

UK Publishes Updated Standard References in Support of the Toys (Safety) Regulations

On 13 February 2026, the UK Department for Business and Trade (DBT) published Notice 0131/26 of references to standards for toys in support of the UK Toys (Safety) Regulations 2011 (S.I. 2011/1881) in relation to England, Wales and Scotland.

The updated standards for presumption of conformity with S.I. 2011/1881 are as follows:

(the changes as introduced in this Notice are highlighted in *italics*)



No	Reference of Standard	Title	Remarks
1.	EN 71-1:2014+ <i>A1:2018</i>	Safety of toys - Part 1: Mechanical and physical properties	<i>Restriction: As regards clauses 3.19 (definition of 'driving mechanism') and 4.15.1 for wave rollers (a ride-on toy where the child is seated, the steering and propulsion of which are controlled with the feet, and which have wheels within reach during use), designated standard EN 71-1:2014+A1:2018 does not confer a presumption of conformity with the essential safety requirements set out in regulation 5(2) and Part I, paragraph 3 of Schedule 2 of S.I. 2011/1881.</i>
2.	EN 71-2:2020	Safety of toys - Part 2: Flammability	
3.	EN 71-3:2019+ <i>A2:2024</i>	Safety of toys - Part 3: Migration of certain elements	EN 71-3:2019+A1:2021 will continue to apply until 2027-06-16.
4.	EN 71-4:2020	Safety of toys - Part 4: Experimental sets for chemistry and related activities	
5.	EN 71-5:2015	Safety of toys - Part 5: Chemical toys (sets) other than experimental sets	
6.	EN 71-7:2014+A3:2020	Safety of toys - Part 7: Finger paints - Requirements and test method	
7.	EN 71-8:2018	Safety of toys - Part 8: Activity toys for domestic use	
8.	EN 71-12:2016	Safety of toys - Part 12: N-Nitrosamines and N-nitrosatable substances	The limit values in point a) of Table 2 of clause 4.2 of standard 'EN 71-12:2016 Safety of toys - Part 12: N-Nitrosamines and N-nitrosatable substances' are lower than the limit values to be complied with set in point 8 of part III of Annex II to S.I. 2011/1881. In particular those values are detailed in note 1.
9.	EN 71-13:2021+ <i>A2:2024</i>	Safety of toys - Part 13: Olfactory board games, cosmetic kits and gustative games	EN 71-13:2021+A1:2022 will continue to apply until 2027-06-16.
10.	EN 71-14:2018	Safety of toys - Part 14: Trampolines for domestic use	
11.	EN IEC 62115:2020, EN IEC 62115:2020/A11:2020	Electric toys - Safety	See Note 2.

Notes:

1. Limit values for row 8 (EN 71-12:2016)

Substance	Standard EN 71-12:2016	S.I. 2011/1881
N-nitrosamines	0,01 mg/kg	0,05 mg/kg
N-nitrosatable	0,1 mg/kg	1 mg/kg

2. The presumption of conformity with the essential requirements of the Toys (Safety) Regulations, as provided for in those Regulations, applies through application of the above standard. The content of this note has been brought to the attention of the relevant standard committee in respect to toys containing or supplied with button and coin type batteries to consider the additional measures below for the next revision of the standard. In the meantime, users of EN 62115 are encouraged to follow the additional voluntary measures below for any toys that contain a coin or button battery:

(a) For button and coin batteries, ensure appropriate warnings on the packaging of toys, indicating the presence and hazards associated with such batteries, as well as actions to be taken in the event of a battery being swallowed or inserted into the body, as well as consideration for an appropriate graphical symbol to accompany these warnings.

(b) Where practical and appropriate, place a pictorial warning and/or hazard marking on toys containing a button or coin battery.

(c) Provide information in the toy's accompanying instruction manual (or on its packaging) of the symptoms of button or coin battery ingestion and the need to seek immediate medical attention in the event of such a suspected ingestion.

(d) When coin or button batteries are supplied with a toy, and these are not pre-installed in the battery compartment, these batteries should be supplied in child resistant packaging and appropriate warning markings placed on this packaging.

(e) Use coin and button batteries that are durably and indelibly marked with a pictorial warning indicating they should be kept out of reach of children or vulnerable persons.

Effective Date

The changes have become effective as of the date of this Notice, 13 February 2026, except items 3 and 9 with grace periods.

Reference

<https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/media/698d9ba975466636847f6a2e/ds-0131-26-toys-notice.pdf>

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