highest spin speed option for the eco 40-60 or eko 40-60 programme shall be used at rated capacity, at half of the rated capacity and at a quarter of the rated capacity.

3. For household washing machines with a rated capacity lower than or equal to 3 kg and for household washer-dryers with a rated washing capacity lower than or equal to 3 kg, the parameters for the eco 40-60 or eko 40-60 programme and for the wash and dry cycle shall be measured at rated capacity only.

4. The duration of the eco 40-60 or eko 40-60 programme ( $t_w$ ) and the duration of the wash and dry cycle ( $t_{WD}$ ) shall be expressed in hours and minutes and rounded to the nearest minute.

### 5. ENERGY EFFICIENCY INDEX

(1) For the calculation of the Energy Efficiency Index ( $EEI_w$ ) of household washing machines and the washing cycle of household washer-dryers, the weighted energy consumption of the eco 40-60 or eko 40-60 programme at the rated washing capacity, half of the rated washing capacity and a quarter of the rated washing capacity is compared to its standard cycle energy consumption.

a) The  $EEI_w$  is calculated as follows, and is rounded to one decimal place:

$$EEI_w = (E_w / SCE_w) \times 100$$

where;

-  $E_w$  is the weighted energy consumption of the household washing machine or of the washing cycle of the household washer-dryer;

-  $SCE_w$  is the standard cycle energy consumption of the household washing machine or the washing cycle of the household washer-dryer.

b) The  $SCE_w$  is calculated in kWh per cycle as follows, and is rounded to three decimal places:

$$SCE_w = -0,0025 \times c^2 + 0,0846 \times c + 0,3920$$

where;

- c is the rated capacity of the household washing machine or the rated washing capacity of the household washer-dryer for the eco 40-60 programme.

c) The  $E_W$  is calculated in kWh per cycle as follows, and is rounded to three decimal places:

$$E_W = A \times E_{W,\text{full}} + B \times E_{W,1/2} + C \times E_{W,1/4}$$

where;

- $E_{W,\text{full}}$  is the energy consumption of the household washing machine or of the washing cycle of the household washer-dryer for the eco 40-60 or eko 40-60 programme at the rated washing capacity and rounded to three decimal places.

- $E_{W,1/2}$  is the energy consumption of the household washing machine or of the washing cycle of the household washer-dryer for the eco 40-60 or eko 40-60 programme at half of the rated washing capacity and rounded to three decimal places.

- $E_{W,1/4}$  is the energy consumption of the household washing machine or of the washing cycle of the household washer-dryer for the eco 40-60 or eko 40-60 programme at a quarter of the rated washing capacity and rounded to three decimal places.

-A is the weighting factor for the rated washing capacity and rounded to three decimal places.

-B is the weighting factor for half of the rated washing capacity and rounded to three decimal places.

-C is the weighting factor for a quarter of the rated washing capacity and rounded to three decimal places.

ç) For household washing machines with a rated capacity lower than or equal to 3 kg and for household washer-dryers with a rated washing capacity lower than or equal to 3 kg, A shall be equal to 1; B and C shall be equal to 0. For other household washing machines and household washer-dryers, the values of the weighting factors depend on the rated capacity according to the following equations:

$$A = -0,0391 \times c + 0,6918$$

$$B = -0,0109 \times c + 0,3582$$

$$C = 1 - (A + B)$$

where;

-c is the rated capacity of the household washing machine or the rated washing capacity of the household washer dryer.

(2) Energy Efficiency Index ( $EEI_{WD}$ ) of the complete cycle of household washer-dryers

For the calculation of the  $EEI_{WD}$  of a household washer-dryer model, the weighted energy consumption of the wash and dry cycle at the rated capacity and half of the rated capacity is compared to its standard cycle energy consumption.

a) The  $EEI_{WD}$  is calculated as follows, and is rounded to one decimal place:

$$EEI_{WD} = ( E_{WD} / SCE_{WD} ) \times 100$$

where;

- $E_{WD}$  is the weighted energy consumption of the complete cycle of the household washer-dryer.

