

Regulation (EC) No 273/2004 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 February 2004 on drug precursors (Text with EEA relevance)

Article 10

Powers and obligations of competent authorities

1 In order to ensure the correct application of Articles 3 to 8, each Member State shall adopt the measures necessary to enable its competent authorities to perform their control and monitoring duties, and in particular:

- a to obtain information on any orders for scheduled substances or operations involving scheduled substances;
- [^{F1}b to enter operators' and users' business premises in order to obtain evidence of irregularities;
- c where necessary, to detain and seize consignments that fail to comply with this Regulation.]

[^{F12} Each Member State may adopt the measures necessary to enable its competent authorities to control and monitor suspicious transactions involving non-scheduled substances, and in particular:

- a to obtain information on any orders for non-scheduled substances or operations involving non-scheduled substances;
- b to enter business premises in order to obtain evidence of suspicious transactions involving non-scheduled substances;
- c where necessary, to detain and seize consignments to prevent the use of specific non-scheduled substances for the illicit manufacture of narcotic drugs or psychotropic substances.

3 The competent authorities shall respect confidential business information.]

Textual Amendments

- F1** Substituted by [Regulation \(EU\) No 1258/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 20 November 2013 amending Regulation \(EC\) No 273/2004 on drug precursors \(Text with EEA relevance\)](#).

Changes to legislation:

There are outstanding changes not yet made to Regulation (EC) No 273/2004 of the European Parliament and of the Council. Any changes that have already been made to the legislation appear in the content and are referenced with annotations.

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Changes and effects yet to be applied to :

- Art. 10 omitted by [S.I. 2019/742 reg. 13\(10\)](#)

Changes and effects yet to be applied to the whole legislation item and associated provisions

- Signature words omitted by [S.I. 2019/742 reg. 13\(18\)](#)
- Art. 2(a) words substituted by [S.I. 2019/742 reg. 13\(3\)\(a\)](#)
- Art. 2(c) words substituted by [S.I. 2019/742 reg. 13\(3\)\(b\)](#)
- Art. 3(8)(c) omitted by [S.I. 2019/742 reg. 13\(4\)\(d\)\(ii\)](#)