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Country

N - Norway

Language

EN - English

3A. Department Responsible

MINISTRY OF TRADE, INDUSTRY AND FISHERIES,
Trade Policy Department
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NORWAY

3B. Originating Department

Ministry of Local Government and Modernisation
The Housing and Building Department

and

The Norwegian Building Authority

5. Title

Proposal for Regulations on Technical Requirements for Building Works

6. Products and/or Services Concerned

B00 - CONSTRUCTION

Building works

7. Notification under another Community Act

- ☐ Regulation (EC) nº 315/93 on contaminants in food
- ☐ Regulations (EC) nº 852/853/854/2004 relating to the hygiene of foodstuffs
- ☐ Regulation (EC) nº 1924/2006 concerning nutrition and health claims made on foods
- ☐ Regulation (EC) nº 1925/2006 concerning the addition of vitamins and minerals and certain other substances to foods
- ☐ Directive 94/62/EC on packaging and packaging waste
- ☐ Directive 2000/13/EC on the labelling and presentation and advertising of foodstuffs
- ☐ Directive 2006/123/EC on services in the internal market
  - ☐ 98/48/EC information society services only

or specify provisions

- ☐ quantitative or territorial restrictions
- ☐ obligation to take a specific legal form
- ☐ requirements which relate to the shareholding of a company
- ☐ requirements which reserve access to particular providers
- ☐ a ban on having more than one establishment in the territory of the same State
- ☐ requirements fixing a minimum number of employees
- ☐ fixed tariffs with which the provider must comply
- ☐ obligation to supply other specific services

☐ Other/Additional Information

8. Main Content

The consultation paper comprises the draft Technical Building Works Regulations (TEK17) to replace the current regulations on technical requirements for building works of 26/03/2010 (TEK10). The Technical Building Works Regulations govern the properties and qualities that are mandatory for building works to be erected legally in Norway. The Technical Building Works Regulations set out requirements concerning the safety levels that must be met in the finished building works but the regulations do not set out any requirements concerning the products that must be used.

The new Technical Building Works Regulations (TEK17) are predominantly a continuation of the current Technical Building Works Regulations (TEK10). The main purpose of the consultation paper for the new Technical Building Works Regulations is to make the regulations simpler and less ambiguous. The rules concerning requirements for building works and building processes are extensive and complex. Regulations that are easier to understand are also easier to comply with. The Authority proposes changes to the requirement and performance levels that will contribute to lower building costs, primarily for dwellings. The proposed changes could also contribute to reduced time consumption both during design and during the local authority's processing of building applications.

9. Brief Statement of Grounds

The new Technical Building Works Regulations (TEK17) are predominantly a continuation of the current Technical Building Works Regulations (TEK10).
TEK17 will contribute to preparing the ground for the next generation of Technical Building Works Regulations. Long-term development of the regulations will facilitate digital processing, standardisation and digital interaction between the building industry and authorities.

The proposed changes can be assigned to two main categories:
• Removal, easing and simplification of requirements
• Structuring, simplification and clarification

In the work on the new regulations, the Authority has considered which requirements govern the most basic requirements for building quality and has strived to uphold these. In particular, this applies to health, safety and the environment. Changes that reduce the requirements concerning safety have therefore not been proposed. Nor have any substantial changes to requirements that govern user health been proposed. The external environment has not been addressed in the proposals. Some of the recommendations remove or ease requirements of a more comfort-related nature and assume that the market values, demands and supplies good solutions.

10. Reference Documents, Basic Texts

☐ No Basic Text exists

☐ Limit the marketing or use of a chemical substance, preparation or product

☑ References of the Basic Texts

Planning and Building Act of 27 June 2008 no 71

☐ Basic Texts have been forwarded within the framework of a previous notification

Reference of previous notification(s)

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11. Invocation of the Emergency Procedure

☐ Yes

12. Grounds for the Emergency

13. Confidentiality

☐ Yes

14. Fiscal measures

☐ Yes

15. Impact assessment

☑ Yes (in a separate file)

or specify

A brief summary of the consultation paper is enclosed.
The consultation documents are available in Norwegian from:
https://dibk.no/byggereglene/horinger/hoyringar/forslag-ny-byggteknisk-forskrift/

The Draft Regulatory Provisions in English is enclosed.

16. TBT and SPS aspects

TBT aspect

☐ Yes

☐ No - The draft is not a technical regulation nor a conformity assessment

☐ No - The draft is in conformity with an international standard

☑ No - The draft has no significant impact on international trade

SPS aspect

☐ Yes

☐ No - The draft is not a sanitary or phytosanitary measure

☐ No – Content is the same as that of an international standard, directive or recommendation

☑ No - The draft has no significant impact on international trade