- $SCE_{WD}$  is the standard cycle energy consumption of the complete cycle of the household washer-dryer.

b) The  $SCE_{WD}$  is calculated in kWh per cycle as follows, and is rounded to three decimal places:

$$SCE_{WD} = -0,0502 \times d^2 + 1,1742 \times d - 0,644$$

where;

- $d$  is the rated capacity of the household washer-dryer for the wash and dry cycle.

c) For household washer-dryers with a rated washing capacity lower than or equal to 3 kg,  $E_{WD}$  is the energy consumption at rated capacity and rounded to three decimal places. For other household washer-dryers,  $E_{WD}$  is calculated in kWh per cycle as follows, and is rounded to three decimal places:

$$E_{WD} = \frac{[ 3 \times E_{WD,full} + 2 \times E_{WD,1/2} ]}{5}$$

where;

-  $E_{WD,full}$  is the energy consumption of the household washer-dryer for the wash and dry cycle at rated capacity and rounded to three decimal places.

-  $E_{WD,1/2}$  is the energy consumption of the household washer-dryer for the wash and dry cycle at half of the rated capacity and rounded to three decimal places.

## 6. WASHING EFFICIENCY INDEX

(1) The washing efficiency index of household washing machines and of the washing cycle of household washer-dryers ( $I_w$ ) and the washing efficiency index of the complete cycle of household washer-dryers ( $J_w$ ) shall be calculated using harmonised standards the reference numbers of which have been published for this purpose in the *Official Journal of the European Union*, or other reliable, accurate and reproducible methods, which take into account the generally recognised state-of-the-art, and rounded to two decimal places.

## 7. RINSING EFFECTIVENESS

(1) The rinsing effectiveness of household washing machines and of the washing cycle of household washer-dryers ( $I_R$ ) and the rinsing effectiveness of the complete cycle of household washer-dryers ( $J_R$ ) shall be calculated using harmonised standards the reference numbers of which have been published for this purpose in the *Official Journal of the European Union*, or other reliable, accurate and reproducible method based on the detection of the linear alkylbenzene sulfonate (LAS) marker, and rounded to one decimal place.

## 8. MAXIMUM TEMPERATURE

(1) The maximum temperature reached for 5 minutes inside the laundry being treated in the household washing machines and in the washing cycle of household washer-dryers shall be determined using harmonised standards the reference numbers of which have been published for this purpose in the *Official Journal of the European Union*, or other reliable, accurate and reproducible method and rounded to the nearest integer.

## 9. WEIGHTED WATER CONSUMPTION

(1) The weighted water consumption ( $W_w$ ) of a household washing machine or of the washing cycle of a household washer-dryer is calculated in litres as follows, and is rounded to the nearest integer:

$$W_t = ( A \times W_{w,full} + B \times W_{w,1/2} + C \times W_{w,1/4} )$$

where;

- $W_{w,full}$  is the water consumption of the household washing machine or of the washing cycle of a household washer-dryer for the eco 40-60 or eko 40-60 programme at rated washing capacity, in litres and rounded to one decimal place.

- $W_{w,1/2}$  is the water consumption of the household washing machine or of the washing cycle of a household washer-dryer for the eco 40-60 or eko 40-60 programme at half of the rated washing capacity, in litres and rounded to one decimal place.

- $W_{w,1/4}$  is the water consumption of the household washing machine or of the washing cycle of a household washer-dryer for the eco 40-60 or eko 40-60 programme at a quarter of the rated washing capacity, in litres and rounded to one decimal place.

- A, B and C are the weighting factors as described in point 5.1(c) of this Annex.

(2) For household washer-dryers with a rated washing capacity lower than or equal to 3 kg, the weighted water consumption is the water consumption at rated capacity and rounded to the nearest integer. For other household washer-dryers, the weighted water consumption ( $W_{WD}$ ) of the wash and dry cycle of a household washer-dryer is calculated as follows, and is rounded to the nearest integer:

$$W_{WD} = \frac{[3 \times W_{WD,full} + 2 \times W_{WD,1/2}]}{5}$$

where;

-  $W_{WD,full}$  is the water consumption of the wash and dry cycle of a household washer-dryer at rated capacity, in litres and rounded to one decimal place.

-  $W_{WD,1/2}$  is the water consumption of the wash and dry cycle of a household washer-dryer at half of the rated capacity, in litres and rounded to one decimal place.

