

# FRANCE IMPLEMENTS TRIMAN LOGO FOR PACKAGING SIGNAGES

As a general principle, harmonized and compulsory markings should be affixed to each product submitted to Extended Producer Responsibility (REP), including household packaging and graphic papers. Information on sorting must be attached to the Triman logo. It must be a mark that can be printed directly on, or affixed with a sticker, to the packaging. The new obligations had entered into force on January 1, 2022.

However, the Decree will offer a one-year transition period after its implementation. Businesses will have an additional 6 months grace period to allow clearance period of any products that had been imported or manufactured before the law's implementation.



SGS can verify the labeling and warnings applied to Toys to ensure their compliance with global regulations.

As part of its anti-wastage and circular economy law (AGEC Law), the French government has reformed the logos required on packaging and products to simplify sorting. Primary changes include the removal of the 'Green Dot' ('Le Point Vert') and the harmonization of the 'Triman' and 'Sorting Info' ('Info-Tri'). Decree 2021-835 was published on June 29, 2021.

This harmonized label providing sorting instructions (Sorting Info) became mandatory on 1 January 2022. It will need to be accompanied by the Triman logo, whether the packaging is recyclable or not. Consequently, all previous marking (standard or customized) will no longer be permitted from 9 March 2023.

There are 2 types harmonized formats. One is that the packaging is solely marketed for the French market; the other is that the packaging is distributed for several markets. The French AGECE Law modified the meaning of the Triman logo and the rules for using it: the symbol became mandatory on all packaging associated with a sorting or bring recycling rule, regardless of recyclability.

### Special Cases:

1. An exemption to marking has been granted for glass beverage packaging
2. When the largest surface of a product, or its packaging, is less than 10 cm<sup>2</sup> and no other document is supplied with it, then the entire marking (Triman + Sorting Instruction) can be made available by other means, such as on point-of-sale display or online
3. When the largest surface of a product, or its packaging is between 10 cm<sup>2</sup> and 20 cm<sup>2</sup> the Triman logo must be displayed, but the information (sorting instructions) can be made available by other means, such as point-of-sale display or online

### Timeline:



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