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1. Introduction

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In accordance with the applicable regulations, the European Commission assigns an identification number to each notified body. A list of notified bodies along with their identification numbers and the scopes of their notified activities is published by the European Commission.

This document defines the conditions and rules for the use of the identification number by clients of the Notified Body EU-Cert Sp. z o.o. to minimize misunderstandings and ambiguities that could lead to a reduction in the effectiveness of the conformity assessment process and jeopardize the credibility of the Body.

The identification number management policy has been developed based on:

- Directive 2014/90/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 July 2014 on marine equipment and repealing Council Directive 96/98/EC,
- Directive 2014/68/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 15 May 2014 on the harmonisation of the laws of the Member States relating to the making available on the market of pressure equipment,
- Regulation (EU) 2016/425 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 9 March 2016 on personal protective equipment and repealing Council Directive 89/686/EEC,
- Requirements of Decision No 768/2008/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 9 July 2008 on a common framework for the marketing of products,
- EA-2/17 INF:2020 Guidelines EA document on accreditation for notification purposes.

EU-Cert Sp. z o.o. maintains and updates on its website www.eucert.pl the rules for the use of the identification number along with CE marking by clients of the Notified Body EU-Cert Sp. z o.o.

2. Provisions concerning the use of conformity marks and the identification number of the notified body

The manufacturer refers to the identification number of the notified body if it is involved at the production control stage. The identification number of the body is intended for use in conjunction with the conformity mark and on declarations of conformity prepared by the manufacturer.

The conformity mark should have a minimum size of 5mm and can be scaled, provided that:

- the readability of individual elements is maintained,
- proportions are maintained,
- the graphic form is not distorted.



Figure 1 Minimum size and proportions of the CE conformity mark

2.1. Conformity assessment according to Regulation (EU) 2016/425 of the European Parliament and of the Council

The CE mark can be placed on the recognized product and the declaration of conformity can be issued only if, along with the EU type examination, a conformity assessment of production under the supervision of the notified body is carried out, according to Article 17 of Regulation (EU) 2016/425.

The CE mark (Fig. 1) must be placed on the product. The minimum letter size is 5 mm. If the appropriate modules of the procedure require the entry of the notified body, next to the CE mark, the identification number of this body must be provided (NB 2984, when it is on EU-Cert). The CE marking must be placed on each personal protective equipment produced in a visible, legible, and non-removable manner for the expected period of use of this personal protective equipment. However, if this is not possible due to the properties of the product, the CE marking may be placed on the packaging.

2.2. Conformity assessment according to Directive 2014/68/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council (PED)

Products, after undergoing conformity assessment, should be marked with the CE mark (Fig. 1), which is placed in a visible, easily legible, and non-removable form on the tank or the nameplate attached to the tank in such a way that it cannot be removed. The marking consists of the CE letters, after which the identification number of the notified body responsible for EU verification or EU supervision (NB 2984, when it is on EU-Cert) follows. It is prohibited to simultaneously place other markings that, in terms of meaning and form, could mislead third parties. Any other markings may be applied provided they do not reduce the visibility and legibility of the CE marking.



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2.3. Conformity assessment according to Directive 2014/90/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council



Figure 5 The Conformity Mark, referred to as the "Steering Wheel"

where:

- xxxx The identification number of the notified body supervising production (NB 2984, when it is on EU-Cert)
- yyyy the digits of the year in which the mark was placed.

The conformity mark (steering wheel) may be placed on the recognized product, and the declaration of conformity can be issued only if, in addition to the EU type-examination, a conformity assessment according to module D, E, or F specified in Annex B to the directive mentioned above is carried out under the supervision of the notified body, or a conformity assessment according to module G is conducted.

3. Restrictions on the Use of the Notified Body Identification Number

- The client may use the identification number of the unit along with the marking applied for the Directive/Regulation only when the certificate is valid.
- The client is obligated to use the identification number of the unit along with the conformity mark in such a way as to not suggest that the assessment refers to products that are outside the scope of the conformity assessment performed by EU-Cert.
- In the situation where EU-Cert considers the use of the mark unacceptable, the client is obligated to immediately cease using the conformity mark along with the EU-Cert identification number.
- The client may not transfer the right to use the identification number along with the marking to other entities.
- The unit's number should not be placed on business cards or stamps of personnel who have obtained certification.
- The identification number along with the appropriate marking should not be placed on advertising materials in a way that suggests the product being advertised is approved by EU-Cert.

Monitoring the Use of the Identification Number

EU-Cert Sp. z o.o. supervises the use of the identification number. This supervision occurs during evaluations, audits, supervisory audits, inspections, and supervisory inspections. In cases where EU-Cert Sp. z o.o. identifies misuse of the conformity mark along with the identification number, it takes actions aimed at initiating corrective actions by the client, and in extreme cases, it may suspend or revoke the issued certificate.

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EU-Cert Sp. z o.o. reserves the right to pursue its rights through legal means if entities unlawfully use the identification number of the unit.

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