## 10. REMAINING MOISTURE CONTENT

(1) The weighted remaining moisture content after washing ( $D$ ) of a household washing machine and of the washing cycle of a household washer-dryer is calculated in percentage as follows, and is rounded to the nearest whole percent:

$$D = (A \times D_{full} + B \times D_{1/2} + C \times D_{1/4})$$

where;

-  $D_{full}$ , is the remaining moisture content for the eco 40-60 or eko 40-60 programme at rated washing capacity, in percentage and rounded to one decimal place.

-  $D_{1/2}$  is the remaining moisture content of the eco 40-60 or eko 40-60 programme at half of the rated washing capacity in percentage and rounded to one decimal place.

-  $D_{1/4}$  is the remaining moisture content of the eco 40-60 or eko 40-60 programme at a quarter of the rated washing capacity in percentage and rounded to one decimal place.

- A, B and C are the weighting factors as described in point 5.1(c) of this Annex.

## 11. FINAL MOISTURE CONTENT

(1) For the drying cycle of a household washer-dryer, cupboard dry status corresponds to 0 % final moisture content, which is the thermodynamic equilibrium of the load with the ambient air conditions of temperature (tested at  $20 \pm 2$  °C) and relative humidity (tested at  $65 \pm 5$  %).

(2) The final moisture content is calculated in accordance with the harmonised standards the reference numbers of which have been published for this purpose in the *Official Journal of the European Union* and rounded to one decimal place.

## 12. LOW POWER MODES

(1) The power consumption of the off mode ( $P_o$ ), standby mode ( $P_{sm}$ ) and where applicable delay start ( $P_{ds}$ ) are measured. The measured values are expressed in W and rounded to two decimal places.

(2) During measurements of the power consumption in low power modes, the following shall be checked and recorded:

- the display or not of information,
- the activation or not of a network connection.

(3) If the household washing machine and household washer-dryer provides for a wrinkle guard function, this operation shall be interrupted by opening the household washing machine or household washer-dryer door, or any other appropriate intervention 15 minutes before the measurement of energy consumption.

## VERIFICATION PROCEDURE FOR MARKET SURVEILLANCE PURPOSES

1. The verification tolerances defined in this Annex relate only to the verification of the declared parameters by Ministry authorities and shall not be used by the manufacturer, importer or authorised representative as an allowed tolerance to establish the values in the technical documentation or in interpreting these values with a view to achieving compliance or to communicate better performance by any means.

2. Where a model has been designed to be able to detect it is being tested (e.g. by recognising the test conditions or test cycle), and to react specifically by automatically altering its performance during the test with the objective of reaching a more favourable level for any of the parameters specified in this Communique or included in the technical documentation or included in any of the documentation provided, the model and all equivalent models shall be considered not compliant.

3. When verifying the compliance of a product model with the requirements laid down in this Regulation pursuant to paragraph 2 of Article 5 of the Regulation on Ecodesign Requirements for Energy-Related Products (2009/125/EC) published in the Official Gazette No. 27722 dated 07/10/2010, for the requirements referred to in this Annex, the authorities of the Ministry shall apply the following procedure:

a) the Ministry authorities shall verify one single unit of the model;

b) the model shall be considered to comply with the applicable requirements if:

(1) the values given in the technical documentation pursuant to Article 2 of Annex IV of the Regulation on Ecodesign Requirements for Energy-Related Products (2009/125/EC) (declared values), and, where applicable, the values used to calculate these values, are not more favourable for the manufacturer, importer or authorised representative than the results of the corresponding measurements carried out pursuant to paragraph (f) thereof; and

(2) the declared values meet any requirements laid down in this Communique, and any required product information published by the manufacturer, importer or authorised representative does not contain values that are more favourable for the manufacturer, importer or authorised representative than the declared values; and

(3) when the Ministry authorities check the unit of the model, they find that the manufacturer, importer or authorised representative has put in place a system that complies with the requirements in the second paragraph of Article 9; and

(4) when the Ministry authorities check the unit of the model, it complies with the programme requirements in point 1, resource efficiency requirements in point 5 and information requirements in point 6 of Annex II; and

(5) when the Ministry authorities test the unit of the model, the determined values (the values of the relevant parameters as measured in testing and the values calculated from these measurements) comply with the respective verification tolerances as given in Table 1;

c) if the results referred to in point (b)(1), (2), (3) or (4) of this article are not achieved, the model and all equivalent models shall be considered not to comply with this Communiqué;

ç) if the result referred to in point (b)(5) of this article is not achieved, the Ministry authorities shall select three additional units of the same model for testing. As an alternative, the three additional units selected may be of one or more equivalent models;

d) the model shall be considered to comply with the applicable requirements if, for these three units, the arithmetical mean of the determined values complies with the respective verification tolerances given in Table 1;

e) if the result referred to in point (d) of this article is not achieved, the model and all equivalent models shall be considered not to comply with this Communiqué;

f) the Ministry authorities shall provide all relevant information to the authorities of the Member States and to the Commission without delay after a decision being taken on the non-compliance of the model according to points (c) or (e) of this article.

