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## 1. What does the term “Triman” mean? What does “Info-Tri” mean?

The Triman symbol comprises a human figure symbolising a person carrying out a civic duty (safely throwing waste away) surrounded by arrows symbolising sorting and recycling.

Info-Tri is information that specifies the ways in which to dispose of waste from a product. In other words, it indicates to end-users the system to use when they want to dispose of a product. In practice, this term designates the block to the right-hand side of the Triman symbol.

## 2. What is the timetable for the new symbol?

According to Decree n°2021-835 of 29 June 2021, and following the validation of the sorting symbol by the authorities, companies have until 1 February 2023 to affix the new sorting symbol onto their products.

They have until the 1st August 2023 to sell their stockpile of products manufactured/imported before 1st February 2023.

## 3. Is the Info-Tri symbol a French or international symbol?

The Info-Tri symbol is French. To date, there is no equivalent symbol elsewhere.

## 4. Is the Info-Tri symbol internationally recognised? Can affixing it onto products intended for markets abroad pose a problem?

No. Foreign regulations are tolerant towards others foreign ones.

## 5. Is the Info-Tri symbol free of charge to use?

Yes. It can be used free of charge by all companies who are Refashion members.

## 6. Which products are affected by this new symbol?

The symbol concerns all articles covered with the Clothing, Household linen and Footwear EPR sector. The articles covered are listed in the Official Journal published on 21 August 2008. You can download the list [here](#).

Leather goods are not part of our EPR sector.

Clothing made from 100% leather and 100% plastic is also excluded. However, leather footwear is not excluded and is therefore included.

Category 1 personal protection clothing and footwear are included but categories 2 and 3 are not.

If in doubt, please refer to the list that can be downloaded and which specifies each product category.

## 7. Does the product classification system concerned by the Clothing EPR exist in English?

Yes. You can download the English version from our website [here](#)

## 8. Can the Info-Tri symbol be affixed on products that are not covered by the ERP system (unclassified products)?

We do not advise you to do this. Indeed the purpose of the symbol is to direct products to collection points. If it is affixed to these products it could disturb the resource.

## 9. Should I affix the REFASHION symbol when the CITEO one is already present?

Yes, you can affix both.

Since the AGEC law (French Anti-waste and Circular Economy Law), each ERP sector has its own Triman symbol.

A [Decree](#) entrusted the establishment of this new symbol to eco-organisations (take-back scheme operators).

[CITEO](#) is an eco-organisation (a take-back scheme operator) in charge of domestic packaging.

Refashion is an eco-organisation in charge of Clothing, Household linen and Footwear.

As Refashion is not a substitute for CITEO, our symbol can be added to theirs when an item of clothing is packaged.

## 10. Can a single Triman pictogram be followed by 2 blocks (Refashion and CITEO), one for the product and the other for packaging?

No. You can only affix the Triman symbol.

The AGEC law adjoins the Triman symbol and the information block. They form an inseparable, uniform block.

Therefore, if the clothing, household linen or footwear is packaged it will have 2 Triman symbols.

## 11. Do all old stockpiles from previous years have to be relabelled as from 1st August 2023?

Yes. As from 1st August 2023, all clothing, household linen and footwear products sold in France must carry the new Triman symbol.

## 12. Can I still sell products with the previous symbol?

Yes, until 1 August 2023. After this date, the sticker with the new sorting symbol must be affixed on products.

## 13. On which media can stickers be affixed?

The Decree n°2021-835 of 29 June 2021 does not specify onto which media the sticker can be affixed.

As such, it can be affixed either directly onto the product or onto the sewn label or onto the packaging.

## 14. If the goods that I produce and sell on the French marketplace come from another country, is it possible to import our goods in France without the Info-Tri symbol and affix this information when goods have arrived in France?

It is possible to import goods into France without the Triman symbol. This symbol is intended for end-customers and will therefore be controlled by the French DDPP/DGCCRF and not French Customs.

## 15. If I am a craftsman producing 'bespoke' articles or in small quantities, do I have to affix the symbol onto my products?

Within a circular economy system we recommend that you do this

## 16. Do second-hand articles have to carry the Info-Tri symbol?

Within a circular economy system we recommend that you do this

## 17. Are products that are sold in factory shops or outlets affected by this new symbol?

Yes. French Decree 2021-835 of 29 June 2021 does not distinguish between the distribution channels. Thereby as from 1 August 2023, all products present on the French market must carry the new symbol.

## 18. Where should the Info-Tri symbol be affixed?

The Info-Tri symbol must be affixed on:

- The product (for clothing, this means onto the sewn or removable label).
- Its packaging,
- Any documentation that accompanies it.

There is no order amongst the options. You are free to choose where to place the symbol.

