

Due to the environmental and ecological benefits of including recycled material the profiles may contain more than 0.1% of lead stabilizers. Lead stabilizers were used in the production of virgin PVC material for window profiles in the past but have been entirely replaced since 2003. When utilizing recycle from windows produced prior to 2003, traces of lead are present. These lead compounds are encapsulated in the polymer matrix and under normal conditions are not released during the service life of the profile.

Profiles can be completely produced in recycled PVC for exterior applications and in concealed spaces or voids in buildings and civil engineering works, provided they are inaccessible.

In case of coextruded profiles, the recycled PVC is used in a middle layer and entirely covered with a layer of PVC or other materials that have a lead concentration lower than 0,1% by weight.

Following **COMMISSION REGULATION (EU) 2023/923 of 3 May 2023 amending Annex XVII to Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006 of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards lead and its compounds in PVC**, ANNEX In entry 63, column 2, of Annex XVII to Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006.

By way of derogation, the restriction doesn't apply for PVC profiles containing recovered rigid PVC until 28 May 2023, if the concentration of lead is lower than 1,5 % by weight of the recovered rigid PVC.

Suppliers of PVC articles containing recovered rigid PVC with a concentration of lead equal to or greater than 0,1 % by weight of the PVC material shall ensure, before placing those articles on the market, that they are visibly, legibly and indelibly marked with the statement: "Contains  $\geq$  0,1 % lead". Where the marking cannot be provided on the article due to the nature of the article, it shall be on the packaging of the article.

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| Contains $\geq$ 0,1 % lead                | $\geq$ 0,1 % luaidhe istigh     |
| Contient $\geq$ 0,1 % de plomb.           | Contiene $\geq$ 0,1 % di piombo |
| Enthält $\geq$ 0,1 % Blei                 | Satur $\geq$ 0,1 % svina        |
| Съдържа най-малко 0,1 % олово.            | Sudėtyje yra $\geq$ 0,1 % švino |
| Sadrži $\geq$ 0,1 % olova                 | Fih $\geq$ 0,1 % čomb           |
| Obsahuje $\geq$ 0,1 % olova               | Zawiera $\geq$ 0,1 % ołowiu     |
| Indeholder $\geq$ 0,1 % bly               | Contém $\geq$ 0,1 % de chumbo.  |
| Bevat $\geq$ 0,1 gewichtsprocent aan lood | Coține $\geq$ 0,1 % plumb       |
| Sisaldab $\geq$ 0,1 % pliid               | Obsahuje $\geq$ 0,1 % olova     |
| Sisältää $\geq$ 0,1 % lyijyä              | vsebuje $\geq$ 0,1 % svinca     |
| Περιέχει $\geq$ 0,1 % μόλυβδο             | Contiene $\geq$ 0,1 % de plomo  |
| $\geq$ 0,1 % ólmot tartalmaz              | Innehåller $\geq$ 0,1 % bly     |