4. The Ministry authorities shall use the measurement and calculation methods set out in Annex III.

5. The Ministry authorities shall only apply the verification tolerances that are set out in Table 1 and shall use only the procedure described in subpoints of point 3 of this Annex for the requirements referred to in this Annex. For the parameters in Table 1, no other verification tolerances, such as those set out in harmonised standards or in any other measurement method, shall be applied.

**Table 1**  
**Verification Tolerances**

<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Verification Tolerances</b>
$E_{W,full}$ , $E_{W,1/2}$ , $E_{W,1/4}$ , $E_{WD,full}$ , $E_{WD,1/2}$	The determined value * shall not exceed the declared value of $E_{W,full}$ , $E_{W,1/2}$ , $E_{W,1/4}$ , $E_{WD,full}$ , $E_{WD,1/2}$ respectively, by more than 10 %.
Weighted energy consumption ( $E_W$ ve $E_{WD}$ )	The determined value * shall not exceed the declared value of $E_W$ , respectively $E_{WD}$ by more than 10 %.
$W_{W,full}$ , $W_{W,1/2}$ , $W_{W,1/4}$ , $W_{WD,full}$ , $W_{WD,1/2}$	The determined value* shall not exceed the declared value of $W_{W,full}$ , $W_{W,1/2}$ , $W_{W,1/4}$ , $W_{WD,full}$ , $W_{WD,1/2}$ , respectively, by more than 10 %.
Weighted water consumption ( $W_W$ ve $W_{WD}$ )	The determined value*, shall not exceed the declared value of $W_W$ respectively $W_{WD}$ , by more than 10 %.

Washing efficiency index ( $I_W$ ve $J_W$ )	The determined value* shall not be less than the declared value of $I_W$ , respectively $J_W$ , by more than 8 %.
Rinsing effectiveness ( $I_R$ ve $J_R$ )	The determined value* shall not exceed the declared value of $I_R$ , respectively $J_R$ , by more than 1,0 g/kg.
Duration of the eco 40-60 or eko 40-60 programme ( $t_w$ )	The determined value* of the programme duration shall not exceed the declared value of $t_w$ by more than 5 % or by more than 10 minutes, whichever is the smaller.
Duration of the wash and dry cycle ( $t_{wD}$ )	The determined value of the cycle duration shall not exceed the declared value of $t_{wD}$ by more than 5 % or by more than 10 minutes, whichever is the smaller.
Maximum temperature inside the laundry (T)	The determined value shall not be less than the declared values of T by more than 5 K and it shall not exceed the declared value of T by more than 5 K.(K=Kelvin)
$D_{full}$ , $D_{1/2}$ , $D_{1/4}$ ,	The determined value* shall not exceed the declared value of $D_{full}$ , $D_{1/2}$ and $D_{1/4}$ , respectively, by more than 10 %.
Remaining moisture content after washing (D)	The determined value* shall not exceed the declared value of D by more than 10 %.
Final moisture content after drying	The determined value* shall not exceed 3,0 %.
Power consumption in off mode ( $P_o$ )	The determined value* of power consumption $P_o$ shall not exceed the declared value by more than 0,10 W.
Power consumption in standby mode ( $P_{sm}$ )	The determined value* of power consumption $P_{sm}$ shall not exceed the declared value by more than 10 % if the declared value is higher than 1,00 W, or by more than 0,10 W if the declared value is lower than or equal to 1,00 W.
Power consumption in delay start ( $P_{ds}$ )	The determined value* of power consumption $P_{ds}$ shall not exceed the declared value by more than 10 % if the declared value is higher than 1,00 W, or by more than 0,10 W if the declared value is lower than or equal to 1,00 W.

\* In the case of three additional units tested as prescribed in point (3)(ç), the determined value means the arithmetical mean of the values determined for these three additional units.

