

Public consultation on Methylisothiazolinone (MI) in the framework of Regulation (EC) No. 1223/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council on cosmetic products - rinse-off cosmetic products

Proposed modifications to Annex V of the Cosmetics Regulation

On the basis of the information provided above, the Commission proposes to proceed with:

- (1) **Restricting the use of MI to 15ppm in rinse-off products**, with the obligation of a "contains methylisothiazolinone" labelling.
 - (2) The use of MI as a preservative in **hair leave-on cosmetic products is banned.**
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In practice, the Commission proposes to amend entry 57 of Annex V to Regulation (EC) No. 1223/2009 as follows:

Reference number	Substance Identification				Conditions			Wording of conditions of use and warnings
	Chemical name/INN	Name of Common Ingredients Glossary	CAS number	EC number	Product type, Body parts	Maximum concentration in ready for use preparation	Other	
a	b	C	D	e	f	g	h	i
'57	2-Methyl-2H-isothiazol-3-one	Methylisothiazolinone ¹	2682-20-4	220-239-6	Rinse-off products	0,0015 %'		Contains methylisothiazolinone

Implementation deadline from the date of publication:

- Six months for placing compliant products on the market and nine months for withdrawing non-compliant products from the market.

¹ Methylisothiazolinone is also regulated in entry 39 in a mixture with methylchlorisothiazolinone. The two entries are mutually exclusive: the use of the mixture of Methylchlorisothiazolinone (and) Methylisothiazolinone is incompatible with the use of Methylisothiazolinone alone in the same product.
