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## VIETNAM REGULATION ON AZO DYES AND FORMALDEHYDE IN TEXTILE PRODUCTS

Circular 32/2009/TT-BCT<sup>1</sup> for textile products from the Vietnamese Government was signed on November 05, 2009 and was effective on December 20, 2009. This regulation limits the content of formaldehyde and aromatic amines found in textile products that are manufactured, import and traded in the Vietnam market. Exported products are not subjected to this Circular.

The following items are exempted from the regulation:

- The fabric used in the construction industry,
- The cloth lining used in the automobile and tire industry and on motorcycles,
- Fire resistant clothing for special requirements,
- Industrial canvas products for other special purposes,
- Fabrics imported for processing export products.



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## Test Method and Requirement

Test Item	Test Method	Requirement
Formaldehyde	TCVN 7421-1:2004 (ISO 14184-1:1998)	Textile products for children under 36 months old: $\leq 30$ mg/kg
		Textile products in direct contact with skin: $\leq 75$ mg/kg
		Textile products without direct contact with skin: $\leq 300$ mg/kg
Azo Dyes	TCVN 7619-1:2007 (EN 14362-1:2003 / LFGB 82.02-2 ) TCVN 7619-2:2007 (EN 14362-2:2003 / LFGB B 82.02-4)	$\leq 30$ mg/kg (22 items) <sup>2</sup>

## Remark:

- Textile products for children refer to all kinds of clothing, diapers, hats, towels, socks, gloves etc. and fabric used to manufacture these products.
- Textile products in direct contact with the skin refer to clothing underwear, hats, gloves, socks, handkerchiefs, towels, head scarves, shirts, skirts, pants of all kinds, sheets etc. and fabric used to manufacture these products.
- Textile products without direct contact with the skin refers to long coats, sweaters, curtains, cushion covers, lining used for furniture textiles (pillow, blanket ...), etc. and fabric used to manufacture these products.

Sources of information are only available in Vietnamese. However SGS will follow up and inform interested parties about developments on this regulation as a complementary service. Throughout our global network of laboratories, we are able to provide a range of services, including analytical testing and consultancy for chemical parameters for a comprehensive range of textiles and consumer products for worldwide markets. Please do not hesitate to contact us for further information.

Reference: <sup>1</sup> [Thông tin văn bản số: 32/2009/TT-BCT](#)

<sup>2</sup> [TT32-2009-BCT](#)



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