

Fire Safety Regulations 1988:

1. Product ranges covered by the Regulations
2. Products covered by the Regulations comprise six groups (A to F)
3. A) All types of upholstered seating including chairs, settees, padded stools and ottomans. Children's furniture, foot stools, sofa-beds, futons and other convertibles, bean bags and floor cushions, nursery furniture and upholstered items designed to contain a baby or small child. Domestic upholstered furniture that is supplied in kit form for self-assembly. Second-hand furniture, upholstered headboards, footboards and side rails of beds.
4. B) Furniture for use in the open air (garden and outdoor furniture) which is suitable for use in a dwelling (homes and caravans), upholstery in caravans (although not vehicles or boats). Cane furniture which includes upholstery.
5. C) Divans, bed-bases, mattresses, pillows, and mattress pads (toppers) (FILLING MATERIAL ONLY)
6. D) Scatter cushions and seat pads (FILLING MATERIAL ONLY)
7. E) Permanent covers for furniture (textiles, coated textiles, leather, etc) Loose and stretch covers for furniture. Covers for non-visible parts of furniture
8. F) Foam and non-foam filling material for furniture
9. All furniture and products in the above groups need to comply with the Regulations. The specific information and exceptions to each group are discussed separately in the FIRA guide.
10. The Regulations do not apply to furniture intended for export and furniture manufactured prior to 1950.

11. The Regulations do not apply to sleeping bags, bedclothes (including duvets), loose covers for mattresses (i.e. mattress protectors), pillowcases, curtains, and carpets. However, it is important to note that these products are covered under General Product Safety Regulations 2005 (GPSR).

G) If we procure the materials and fabric for our range of soft furnishings [make service], we will endeavour to obtain fabric type information and print it onto our labels, however this may not be guaranteed on all occasions.

H) If you procure and supply us with fabric materials to a specific measurement for our [make service], please be advised that it will be your responsibility to check if such materials are 'shrink resistant' before sending it to our premises. Materials cut to size will be from measurements given to us or taken from site visit.

I) Certain materials are suitable only for dry cleaning, these will be notified to you when identified for purchasing and if available at source.

J) When sending in materials for our [MakeOnly] service, please ensure they are clearly marked or labelled with your job reference, invoice number or your full name and return address.

K) Where you wish to supply us with your own designs for a [MakeOnly] service, the details of the design and measurements may be conveyed by drawings, photos, a sample or in writing.