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**Technical Standards for the Refill Mechanism of Electronic Cigarettes**

*Issued pursuant to*

*Section 3, Paragraph five, Clause 7 of the Law on the Handling of Tobacco Products, Herbal Products for Smoking, Electronic Smoking Devices and Their Liquids*

1. This Regulation prescribes the technical standards for the refill mechanism of electronic cigarettes refilled by means of a refill container.

2. It shall be authorised to place refillable electronic cigarettes and refill containers on the market if the refill mechanism meets one of the following conditions:

2.1. refill mechanism entails the use of a refill container possessing a securely attached at least 9 millimetres long nozzle which slots comfortably into the opening of the tank of the respective electronic cigarette and is narrower than the respective opening of the tank, and possessing a flow control mechanism that emits no more than 20 drops of nicotine-containing liquid per minute when placed vertically and subjected to atmospheric pressure at 20 °C (± 5 °C);

2.2. the refill mechanism operates by means of a special connection system (docking system) which releases nicotine-containing liquid from the refill container into the tank of the refillable electronic cigarette only when the refillable electronic cigarette and refill container are connected.

3. Refillable electronic cigarette and refill container shall include instructions for refilling with schematic presentations.

4. The instructions for use of the refillable electronic cigarette and refill container with a refill mechanism referred to in Sub-paragraph 2.1 of this Regulation shall specify the width of the nozzle or width of the opening of the tank that enables the consumer to identify the compatibility of a refill container and electronic cigarette.

5. The instructions for use of the refillable electronic cigarette and refill container with a refill mechanism referred to in Sub-paragraph 2.2 of this Regulation shall specify the types of special connection system (docking system) with which the respective electronic cigarette and refill container is compatible.

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