Following objections raised by the EU Commission, a draft amendment to EN 50419:2005, (commonly known as the crossed wheelie bin standard) is currently under consultation, the main points of which are:

- Minimum height for the combined crossed wheelie bin/solid bar symbol shall be 7 mm.
  - Giving a minimum height for “a” of 3.33 mm and for the crossed wheelie bin of 5 mm.
- Where the marking cannot be placed on the product (due to its size or function) it shall be printed on the packaging, instructions and warranty.
- Re-aligning with the WEEE Directive’s requirements for the crossed wheelie bin symbol.
- The producer’s identification (e.g. brand name) and the date marking (sold bar or date code) shall be visible on the product and may be placed under a removable cover.
- For portable products this cover shall be removable without the use of a tool (unless a tool is required for safety reasons, for example certa in types of toys).

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