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Consultation – proposal for revised criteria for Nordic Swan Ecolabelling of Panels and mouldings for interior use (generation 7)

Nordic Ecolabelling are revising the criteria for Panels and mouldings for interior use, and we hereby invite you to comment on our proposal. The consultation proposal is sent to a wide range of consultative bodies and the input will be used actively in the further work to tighten and improve the requirements. This is the second consultation period for Panels and mouldings for interior use, where comments from the first period (13.10.2022 - 09.12.2022) has been assessed and included in the preparation of the new proposal for criteria document.

The most important changes are:

- **The product definition**
 - The criteria only cover panels and mouldings for interior use.
 - The criteria now also include cross-laminated wood (CLT), glulam, wood plastic composite (WPC), textiles and wet room panels.
- **Acoustic boards** must have a minimum sound absorption class of A or B.
- **New raw material requirements** for textiles, plastics, WPC and aluminium.
- **Gypsum and mineral wool:** Tightened requirements for the proportion of renewable material.
- **Energy:** New and stricter requirements for energy consumption in the production of panels as well as the production of raw materials such as cement and mineral wool.
- **The chemical requirements** have been tightened in several ways. For example, there is a ban on using chemicals that are classified as environmentally harmful. And that the requirement for constituent substances now also includes CMR category 2 substances.
- **Emission of formaldehyde:** The requirement has been tightened.
- **Innovation:** New innovation requirements have been introduced to promote environmental measures.

Proposal for revised criteria for Nordic Swan Ecolabelling of Panels and mouldings for interior use are published on Ecolabelling Norway's website www.svanemarket.no where you also find the background document and the submission form. The proposed criteria have been prepared by representatives from the Nordic Ecolabelling offices under the leadership of Thomas Christensen. If you have questions to this consultation, please contact our environmental advisor Jørgen Flo at jfl@svanemarket.no or by phone +47 932 07 143.

We appreciate your comments on the proposed requirements. We kindly ask you to send them to us no later than **31.08.2023**, via the submission form on our website, by mail or by e-mail to post@svanemarket.no. All consultation comments will be reviewed, and a summary of the received comments will be available at Ecolabelling Norway.

Best regards

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