**BENCHMARKS****1. INDICATIVE BENCHMARKS FOR HOUSEHOLD WASHING MACHINES ON WATER AND ENERGY CONSUMPTION, WASHING EFFICIENCY AND AIRBORNE ACOUSTICAL NOISE EMISSIONS**

a) At the time of entry into force of this Communiqué, the best available technology on the market for household washing machines, in terms of their water and energy consumptions and airborne acoustical noise emissions during washing/spinning for the standard 60 °C cotton programme at rated capacity and half of the rated capacity and for the standard 40 °C cotton programme at half of the rated capacity, was identified as follows:

1) household washing machine with a rated capacity of 5 kg:

(a) energy consumption: 0,56 kWh/cycle (or 0,11 kWh/kg) corresponding to an overall annual consumption of 82 kWh/year;

(b) water consumption: 40 L/cycle, corresponding to 8 800 L/year for 220 cycles;

(c) airborne acoustical emissions during washing/spinning: 58/82 dB(A);

2) household washing machine with a rated capacity of 6 kg:

(a) energy consumption: 0,55 kWh/cycle (or 0,092 kWh/kg) corresponding to an overall annual consumption of 122 kWh/year;

(b) water consumption: 40,45 L/cycle, corresponding to 8 900 L/year for 220 cycles;

(c) airborne acoustical emissions during washing/spinning: 47/77 dB(A);

3) household washing machine with a rated capacity of 7 kg:

(a) energy consumption: 0,6 kWh/cycle (or 0,15 kWh/kg) corresponding to an overall annual consumption of 124 kWh/year;

(b) water consumption: 39 L/cycle, corresponding to 8 500 L/year for 220 cycles;

(c) airborne acoustical emissions during washing/spinning: 52/73 dB(A);

4) household washing machine with a rated capacity of 8 kg (when equipped with a heat pump):

(a) energy consumption: 0,52 kWh/cycle (or 0,065 kWh/kg) corresponding to an overall annual consumption of 98 kWh/year;

(b) water consumption: 44,55 L/cycle, corresponding to 9 800 L/year for 220 cycles;

5) household washing machine with a rated capacity of 8 kg (when not equipped with heat pump technology):

(a) energy consumption: 0,54 kWh/cycle (or 0,067 kWh/kg) corresponding to an overall annual consumption of 116 kWh/year;

(b) water consumption: 36,82 L/cycle, corresponding to 8 100 L/year for 220 cycles;

6) household washing machine with a rated capacity of 9 kg:

(a) energy consumption: 0,35 kWh/cycle (or 0,038 kWh/kg) corresponding to an overall annual consumption of 76 kWh/year;

(b) water consumption: 47,72 L/cycle, corresponding to 10 499 L/year for 220 cycles.

## 2. INDICATIVE BENCHMARKS FOR HOUSEHOLD WASHER-DRYERS ON WATER AND ENERGY CONSUMPTION, WASHING EFFICIENCY AND AIRBORNE ACOUSTICAL NOISE EMISSIONS

a) At the time of entry into force of this Communiqué, the best available technology on the market for household washer-dryers, in terms of their water and energy consumptions and airborne acoustical noise emissions during washing/spinning/drying for the standard 60 °C cotton washing cycle at rated capacity and the 'dry cotton' drying cycle, is identified as follows:

1) household washer dryer with a rated washing capacity of 6 kg:

(a) energy consumption of a complete cycle (washing, spinning and drying) at rated capacity and at standard 60 °C cotton programme: 3,64 kWh/cycle corresponding to an overall annual consumption of 800,8 kWh/year;

(b) energy consumption of a washing cycle (washing and spinning only) at rated capacity and at standard 60 °C cotton programme: 0,77 kWh/cycle corresponding to an overall annual consumption of 169,4 kWh/year;

(c) water consumption of a complete cycle (washing, spinning and drying) at rated capacity and at standard 60 °C cotton programme: 78 L/cycle, corresponding to 17 160 L/year for 220 cycles;

(ç) airborne acoustic emissions during washing/spinning/drying: 51/77/66 dB(A);

2) household washer dryer with a rated washing capacity of 7 kg:

(a) energy consumption of a complete cycle (washing, spinning and drying) at rated capacity and at standard 60 °C cotton programme: 4,76 kWh/cycle corresponding to an overall annual consumption of 1 047 kWh/year;

