

Pursuant to Article 6 paragraph of the Law on Technical Requirements for Products and Conformity Assessment (Official Gazette of Montenegro 53/11), the Ministry of Economy adopted the following

RULEBOOK

ON LABELLING OF FOOTWEAR*

Subject

Article 1

This Rulebook shall lay down labelling of the materials used in the main parts of footwear intended for sale to the consumers.

Application

Article 2

This Rulebook shall apply to sandals with uppers consisting of adjustable laces or ribbons and thigh boots (the uppers covering the leg and thigh), as follows:

- 1) flat shoes or high-heeled shoes for wearing indoors and outdoors;
- 2) ankle-boots, half-boots, knee-boots and thigh boots;
- 3) different types of sandals, »espadrile« (shoes with the uppers made of canvas and with soles of plaited material of vegetable), bathing sandals, tennis shoes, running shoes, other sports shoes, and other casual footwear;
- 4) special sports footwear intended for sports activities which has, or to which it is possible to attach, spikes, studs, stops, clips, bars or other alike attachments, shoes for skating, skiing and ski footwear, wrestling footwear and boxing footwear, cycling footwear, as well as footwear with attached ice skates or roller skates;
- 5) ballet slippers;
- 6) footwear made up of one piece, especially footwear made up by shaping of rubber or plastic, with exclusion of products made up of light material (paper, plastic thin foil, etc. without tanke folije, itd. without applied soles) intended for a single use;
- 7) shoes which are worn over other footwear and which may not have heels;
- 8) footwear with applied soles, intended for a single-use only;
- 9) orthopaedic footwear.

Footwear, in terms of this Rulebook, shall designate all articles with applied soles intended to protect or cover the foot, including parts of footwear (Annex I), which are separately placed on the market.

This Rulebook shall also apply to the footwear, gaiters and the like, as well as to parts of such articles listed in the Customs Tariffs, Chapter 64.

Exceptions

Article 3

This Rulebook shall not apply to:

- 1) second-hand and worn footwear;
- 2) protective footwear covered by regulations on protective and rescue equipment;
- 3) footwear covered by regulations on dangerous substances;
- 4) footwear used as a toy.

Labelling of main parts of footwear

Article 4

Labelling of main parts shall relate to:

- 1) the upper;
- 2) the lining and sock;
- 3) the outersole.

Labelling of materials and parts of footwear as provided for in Article 6 paragraph 1 of this Rulebook shall be done by means of pictograms or written labels set out in Annex I of this Rulebook.

Regarding the upper, classification of the material shall be done in accordance with Article 6 paragraph 1 of this Rulebook and Annex I of this Rulebook not taking into consideration accessories or reinforcements, such as ankle patches, edging, ornamentation, buckles, tabs, eyelet stays or similar features.

The classification for the outersole shall be determined on the basis of the volume of the material contained in it, in accordance with Article 6 of this Rulebook.

Obligations of suppliers

Article 5

The footwear labelled in accordance with this Rulebook shall be made available on the market by the supplier.

The manufacturer, his representative and/or importer, shall be responsible for labelling of the footwear and for accuracy of the provided information as laid down in this Rulebook.

The distributor shall check whether the footwear which he makes available on the market is labelled in accordance with this Rulebook.

In case of the failure to fulfil labelling requirements in accordance with special regulations, making available on the market of the footwear labelled in accordance with provisions of this Rulebook cannot be forbidden or restricted.

Rules for affixing of labels

Article 6

Pictograms or written labels for the materials provided for in Annex I of this Rulebook shall be affixed when those materials constitute:

- 1) minimum 80 % of the surface of the upper;
- 2) minimum 80 % of the lining and sock; and
- 3) minimum 80 % of the volume of the outersole.

If none of those materials, which is used for the footwear, accounts for minimum 80 % of the surface or the volume, information shall be indicated for the two main materials used in the composition of the footwear.

Method of labelling

Article 7

The information referred to in Article 6 paragraph 1 of this Rulebook must be written in Montenegrin language and must be affixed on at least one article of footwear in each pair.

The labels shall be affixed in the form of stickers, by printing or as attached labels.

The labels must be visible, securely attached and easily accessible, dimensions of the pictograms must be large enough and information provided therein clear and legible.

The labels must not, by their visual identity, be misleading to consumers.

All labels, except those printed, must be easily removable.

On a separately attached label also other information can be provided in Montenegrin language, unless they mislead the consumers.

In premises where the footwear is sold, a notice must be displayed explaining the meaning of pictograms for material and parts of the footwear.

Entering into force

Article 8

This Rulebook shall enter into force on the eighth day following that of its publication in the Official Gazette of Montenegro and shall be applied as from 1 July 2015




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Minister,
Vladimir Kavacic, *hand-signature*

* This Rulebook transposes the Directive 94/11/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 March 1994 on labelling of the materials used in the main components of footwear.


PICTOGRAMS AND WRITTEN LABELS OF THE MAIN PARTS OF FOOTWEAR


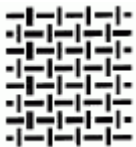
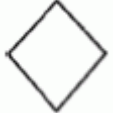
1. Parts of footwear and corresponding pictograms or written labels thereof

Main parts of footwear	Pictograms	Written labels	
<p>Upper</p> <p>The upper is the outer face of the structural element which is attached to the outsole.</p>		ME	Upper
<p>Lining and sock</p> <p>The lining and sock constitute the inside of the footwear.</p>		ME	Lining and sock
<p>Outer sole</p> <p>The outer sole is the bottom part of the footwear which is subjected to abrasive wear and attached to the upper.</p>		ME	Outer sole

2. Types and pictograms of the materials

The pictograms, concerning the materials, shall appear on the label beside the pictograms relating to the 3 parts of the footwear as specified in Article 6 and point 1 of this Annex.

Types of the material	Pictograms	Written labels
<p>Tanned leather</p> <p>A general term for hide or skin with its original fibrous structure more or less intact, tanned to be rot-proof. The hair or wool may or may not have been removed. Leather is also made from a hide or skin which has been split into layers or segmented either before or after tanning. However, if the tanned hide or skin is</p>		ME Leather

<p>disintegrated mechanically and/or chemically into fibrous particles, small pieces or powders and then, with or without the combination of a binding agent, is made into sheets or other forms, such sheets or forms are not leather. If the leather has a surface coating, however applied, or a glued-on finish, such surface layers must not be thicker than 0,15 mm. All types of leather are treated in this way.</p>		
<p>Coated leather Leather where the surface coating applied to the leather does not exceed one third of the total thickness of the product but is in excess of 0,15 mm.</p>		<p>ME Coated leather</p>
<p>Woven or non-woven textile materials made from natural or synthetic fibres</p>		<p>ME Textile</p>
<p>All other materials</p>		<p>ME Other materials</p>