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Amendment 1

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Proposal for a directive

Article 13 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

1. A unit packet of cigarettes shall have a cuboid shape. A unit packet of **roll-your-own** tobacco **shall have the form of a pouch, i.e. a rectangular pocket with a flap that covers the opening. The flap of the pouch shall cover at least 70% of the front of the packet. A unit packet of cigarettes shall include at least 20 cigarettes. A unit packet of roll-your-own tobacco shall contain tobacco weighing at least 40 g.**

Amendment

1. A unit packet of cigarettes shall have a cuboid shape **and include at least 20 cigarettes**. A unit packet of **any other** tobacco **for smoking shall be packaged in a cuboid or cylindrical composite can or have the form of a pouch i.e. rectangular packet with a flap that covers the opening, and shall contain tobacco weighing at least 40g.**

Or. en

Justification

The original Proposal does not take into account the requirement for the composite can for specific uses of fine-cut loose tobacco i.e. 'make-your-own' cigarettes and pipes. The goal of this revision is to make the uptake of smoking much less attractive to young people, but the composite can is usually purchased by an older generation and owing to its weight and volume is more expensive than the pouch and therefore less financially affordable for young people.

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Amendment 2

Rebecca Taylor

Proposal for a directive

Article 13 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

2. A cigarette packet can be of carton or soft material and shall **not** contain an opening that can be ***re-closed or re-sealed after the opening is first opened, other than the*** flip-top lid. The flip-top lid of a cigarette packet shall be hinged only at the back of the packet.

Amendment

2. A cigarette packet can be of carton or soft material and shall contain an opening that can be ***in the form of a*** flip-top lid. The flip-top lid of a cigarette packet shall be hinged only at the back of the packet.

Or. en

Justification

This would allow for resealable inner security features, such as inner liners, which can help in combating counterfeiting, but would not hinder in any way the visibility and integrity of the health warnings on the pack.

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Amendment 3

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Proposal for a directive

Article 18 – paragraph 1 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

1 a. Where appropriate, Member States may impose marketing restrictions on nicotine-containing products similar to those which apply to the marketing of tobacco products.

Or. en

Justification

Member States should be able to apply certain restrictions to the marketing of nicotine containing products, so as to prevent for example manufacturers from using marketing techniques aimed at minors such as advertising near schools, or promoting their products in a way which glamorises them, thus indirectly appealing to minors.