



General Product Safety Regulation (GPSR) Services

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The new General Product Safety Regulation (Regulation (EU) 2023/988 - GPSR) has been updated to increase the protection of EU consumers against dangerous non-food products sold both offline and online.

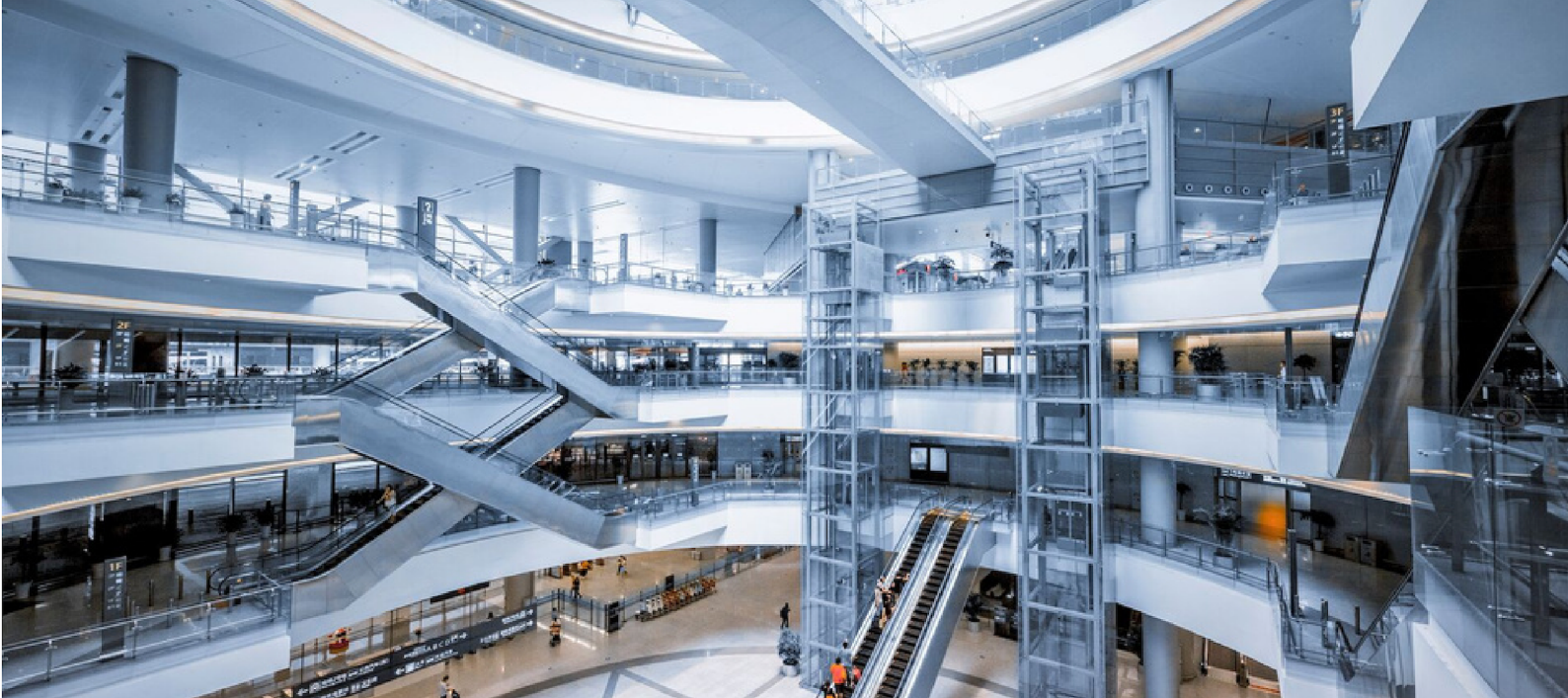
The GPSR's new framework entered into force on 12 June 2023 and will be applicable to businesses and national market surveillance authorities from 13 December 2024.

The GPSR provides for new, more future-proof product safety rules reflecting the new reality of EU consumers, by among others tackling the safety of online sales, direct imports or new technology products.



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Compliance - How do you comply to the new GPSR Regulation?

Like the General Product Safety Directive (2001/95/EC) which preceded the Regulation (EU)2023/988, only safe products can be placed on the market. Such products should be safe in reasonable foreseeable use as well as in intended use. The Regulation has introduced some additional requirements such as Article 9.2 which states:

Before placing products on the market, manufacturers now need to carry out an internal risk analysis on their product and create a technical document that contains at least a general description of the product and its essential safety characteristics.

Where appropriate in relation to the risk the technical documentation shall also contain, as applicable:

(a) an analysis of the possible risks related to the product and the solutions adopted to eliminate or mitigate such risks, including the outcome of any reports related to tests conducted by the manufacturer or by another party on their behalf;

Article 9.2 does not apply to products which are subject to specific requirements imposed by Union harmonisation legislation defined as Union legislation listed in Annex I to Regulation (EU) 2019/1020 and any other Union legislation harmonising the conditions for the marketing of products to which that Regulation applies.

WHY SGS

For products which fall into the scope of Article 9.2, SGS can offer a product safety assessment service which will allow the producer to meet the requirements of the article.

For products which fall out of the scope of Article 9.2, SGS can offer a product risk assessment service which can be used to meet the "reasonable foreseeable use" requirement for product safety. This is particularly important for products for which there is no harmonised standard, or relevant national standard.

At SGS we have been carrying out risk assessments on consumer products since 2006 and have significant expertise in this field.

All products across the full spectrum of Consumer Goods ranging from simple to complex can be covered by our team of technical experts who offer a comprehensive service and technical support, covering everything from recommended physical and chemical testing to reviews of labelling and warnings, to ensure a safe transition to market.

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Our team of technical experts ensure your products are evaluated diligently and delivered in accordance with your manufacturing demands to safeguard smooth delivery to market.