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Does not open the delays - N'ouvre pas de délai - Kein Fristbeginn - Не се предвижда период на прекъсване - Nezahajuje prodlení - Fristerne indledes ikke - Καμμία έναρξη προθεσμίας - No abre el plazo - Viivituste perioodi ei avata - Määräaika ei ala tästä - Ne otvara razdoblje kašnjenja - Nem nyitja meg a késések - Non fa decorrere la mora - Atidėjimai nepradedami - Atlikšanas laikposms nesākas - Ma jiftaħ il-perijodi ta' dewmien - Geen termijnbegin - Nie otwiera opóźnień - Não inicia o prazo - Nu deschide perioadele de stagnare - Nezačína oneskorenia - Ne uvaja zamud - Inleder ingen frist - Ní osclaíonn sé na moilleanna

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1. MSG 001 IND 2026 0220 RO EN 05-05-2026 RO NOTIF

2. Romania

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4. 2026/0220/RO - X00M - GOODS AND MISCELLANEOUS PRODUCTS

5. Draft Emergency Ordinance on the introduction in Romania of used, repaired, or reconditioned products, as well as the withdrawal from the market of products identified as hazardous

6. Used, repaired or refurbished products

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8. The draft proposes a series of significant changes regarding the import of textile products, footwear, toys, furniture, low-voltage electrical equipment, vehicles, and tires into Romania, particularly those that are secondhand, reconditioned, or withdrawn from the market due to safety concerns. The main purpose of these measures is to protect public health and improve the safety of products available on the market. The draft legislative act lays down additional requirements for the economic operators, so that it is necessary, prior to placing on the market, marketing, and free distribution, even as a donation of products and/or categories of products withdrawn from the market as hazardous, to ensure that they are subjected to cleaning, disinfection, and pest control measures to ensure their safe marketing.

All of the products mentioned shall be marketed only if they comply with safety standards and are accompanied by the appropriate documentation. Products considered hazardous shall be withdrawn from the market and treated as waste, in accordance with environmental legislation.

An important aspect of the legislative act is the ban of placing on the market used vehicles that have been declared a total loss, decommissioned, or unregistered in their country of origin, in order to prevent risks to consumer safety.

The draft also introduces a significant digital component through the development of the SIATD RO-SH platform, an integrated system designed to manage and track the relevant products. This platform will enable more effective tracking of the product supply chain and will help increase market transparency.

9. The adoption of this legislation is driven by the accelerating growth in the flow of second-hand goods entering the Romanian market, a significant part of which does not comply with quality and safety standards, being in fact waste disguised as reusable products. In the absence of strict regulations and effective control mechanisms, there is a risk that these products will be sold or distributed to the public, causing immediate negative effects on public health. Unsanitized or contaminated products can lead to health problems, including the transmission of pathogens or exposure to hazardous substances.

Furthermore, this phenomenon has a direct impact on the environment, as non-compliant products are quickly discarded and become waste (which must be managed in accordance with environmental legislation, such as Emergency Ordinance No. 92/2021 on waste management).

This situation generates additional costs for authorities and puts pressure on waste management systems. At the same time, the lack of traceability and clear requirements for economic operators facilitates commercial fraud and the misdeclaration of goods, affecting both fair competition and the ability of authorities, such as the National Consumer Protection Authority and the National Environmental Guard, to intervene effectively. In this context, the adoption of the proposed measures is necessary to: prevent the placing on the market of hazardous products; reduce the risk of second-hand products becoming waste; protect public health and the environment; ensure traceability and hold economic operators accountable. Legislative action is needed to prevent Romania from becoming a market for non-compliant secondhand goods, which quickly turn into waste and pose major risks to health and the environment.

9a. The measure is adequate in order to protect public health, and it is necessary to expand the legislative framework to regulate the placing on the market and marketing of non-food consumer products intended for the general public, and to impose additional obligations on economic operators so that, prior to the placing on the market, marketing, and free distribution—including as a donation—of products and/or categories of products withdrawn from the market as hazardous, it is ensured that they comply with safety requirements.

9b. This measure is needed to strengthen the legislative framework required for institutional cooperation between the National Consumer Protection Authority, in collaboration with the Ministry of Environment, Water, and Forests through the National Environmental Guard, the Romanian Vehicle Registry, the Romanian Customs Authority, as well as with the Ministry of Internal Affairs through the General Inspectorate for Emergency Situations, the Romanian Police, and the Romanian Border Police, through their subordinate inspection personnel, within the limits of the powers granted by the specific laws governing each of these institutions.

All requirements imposed on economic operators regarding the issuance of sworn statements are intended to enable the application of the penalties established by the Criminal Code for making false statements—Article 326 of the Criminal Code.

9C The duties established by this draft are not excessive in relation to the objective pursued, namely the protection of public health and the environment, as well as the prevention of fraud.

The draft regulates the situation regarding non-EU imports and intra-EU transfers of goods that, according to the transport documents, are declared as second-hand goods, but for which discrepancies are found at border crossing points or customs offices between the actual condition of the goods and the information declared in the documents.

Economic operators are required to register on the SIATD RO-SH platform. This platform is an integrated system for the administration and traceability of the products covered by this project. The platform will be available to the ANPC and operators free of charge.

Holders of second-hand products and/or categories of second-hand products, as well as products withdrawn from the market, are required to submit all documents regarding their origin, customs status, and any other additional information requested by the National Consumer Protection Authority, as applicable.

10. References to basic texts: No basic text available

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13. No

14. No

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TBT aspects:

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SPS aspects: No

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