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REGULATIONS
General rules

Who is required to use the TRIMAN logo & labels?
As part of the French “Anti-waste for a circular economy law” (AGEC), the extended producer responsibility (EPR) scheme was extended to building and construction products (B&C) on 1 January 2022.

All manufacturers, distributors and importers of building and construction products for use in the building sector are required to display waste sorting information, also known as TRIMAN, on their products in order to inform consumers, whether private individuals or professionals, on how to correctly dispose of the product.

Where should it be displayed?
This label consists of the TRIMAN logo and information on how to sort or dispose of any waste from the product, and must be placed as close as possible to the product, either:
• on the product itself;
• on the product packaging;
• or in the documentation supplied with the product.

Such information may also be provided on the website, but this does not replace any of the three elements listed above. If different waste sorting procedures apply to different elements of the product, these procedures should be detailed for each element.

Deadlines for introducing the TRIMAN logo
The obligation to display the TRIMAN logo came into force when the labelling system was validated by the public authorities on 28 September 2023. This means that manufacturers and producers of building and construction materials now have 12 months to comply with the waste sorting information requirements. After this time, they will no longer be able to produce such products without displaying the TRIMAN logo. However, products manufactured or imported before the TRIMAN validation date may continue to be marketed for up to 18 months after the validation date.
REGULATIONS
A reminder of the decrees and exceptions

Décret n° 2014-1577 du 23 décembre 2014 on the common labelling of recyclable products subject to waste sorting requirements

Loi n° 2020-105 du 10 février 2020 on waste prevention and circular economy: Article 17

Décret n° 2021-835 du 29 juin 2021 on informing consumers about the rules for sorting waste from products subject to the principle of extended producer responsibility (EPR)

EXCEPTIONS

However, there are exceptions to the rules on displaying the TRIMAN logo and waste sorting information:

• if the surface area of the largest side of a product or its packaging is between 10 and 20 cm²: the waste sorting info may be provided in electronic format (e.g. QR code), but the TRIMAN logo must be displayed on the product;

• if the surface area of the largest side of a product or its packaging is less than 10 cm²: the TRIMAN logo/label and waste sorting information may be provided in electronic format (e.g. QR code).

For cylindrical or spherical products or packaging, the 10 and 20 cm² surface areas are increased to 20 and 40 cm².
THE WASTE SORTING LOGO

The TRIMAN logo

A “Grenelle Environment Round-table” commitment, the TRIMAN logo came into force on 1st January 2015, following the publication of the Decree of 23 December 2014 introducing a common label and logo for all products governed by a waste sorting directive.

The TRIMAN logo explained

The TRIMAN logo is made up of three strictly inseparable graphic elements.

- A human silhouette symbolising the act of sorting waste and reminding us of the central role of consumers in this process.
- A circular arrow around the silhouette to symbolise recycling.
- Three arrows symbolising waste sorting to ensure waste is processed correctly.
DISPLAYING WASTE SORTING INFO

Waste sorting elements

A human silhouette symbolising the act of sorting waste and reminding us of the central role of consumers in this process.

Guidelines
Consumers must be presented with 3 solutions to give used products a second life, depending on the product category.

Message
The message should point consumers in the right direction when it comes to disposing of products: sorting, which is essential, reusing and recycling.

Que faire de mes déchets?
This ADEME website provides information on waste sorting solutions and disposal options for each type of waste. This information must be provided.

Que faire de mes déchets?
Dedicated to private individuals, this search engine provided by the ADEME lists all the waste sorting solutions available and the location of collection points for each type of waste. Consumers can quickly and easily find all the solutions they need to dispose of their products and materials at the end of their life, depending on where they live.
REGULATIONS
The product categories concerned

Construction products and materials for the building sector (B&C P) are divided into 2 categories: inert and non-inert.

**Category 1**

Inert materials are products and materials consisting mainly of minerals:
- Concrete and mortar or their constituents (aggregates, sand, cement, additives, etc.);
- Lime;
- Limestone, granite, sandstone and volcanic rock;
- Slate;
- Bituminous mixtures or constituents of bituminous mixtures, excluding bituminous membranes; Aggregates;
- Ceramics;
- Construction products and materials of mineral origin not listed in another group in this category.

