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What will happen to the EU product database (EPREL) after Brexit (1 January 2021)?

- All consumers will still have access to the 'open' section of the database
- GB's (Great Britain) market surveillance authorities will no longer have access to the 'closed' compliance section of the database

There will be changes for suppliers from the UK and the EU regarding the EU product database. Here is how it will affect suppliers of relevant energy-using products from the UK and the EU:

- In the EU or NI (Northern Ireland) markets, suppliers will have to enter the relevant information into the EPREL database
- Suppliers based in GB will need to access EPREL via an authorized representative or importer based in the EU
- Suppliers in NI will be able to access EPREL directly
- Products going to the GB market will not be required to enter information into EPREL from 1 January 2021

Suppliers and retailers must ensure the following for relevant energy-using products:

- Those that are placed on the GB market must comply with minimum UK Ecodesign and Energy Labelling standards
- Those that are placed on the EU and Northern Ireland markets must comply with the minimum EU Ecodesign and Energy Labelling standards

From 1 January 2021, products placed on the GB market must comply with the relevant UK legislation, which includes UK branding and English language text.

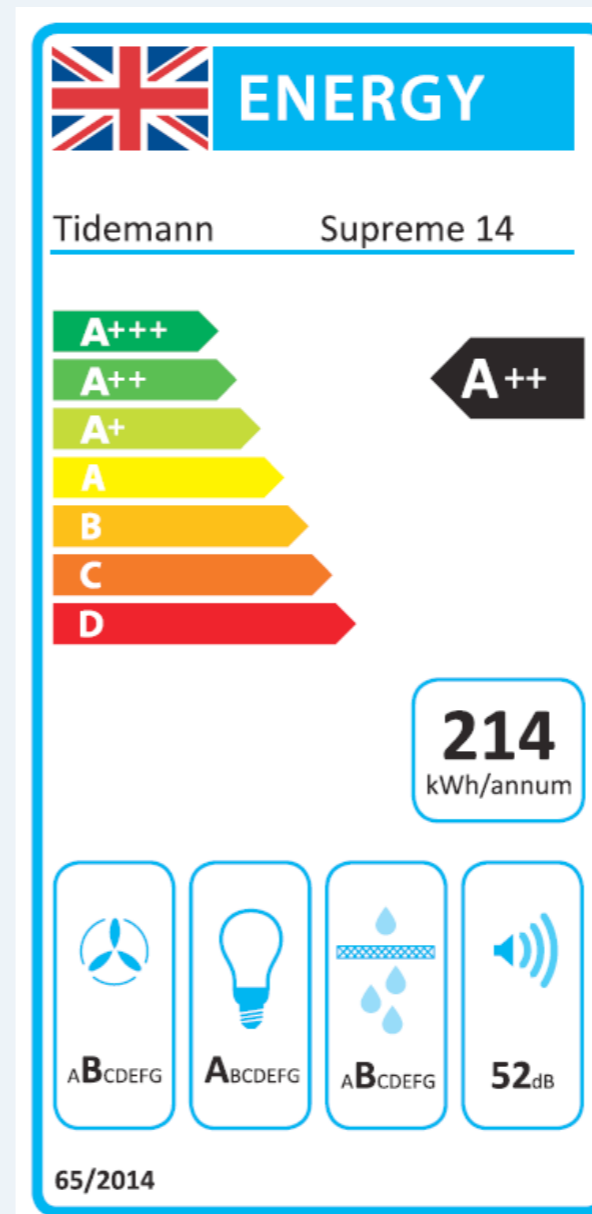
Where QR codes are present, they must link to the required product information on a publicly accessible website.

Products placed on the market before year-end 2020, with EU flags on their energy labels, may continue to remain in circulation until the end of 2021.

Products placed on the NI market must comply with the relevant EU legislation. This includes the EU flag and QR codes that link to the required product information on the EPREL database.

For the relevant Energy Label Generator for the new UK label click here:

<https://create-energy-label.service.gov.uk/categories/>



Which UK regulation to refer to for the Ecodesign and Energy Labeling?

The Ecodesign for Energy-Related Products and Energy Information (Amendment) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019.

The amendment covers the information and Labeling.

Some products will need to change to the new energy label (A-G) in the EU from 1 March 2021. These are:






- Dishwashers
- Washing machines and washer-driers
- Refrigerators, including wine storage fridges
- Electronic displays, including television monitors and digital signage displays

In GB the regulation for implementation of the change has not been done.

The possible change is currently out for public consultation and if the change is supported, GB officials have stated that a change in legislation might be reached before March 1st.



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