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**PART 2**

**Ecodesign for Energy-Related Products**

**CHAPTER 4**

**HOUSEHOLD WASHING MACHINES AND WASHER-DRYERS**

**Application and interpretation**

**21.**—(1) Subject to paragraph (2), this Chapter applies to electric mains-operated household washing machines and household washer-dryers, including—

- (a) built-in washing machines and washer-dryers; and
- (b) machines that can also be powered by batteries.

(2) Nothing in this Chapter applies to—

- (a) washing machines and washer-dryers in the scope of Supply of Machinery (Safety) Regulations 2008;
- (b) battery-operated washing machines and washer-dryers that can be connected to the mains through an AC/DC converter purchased separately.

(3) In this Chapter and Schedules 9 to 12—

“mains” or “electric mains” means the electricity supply from the electricity grid of 230 ( $\pm$  10 per cent) volts of alternating current at 50 Hz;

“automatic washing machine” means a washing machine where the load is fully treated by the washing machine without the need for user intervention at any point during the programme;

“household washing machine” means an automatic washing machine which—

- (a) cleans and rinses household laundry by using water, chemical, mechanical and thermal means;
- (b) has a spin extraction function; and
- (c) is declared by the manufacturer in the declaration of conformity to comply with the Electrical Equipment (Safety) Regulations 2016 or the Radio Equipment Regulations 2017;

“household washer-dryer” means a household washing machine which, in addition to the functions of an automatic washing machine, in the same drum includes a means for drying textiles by heating and tumbling, and which is declared by the manufacturer in the declaration of conformity to comply with the Electrical Equipment (Safety) Regulations 2016 or the Radio Equipment Regulations 2017;

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“built-in washing machine” means a household washing machine that is designed, tested and marketed exclusively—

- (a) to be installed in cabinetry or encased (top, bottom, and sides) by panels;
- (b) to be securely fastened to the sides, top or floor of the cabinetry or panels; and
- (c) to be equipped with an integral factory-finished face or to be fitted with a custom front panel;

“built-in washer-dryer” means a household washer-dryer that is designed, tested and marketed exclusively—

- (a) to be installed in cabinetry or encased (top, bottom, and sides) by panels;
- (b) to be securely fastened to the sides, top or floor of the cabinetry or panels; and
- (c) to be equipped with an integral factory-finished face or to be fitted with a custom front panel.