

Korea Plans to Revise Its Toy Safety Requirements

In notification G/TBT/N/KOR/1384, dated 2 October 2026, the Korean Agency for Technology and Standards (KATS) notified the World Trade Organization (WTO) about its intentions to revise **the Korean Toy Safety Requirements**, aiming to align with the latest ISO 8124, EN 71, ASTM F963, and other relevant standards, pursuant to **Annex 6 of the Safety Standards for Safety-Confirmation Children's Products**.



Draft Safety Criteria for Toys

The **Draft Requirements** consist of the following parts, with the changes in each part highlighted in red:

Reference	About
26_05178_00_x	General
26_05178_01_x	Safety Verification Standards
26_05178_02_x	Part 1: General – Types of Toys, Test Methods, and Labeling
26_05178_03_x	Part 2: Mechanical and Physical Properties
26_05178_04_x	Part 3: Flammability
26_05178_05_x	Part 4: Hazardous chemical materials
26_05178_06_x	Part 5: Swings, slides and similar activity toys for indoor and outdoor family domestic use
26_05178_07_x	Part 6: Experimental sets for chemistry and related activities and other chemical toys
26_05178_08_x	Part 7: Finger paints
26_05178_09_x	Part 8: Organic chemical compounds – Requirements
26_05178_10_x	Part 9: Organic chemical compounds – Sample preparation and extraction
26_05178_11_x	Part 10: Organic chemical compounds – Methods of analysis
26_05178_12_x	Part 11: Microbiological safety of toys containing liquids
26_05178_13_x	Part 12: N-nitrosamines and N-nitrosatable substances
26_05178_14_x †	Part 13: Toys designed for oral use

† New Standard

Relevant Dates

Final date for comments: **1 December 2026**

Proposed date of adoption: **November 2027 or later**

Proposed date of entry into force: **November 2028 or later**

Reference

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