Dangerous substances and preparations (13th amend. Directive 76/769/EEC)

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In amending Annex 1 to Directive 76/769/EEC, the European Parliament and Council Directive imposed harmonized limits on the use of flammable gases in aerosol generators which are placed on the market and intended for sale to the general public for entertainment and decorative purposes. The objective was a double one: to ensure as far as possible the free movement of the products concerned and to guarantee a high level of protection for consumers. In order to ensure that the products referred to in the Directive were effectively controlled from the point of view of their marketing and use, the Directive made it obligatory for the said products to be labelled "For professional users only", in order to reinforce the restrictions which applied to their sale to the general public. It also prohibited the placing on the market of products which did not meet the requirements of the Directive. The Directive would enter into force: - either six months after the Commission had adopted a directive adapting to technical progress Directive 75 /324/EEC on aerosol generators, laying down the necessary testing procedures to verify that the products complied with the Directive; - or one year after the adoption of the present Directive.