

DECISION OF THE EEA JOINT COMMITTEE
No 70/2021

of 5 February 2021

amending Annex XIX (Consumer protection) to the EEA Agreement

THE EEA JOINT COMMITTEE,

Having regard to the Agreement on the European Economic Area (“the EEA Agreement”), and in particular Article 98 thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) Directive (EU) 2019/770 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 20 May 2019 on certain aspects concerning contracts for the supply of digital content and digital services¹ is to be incorporated into the EEA Agreement.
- (2) Directive (EU) 2019/771 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 20 May 2019 on certain aspects concerning contracts for the sale of goods, amending Regulation (EU) 2017/2394 and Directive 2009/22/EC, and repealing Directive 1999/44/EC² is to be incorporated into the EEA Agreement.
- (3) Directive (EU) 2019/771 repeals, with effect from 1 January 2022, Directive 1999/44/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council³, which is incorporated into the EEA Agreement and which is consequently to be repealed under the EEA Agreement with effect from 1 January 2022.
- (4) Annex XIX to the EEA Agreement should therefore be amended accordingly,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

Annex XIX to the EEA Agreement shall be amended as follows:

1. The following indents are added in points 7d (Directive 2009/22/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council) and 7f (Regulation (EU) 2017/2394 of the European Parliament and of the Council):
 - ‘ - **32019 L 0770**: Directive (EU) 2019/770 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 20 May 2019 (OJ L 136, 22.5.2019, p. 1),
 - **32019 L 0771**: Directive (EU) 2019/771 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 20 May 2019 (OJ L 136, 22.5.2019, p. 28).’
2. The following is inserted after point 7l (Directive (EU) 2015/2302 of the European Parliament and of the Council):

¹ OJ L 136, 22.5.2019, p. 1.

² OJ L 136, 22.5.2019, p. 28.

³ OJ L 171, 7.7.1999, p. 12.

‘7m. **32019 L 0770**: Directive (EU) 2019/770 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 20 May 2019 on certain aspects concerning contracts for the supply of digital content and digital services (OJ L 136, 22.5.2019, p. 1).

The provisions of the Directive shall, for the purposes of this Agreement, be read with the following adaptation:

References to Union law shall be understood as references to the EEA Agreement.

7n. **32019 L 0771**: Directive (EU) 2019/771 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 20 May 2019 on certain aspects concerning contracts for the sale of goods, amending Regulation (EU) 2017/2394 and Directive 2009/22/EC, and repealing Directive 1999/44/EC (OJ L 136, 22.5.2019, p. 28).

The provisions of the Directive shall, for the purposes of this Agreement, be read with the following adaptation:

References to Union law shall be understood as references to the EEA Agreement.’

3. The text of point 7e (Directive 1999/44/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council) shall be deleted with effect from 1 January 2022.

Article 2

The texts of Directives (EU) 2019/770 and (EU) 2019/771 in the Icelandic and Norwegian languages, to be published in the EEA Supplement to the *Official Journal of the European Union*, shall be authentic.

Article 3

This Decision shall enter into force on 6 February 2021, provided that all the notifications under Article 103(1) of the EEA Agreement have been made*, or on the day of the entry into force of Decision of the EEA Joint Committee No 172/2019 of 14 June 2019⁴, whichever is the later.

Article 4

This Decision shall be published in the EEA Section of, and in the EEA Supplement to, the *Official Journal of the European Union*.

Done at Brussels, 5 February 2021.

*For the EEA Joint Committee
The President*

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The Secretaries

* Constitutional requirements indicated.

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