(b) energy consumption of a washing cycle (washing and spinning only) at rated capacity and at standard 60 °C cotton programme: 0,8 kWh/cycle corresponding to an overall annual consumption of 176 kWh/year;

(c) water consumption of a complete cycle (washing, spinning and drying) at rated capacity and at standard 60 °C cotton programme: 72 L/cycle, corresponding to 15 840 L/year for 220 cycles;

(ç) airborne acoustic emissions during washing/spinning/drying: 47/73/58 dB(A);

3) household washer dryer with a rated washing capacity of 8 kg:

(a) energy consumption of a complete cycle (washing, spinning and drying) at rated capacity and at standard 60 °C cotton programme: 3,8 kWh/cycle corresponding to an overall annual consumption of 836 kWh/year;

(b) energy consumption of a washing cycle (washing and spinning only) at rated capacity and at standard 60 °C cotton programme: 1,04 kWh/cycle corresponding to an overall annual consumption of 229 kWh/year;

(c) water consumption of a complete cycle (washing, spinning and drying) at rated capacity and at standard 60 °C cotton programme: 70 L/cycle, corresponding to 15 400 L/year for 220 cycles;

(ç) airborne acoustic emissions during washing/spinning/drying: 49/73/66 dB(A);

4) household washer dryer with a rated washing capacity of 9 kg:

(a) energy consumption of a complete cycle (washing, spinning and drying) at rated capacity and at standard 60 °C cotton programme: 3,67 kWh/cycle corresponding to an overall annual consumption of 807 kWh/year;

(b) energy consumption of a washing cycle (washing and spinning only) at rated capacity and at standard 60 °C cotton programme: 1,09 kWh/cycle corresponding to an overall annual consumption of 240 kWh/year;

(c) water consumption of a complete cycle (washing, spinning and drying) at rated capacity and at standard 60 °C cotton programme: 69 L/cycle, corresponding to 15 180 L/year for 220 cycles;

(ç) airborne acoustic emissions during washing/spinning/drying: 49/75/66 dB(A).

**MULTI-DRUM HOUSEHOLD WASHING MACHINES AND MULTI-DRUM  
HOUSEHOLD WASHER-DRYERS**

1. For multi-drum household washing machines and multi-drum household washer-dryers, the provisions of points 1 to 6 and 9(1)(b) of Annex II, following the measurement and calculation methods set out in Annex III, shall apply to any drum. The provisions of points 7, 8, 9(1)(a) and 9(1)(c) of Annex II, apply to all multi-drum household washing machines and all multi-drum household washer-dryers.

2. The provisions of points 1 to 6 and 9(1)(b) of Annex II, shall apply to each of the drums independently, except when the drums are built in the same casing and can, in the eco 40-60 or eko 40-60 programme or in the wash and dry cycle, only operate simultaneously. In the latter case, these provisions shall apply to the multi-drum household washing machine or to the multi-drum household washer-dryer as a whole, as follows:

a) the rated washing capacity is the sum of the rated washing capacities of each drum; for multi-drum household washer-dryers, the rated capacity is the sum of the rated capacities of each drum;

b) the energy and water consumption of the multi-drum household washing machine and of the washing cycle of the multi-drum household washer-dryer is the sum of the energy consumption, or water consumption, of each drum;

c) the energy and water consumption of the complete cycle of the multi-drum household washer-dryer is the sum of the energy consumption, or water consumption, of each drum;

ç) the Energy Efficiency Index ( $EEI_w$ ) is calculated using the rated washing capacity and energy consumption; for multi-drum household washer-dryers, the Energy Efficiency Index ( $EEI_{wD}$ ) is calculated using the rated capacity and energy consumption;

d) each drum shall comply individually with the minimum washing efficiency and the minimum rinsing effectiveness requirements;

e) each drum shall comply individually with the requirement on duration applicable to the drum with the largest rated capacity;

f) the requirements on low power modes apply to the whole household washing machine or the whole household washer-dryer;

g) the residual moisture content after washing is calculated as the weighted average, according to each drum's rated capacity;

g) for household multi-drum washer-dryers, the requirement on final moisture content after drying applies individually to each drum.

3. The verification procedure set out in Annex IV applies to the multi-drum household washing machine and to the multi-drum household washer-dryer as a whole, with the verification tolerances applying to each of the parameters determined in application of this annex.