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Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade

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### NOTIFICATION

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.6

<p><b>1. Notifying Member:</b> <u>EUROPEAN UNION</u> <b>If applicable, name of local government involved (Articles 3.2 and 7.2):</b></p>
<p><b>2. Agency responsible:</b> European Commission EU-TBT Enquiry Point, Fax: +(32) 2 299 80 43, E-mail: <a href="mailto:grow-eu-tbt@ec.europa.eu">grow-eu-tbt@ec.europa.eu</a> Website: <a href="https://technical-barriers-trade.ec.europa.eu/en/home">https://technical-barriers-trade.ec.europa.eu/en/home</a></p>
<p><b>3. Notified under Article 2.9.2 [X], 2.10.1 [ ], 5.6.2 [ ], 5.7.1 [ ], 3.2 [ ], 7.2 [ ], Other:</b></p>
<p><b>4. Products covered (HS codes or national tariff lines. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable):</b> Appliances containing portable batteries</p>
<p><b>5. Details of notified document(s) (title, number of pages and languages, means of access):</b> Draft Commission delegated regulation supplementing Regulation (EU) 2023/1542 of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards derogations for the removability and replaceability of portable batteries; (5 page(s), in English) <b>Link to notified document(s) and/or contact details for agency or authority which can provide copies upon request:</b> <a href="https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2026/TBT/EEC/26_02497_00_e.pdf">https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2026/TBT/EEC/26_02497_00_e.pdf</a> European Commission EU-TBT Enquiry Point Fax: + (32) 2 299 80 43 E-mail: <a href="mailto:grow-eu-tbt@ec.europa.eu">grow-eu-tbt@ec.europa.eu</a> The text is available on the Website: <a href="https://technical-barriers-trade.ec.europa.eu/en/home">https://technical-barriers-trade.ec.europa.eu/en/home</a></p>
<p><b>6. Description of content:</b> This draft Commission Delegated regulation is adding new product categories to the existing list in Article 11(2) of the Batteries Regulation for which portable batteries only need to be made removable and replaceable by independent operators.</p>
<p><b>7. Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable:</b> Prevention of premature obsolescence of products powered by portable batteries, facilitation of the removal and separate disposal of waste batteries at end-of life, and safety of end-users and products; Protection of human health or safety; Protection of the environment</p>

**8. Relevant documents:**

A technical evaluation report is available at :  
[https://environment.ec.europa.eu/document/21b9a660-a240-4f97-a755-847d6f74df0e\\_en](https://environment.ec.europa.eu/document/21b9a660-a240-4f97-a755-847d6f74df0e_en)

**9. Proposed date of adoption:** July 2026

**Proposed date of entry into force:** 20 days from publication in the Official Journal of the EU (about three months after adoption approximately)

**10. Provision of comments**

**Final date for comments:** 11 July 2026

**60 days from notification**

**Contact details of agency or authority designated to handle comments regarding the notification:**

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