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Council for Trade-Related Aspects of Intellectual Property Rights

## NOTIFICATION OF LAWS AND REGULATIONS UNDER ARTICLE 63.2 OF THE TRIPS AGREEMENT

FRANCE: ORDINANCE NO. 2019-1169 OF 13 NOVEMBER 2019
ON MARKS FOR GOODS OR SERVICES

<b>Notifying Member</b>	France

## Details of the notified legal text

Title	Ordinance No. 2019-1169 of 13 November 2019 on marks for goods or services
Subject matter	Trademarks
Nature of notification	[X] Main dedicated intellectual property law or regulation [ ] Other law or regulation
Link to legal text*	https://ip-documents.info/2022/IP/FRA/22 5438 00 f.pdf
Notification status	<ul><li>[X] First notification</li><li>[ ] Amendment or revision to notified legal text</li><li>[ ] Replacement or consolidation of notified legal text(s)</li></ul>
Previous notification(s) referred to	Not applicable

## Brief description of the notified legal text

Order No. 2019-1169 transposes Directive (EU) 2015/2436 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 16 December 2015 to approximate the laws of the Member States relating to trade marks and ensures that the Intellectual Property Code is compatible with Regulation (EU) 2017/1001 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 14 June 2017 on the European Union trade mark. The Order provides for certain amendments, including: the loosening of the graphic representation requirement for a trademark (allowing the registration of sound, multimedia and motion marks), the expansion of the existing rights that could be called upon to support opposition to trademarks, the expansion of the grounds for refusal of a trademark application, the establishment of an administrative procedure for trademark revocation and invalidity, changes to renewal procedures, and the expansion of the persons authorized to bring infringement actions.

Language(s) of notified legal text	French
Entry into force	10 December 2019; the date of the entry into force is the date of the entry into force of Implementing Decree No. 2019-1316 of 9 December 2019 on marks for goods or services
Other date	

## **Notification details**

Submission date of notification	18 July 2022
Other information	IP/N/1/EU/4; IP/N/1/EU/T/5 (Directive (EU) 2015/2436)  IP/N/1/FRA/8 (Decree No. 2019-1316 of 9 December 2019 on marks for goods or services - forthcoming)
Agency or authority responsible	

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