**Category 2**

Non-inert products and materials are divided into 9 groups:
- Metals;
- Wood;
- Mortars, renders, paints, varnishes & resins (decorative products);
- Windows, doors, glazing and associated products;
- Gypsum (plaster) and similar products;
- Plastics;
- Bitumen;
- Mineral wools;
- Animal or plant-based products or other materials not listed in another group in this category.

Only products that can be purchased by private individuals are subject to this labelling requirement. Products sold directly to professionals, or sold exclusively through distribution channels for 100% professional customers, are not subject to this requirement.
REGULATIONS
A label for each product category

Depending on the category of products and materials placed on the market, one of the two TRIMAN labels should be used.

Category 1

Inert materials are products and materials consisting mainly of minerals:

- Concrete and mortar or their constituents (aggregates, sand, cement, additives, etc.);
- Lime;
- Limestone, granite, sandstone and volcanic rock;
- Terracotta or earthenware;
- Slate;
- Bituminous mixtures or constituents of bituminous mixtures, excluding bituminous membranes; Aggregates;
- Aggregates;
- Ceramics;
- Construction products and materials of mineral origin not listed in another group in this category.

Category 2

Non-inert products and materials are divided into 9 groups:

- Metals;
- Wood;
- Mortars, renders, paints, varnishes & resins (decorative products);
- Windows, doors, glazing and associated products;
- Gypsum (plaster) and similar products;
- Plastics;
- Bitumen;
- Mineral wools;
- Animal or plant-based products or other materials not listed in another group in this category.

The association between the TRIMAN instructions and the material categories is a recommendation. Producers or manufacturers of products or materials in one category may include instructions relating to the other category if this is considered appropriate, in particular to encourage the re-use of the products or materials.
RULES OF USE

The protected area and prohibitions

The protected area

This is defined in relation to the size of the "FR" bubble. It represents a space around the TRIMAN logo and the information label in which no graphic element (text, images, etc.) may appear.

You must not change the proportions of the label and logo.

You must not change the colour of the TRIMAN logo.
It must remain in the same colour as the info label.

You must not use the info label without the TRIMAN logo.

You must not change the position of the TRIMAN logo.

You must not change the size of the TRIMAN logo.
RULES OF USE
Colours and fonts

The texts are not intended to be modified: the font has been formatted for optimum use of the graphic elements.

The default files are available in the kit supplied by OCA Bâtiment. These include horizontal and vertical versions in both colours in Illustrator, PDF and PNG formats.
RULES OF USE
Dimensions for versions with 3 pictograms

The dimensions given in this guide are recommendations only. You can therefore change the size of the label. However, please note that the law requires that the TRIMAN logo and label remain sufficiently visible to inform customers.

The ADEME recommends minimum sizes for the use of the TRIMAN logo in the original user charter for waste sorting labels:
- 10 mm for the standard version,
- 6 mm for the compact version.

STANDARD VERSION
Priority should be given to the standard horizontal or standard vertical versions.

COMPACT VERSION
The compact horizontal and compact vertical versions should only be used where space is limited. These versions cannot be reduced in size.

In case of enlargement, the elements that make up the label (TRIMAN + pictogram label + web address) are inseparable and must be enlarged proportionally.
EXAMPLES OF USE
Examples of use

The waste sorting label, consisting of the TRIMAN logo and information on how to sort the waste, must be placed as close as possible to the product:

- on the product itself;
- on the product packaging;
- or in the documentation supplied with the product.

Here are some examples that comply with the regulations.

**PRODUCT**

The TRIMAN logo & label can be applied directly to the product, e.g. using a sticker.

**PRODUCT PACKAGING**

The black monochrome version is recommended for this type of packaging.

**USER**

For assembly instructions, user guides, manuals, etc., we recommend using the black monochrome version due to the printing limitations of this type of media.
EXAMPLES OF USE

Examples of use

The information may be included on invoices, quotations, catalogues and websites, but does not replace the requirement to include it on the product or its packaging, or on other documentation supplied with the product, where this is possible.

**QUOTATION**
For quotations, order forms and invoices, we recommend using the monochrome version due to the printing limitations of this type of media.

**CATALOGUE**
For catalogues, we recommend the use of the black monochrome version showing the required information at the bottom of the page.

**WEBSITE**
We recommend using the black monochrome version on the manufacturer’s, distributor’s or importer’s website (e.g. on the product information sheet).
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