## 19. Can a flyer containing all the sorting information in full be placed in the package with the articles that it contains (contents and container)?

Yes, it is possible to place a flyer with the sorting information, even if this is not the ethos of a circular economy. As long as the product is packaged this is possible, even if this causes more handling.

## 20. Is it possible to display goods in shops without the Info-Tri symbol and only to affix this once the sale has been validated, i.e. when the end-user pays at the till?

Yes, you can affix a sticker or a label before the goods are stacked onto the shelves or when being paid for at the till. The legal texts (article 15 of the AGECL law and Decree n° 2021-835) do not provide any details on this. All circumstances are valid.

Indeed, proving that a symbol has been affixed will only be assessed by the controlling authorities (DDPP/DGCCRF) in the shop. They will not monitor the presence of a symbol later on in the clothing trade.

## 21. Is it possible to affix the symbol on the sale receipt?

We advise against this for two reasons:

- The Info-Tri symbol must accompany a product,
- As from 1 January 2023 till receipts and vouchers will not systematically be printed.

## 22. Who is responsible for affixing the symbol on products purchased from stock which must be relabelled?

The responsibility lies with the marketer. It is the marketer who is responsible for correctly implementing the law.

## 23. What dimensions need to be respected for the symbol?

The whole of the logo (with the Triman pictogram, the initials FR and URL address, etc.) must measure 2.7cm minimum in width. The size is 2.7 cm minimum, minimum or stretched version of the horizontal or vertical logo (in a vertical position 2.7cm would be its height).

The minimum height is 1cm/10mm (in case of technical difficulties: 0.6cm/6mm). 0.6 cm/6 mm).

In no way whatsoever should the logo be distorted, and must respect a height-width homothety. If you enlarge or reduce the logo's size, both the height and width must effectively grow or shrink.

'Turnkey' logos are included in the elements that can be downloaded from our site.

## 24. Can the symbol be in colour or does it have to be monochrome?

The standard colour is black and white, and we recommend this.

You are free to roll out the symbol in colour. The important thing is to ensure that a contrast exists between the background and symbol in order to ensure that the symbol can be clearly read.

However, the symbol must remain monochrome. It is prohibited to use several colours.

## 25. Can I divide the symbol into several “pieces”?

No. The symbol cannot be divided up. It must stay in one uniform block regardless of the one you choose in the Guidelines.

Therefore you cannot affix the Triman on one side and the pictogram with instructions or URL on another side.

## 26. Can I change the pictograms provided?

No. You cannot create your own pictograms. The Ministry and the ADEME have legislated on the symbol's options. These are the only ones that you can find in the Guidelines and the pictogram file that can be downloaded on our internet site.

In addition you are not authorised to place 2 pictograms in the symbol (whichever ones they). However, you have the choice to either affix 1 by itself or the 3 together. You may not therefore for example mix a T-shirt and household linen.

‘Turnkey’ logos are provided amongst the elements that can be downloaded from our site.

## 27. Under which conditions is it possible to dematerialise the Info-tri symbol?

When the surface area of a product or its packaging is small (between 10 cm<sup>2</sup> and 20 cm<sup>2</sup>) or very small (less than 10 cm<sup>2</sup>) it is possible to dematerialise the sorting symbol.

## 28. If I choose to dematerialise the display what does this entail?

Firstly, not dematerialising the symbol means having to affix it to the product (sewn label, temporary label or sticker).

To dematerialise it you must have a website that shows all of your sold products. If you have an e-commerce website, this should pose a problem, although some brands do not sell their products present in shops on the website. If you do not yet have a website, you need to create one.

How does dematerialisation work?

- When the surface area of a product or packaging is between 10 cm<sup>2</sup> to 20cm<sup>2</sup>, the Triman must be affixed on the product or its packaging and the block may be displayed on the product file on the website.
- When the surface area is less than 10cm<sup>2</sup> and the product isn't accompanied by a document (user manual, instructions, etc. - which is the case for clothing), both the Triman and the block can be displayed on the product file on the website.

## 29. Where can I download an English version of the Guidelines?

To download the Guidelines, in French or in English, as well as the symbol (exe. format): [go to this page on our website](#).

## 30. Are the Guidelines published by the ADEME on 2014-5 up to date?

The guidelines published by the ADEME cover the former sorting symbol. These guidelines are no longer relevant. It is no longer available on the ADEME library's website as a downloadable deliverable. It is replaced by the each eco-organisation's guidelines.

## 31. What risks are run by not have the Info-tri symbol on the products?

Under Article L. 541-9-4 of the French Environment Code, "any obligations on information to be cited under articles L 541-9-2 and L 541-9-3 that are not met are open to an administrative fine, the amount of which may not exceed €3,000 per natural person and €15,000 for a legal person. "