

Toys and Children's Products Safety Ordinance (Amendment of Schedules 1 and 2) Notice 2022 gazetted

The Government today (February 18) published in the Gazette the Toys and Children's Products Safety Ordinance (Amendment of Schedules 1 and 2) Notice 2022. The Notice seeks to update the safety standards for toys and six classes of children's products listed in Schedule 2 (Schedule 2 products) under the Toys and Children's Products Safety Ordinance (Cap. 424).

The six classes of Schedule 2 products are "baby walking frames", "bottle teats", "bunk beds for domestic use", "children's high chairs and multi-purpose high chairs for domestic use", "children's paints" and "children's safety harnesses". The Notice will take effect on September 1, 2022.

The Ordinance stipulates that a person must not manufacture, import or supply a toy or Schedule 2 product unless it complies with all the applicable requirements contained in any one set of the safety standards specified in Schedule 1 or at least one set of the safety standards specified in Schedule 2 to the Ordinance. These standards are international standards or standards adopted by major economies. The Government keeps in view updates or amendments to the safety standards made by the standards institutions concerned and, as a regular exercise, applies up-to-date operative versions to products supplied in Hong Kong. The last update commenced operation in October 2021.