Air pollution: emissions from small park ignition engines, non-road mobile machinery

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PURPOSE : to approximate the laws of the Member States relating to measures against the emission of gaseous and particulate pollutants from internal combustion engines to be installed in non-road mobile machinery. COMMUNITY MEASURE : Directive 2002/88/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Directive 97/68/EC on the approximation of the laws of the Member States relating to measures against the emission of gaseous and particulate pollutants from internal combustion engines to be installed in non-road mobile machinery. CONTENT : the Council adopted this Directive which aims to provide measures to combat the emission of gaseous and particulate pollutants from internal combustion engines to be installed in non-road machinery. The Directive is aimed at extending the scope of Directive 97/68/EC on emissions from compression ignition engines used in non-road mobile machinery, to include small spark ignition (petrol) engines (eg. lawn mowers, chain saws, trimmers, cutters, pumps, generating sets). This amendment to Directive 97/68/EC will contribute to achieving existing ambient air quality targets, especially as ground level ozone is concerned. The main elements of this Directive are as follows: - limit values implemented in two phases depending on the class of the engine : 18 months after the entry into force of the Directive (Phase I) and 2004-2010 (Phase II); - system of compensation and reserving emission credits as well as certain specific measures for the manufacturers of the engines in small amounts and small engine families, in order to achieve world-wide alignment. ENTRY INTO FORCE : 11/02 /2003. TRANSPOSITION : 11/08/2004.