



RESOLUTION:

Nonylphenol in toys

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Acknowledging that:

- The chemical substance nonylphenol has attracted attention due to its prevalence in the environment and its potential role as an endocrine disruptor and xenoestrogen.
- The effects of nonylphenol in the environment are most applicable to aquatic species. Nonylphenol can cause endocrine disruption in fish by interacting with estrogen receptors and androgen receptors.
- Adverse effects of nonylphenol in humans cannot be ruled out.

Recognising that:

- Nonylphenol is nowadays broadly used, e.g. in the production process of clothing, but as well in plastic products such as toys.
- Nonylphenol has been added to the SVHC-list, the list of Substances of Very High Concern. Substances are added to the list among others because of their toxicity for reproduction.
- The use of nonylphenol is nowadays limited e.g. in clothing and its production process. Today there is a limit of 0.1 weight percentage for nonylphenol in clothing produced in the European Union. From 2021 onwards the limit will be 0.01 weight percentage.
- In a test conducted on behalf of KD Nuoret in cooperation with Kestävää hyvinvointia rakentamassa RY the weight percentage of nonylphenol in so called "loom bands" (a toy) was 0.2.

YEPP calls on

- The Member States to set a limit for nonylphenol in toys in accordance to the one in clothing.
- The Member States to make product safety in toys a bigger priority.