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The Commission has not proposed new requirements for solid fuel local space heaters and has not taken any final position on this matter.

All ecodesign measures are established in a transparent process with extensive stakeholder participation including the discussion of working documents. The current review started in 2023 with a Consultation Forum meeting. Since then, the Commission has engaged with stakeholders to gather information and their opinions. Meetings are still ongoing with relevant associations, manufacturers and certification laboratories.

The Commission is preparing an impact assessment for possible ecodesign measures for solid fuel local space heaters. This is assessing the technical and economic aspects as well as the environmental ones. The ecodesign Directive requires that ecodesign measures do not have a significant negative impact on the affordability or the life cycle cost of the products. Concerns over technical feasibility and cost will therefore be discussed and addressed in future consultations. The Commission will also carefully assess any implications for consumers, notably regarding the affordability or the life-cycle cost of such products. In addition, as for all ecodesign measures, any requirements will only concern new appliances, not those already installed in citizens' homes.

While recognising the value of sustainable biomass as an affordable and secure energy source, Article 7 of Regulation (EU) 2015/1185¹ requires the Commission to review the measures for solid fuel local space heaters, including an assessment of air pollutant emissions.

¹ <https://eur-lex.europa.eu/eli/reg/2015/1185/oj/eng>