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Newsletter:

The Russian Government adopted mandatory labeling of the certain types of goods

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Dear Ladies and Gentlemen!

The Russian authorities launched the new labeling project stipulating mandatory rules for the producers of certain types of goods.

New regulations are directed against counterfeiting imports and goods production as well as designed to increase the public control over the trade flow.

The Russian Government adopted the Regulation dated 28 April 2018 No. 791-p (hereinafter– the "Regulation No. 791-p") stipulating the principles and a functional model of the goods labeling system by identification means (hereinafter – the "Model") and the Regulation dated 28 April 2018 No. 792-p (hereinafter– the "Regulation No. 792-p") stipulating a list of goods which are subject to the mandatory labeling (hereinafter– the "List").

As far as the List includes various types of goods, and can be expanded in future, we would like to inform you about the key provisions of the Regulation No. 791-p and the Regulation No. 792-p that would be useful for producers and importers of the goods.

1 List of the goods subject to the mandatory labeling

The List includes tobacco production, footwear, new pneumatic rubber tires, leather or composition leather articles of apparel and clothing accessories, blouses, outer clothing (including but not limited to coats, capes, jackets, anoraks), bed, table, toilet and kitchen linen, perfumes and toilet waters, photographic (other than cinematographic) cameras, photographic flashlight apparatus and flashbulbs (the List also covers the Russian Classification of Products by Activity 2 and the Eurasian Economic Union's Combined Nomenclature of Foreign Economic Activity codes with regard to the respective goods).

According to the Regulation No. 792-p, the labeling of tobacco production shall come into force before March 01, 2019, footwear – before July 01, 2019, other goods – before December 01, 2019.

2 Functional model of the goods labeling system

The Regulation No. 791-p provides for registration of the goods in the labeling information system (hereinafter– the "**Information System**") of each stage of the traffic of goods from a production or import into the Russian Federation to payment for goods using a cash registering equipment.

Every unit will be identified by assigning code consists of two parts – identification code and verification code. The identification code contains a code of labeling goods position for a unified catalog of goods of the Russian Federation and a unique unit code. The verification code is generated by use of Russian cryptographic technologies.

According to the Regulation No. 791-p, the payment for one unit of labeling code will be charged upon its generation. However, the amount of such payment has not been adopted yet.

The Model authorizes the Ministry of Industry and Trade of the Russian Federation to coordinate the activities of the federal executive bodies and participants of goods traffic regarding the goods labeling by identification means and develop proposals to expand the List. In its turn, the Ministry of Finance of the Russian Federation shall procure the goods labeling with the regulatory framework while the Ministry of Telecom and Mass Communications of the Russian Federation controls the functioning of the Information System and activities of Information System operator.

We would also like to pay your attention that the experiment on the voluntary labeling of medicines was extended until 31 December 2018. The medicines labeling will become compulsory from 2020 onwards as a part of labeling regulation framework.

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