

**Question for written answer E-000207/2024
to the Commission**
Rule 138
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Subject: Discharged and discarded ammunition at shooting ranges

The European Chemicals Agency has proposed that the use of lead ammunition may continue at gunshot shooting ranges if they are able annually to collect at least 90 % of discharged lead pellets, and at rifle shooting ranges if they are equipped with bullet traps or sand traps, as defined by best practice.

1. What is the Commission's view on whether the lead in ammunition discharged at shooting ranges – such as shotgun pellets and rifle bullets – that is left to accumulate after it has served its intended purpose constitutes a scrap metal for the purposes of the Regulation on the Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation and Restriction of Chemicals?
2. If this lead does not constitute a scrap metal, can the Commission clarify the manner in which its status is defined?

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