

General product safety

General Product Safety Regulations 2005 apply to new and second-hand consumer products, except new products that are covered by specific European safety legislation for example **Toy (Safety) Regulations 2011**. A safe product is defined as:

“a product which, under normal or reasonably foreseeable conditions of use including duration and, where applicable, putting into service, installation and maintenance requirements, does not present any risk or only the minimum risks compatible with the product’s use, considered to be acceptable and consistent with a high level of protection for the safety and health of persons.”

Product:

Examined by:

Serial number:

Date:

Record any checks you have done – use one sheet per product (photocopy as necessary).

- 1 Is the product structurally sound? Yes No
- 2 Is the product free from any defects (cracks, splits, breaks) that will affect its safety? Yes No
- 3 Is the product free from sharp edges, points for example which may present a risk? (other than those having a function, for example a knife or tool) Yes No
- 4 Is the product free from any trapping hazard for fingers? Yes No
- 5 Are you sure any safety features meant to be on the product are still fitted and working properly. (for example guards) Yes No
- 6 Overall, are you satisfied that the product does not present any risk to any person in its normal/foreseeable use? Yes No
- 7 If the product may be used by children or near children, are you sure that it does not present any risks to them?
And, are special instructions needed for children? Yes No
- 8 If the product is designed to be secured to a wall for example. are the attachments safe and secure? Yes No
- 9 Does the product need instructions for assembly, maintenance and safe use? If so, are they still with the item. Yes No
Yes No
- 10 Is the packaging of the product safe? For example a thin plastic bag could cause a suffocation hazard. Yes No

Comments on product: